

# OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES AND ENTRY FORM

Applications are due by Saturday March 26th, 2011



Submit application by mail or fax to 815.642.4836

## PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MR. \_\_\_ MRS. \_\_\_ MISS. \_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear Proof of about this contest?

\_\_\_\_ Newspaper \_\_\_\_ Driver's License \_\_\_\_ Radio/TV \_\_\_\_ College ID

\_\_\_\_ In-store poster or flyer \_\_\_\_ Birth Certificate \_\_\_\_ Other

## FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY:

Application Accepted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Application Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant Accepted Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant notified (Date/Time): \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant Expectance: Y / N

Entry Deposit (Total & Date received): \_\_\_\_\_

NO refunded(s)

## QUESTIONNAIRE - All Questions Must Be Answered

1) Has a family member ever entered or competed in this contest?

Please circle. YES NO

If yes, please provide their name.

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2) Do you have any serious physical or mental condition, injury, limitation or illness that can or will be affected by your participation in this contest?

Please circle. YES NO

If yes, please describe in complete detail, citing dates and or any ongoing problems.

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3) Are you taking any medication that you must take on a regular basis?

Please circle. YES NO

If yes, please describe.

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4) Do you have any allergies?

Please Circle. YES NO

If yes, please describe in detail what you are allergic to.

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5) How would you feel about being on TV or being interviewed by the media?

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6) Why would you be a good candidate for this contest?

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7) How will you prepare for the contest and what will your strategies be?

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8) Schedule of availability (for media interviews, etc...only if necessary) Please submit the following with your application: - Proof of age (e.g. copy of driver's license, state ID, birth certificate, etc.)

#### **RULES & WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

**1. ELIGIBILITY:** Contest is open to all Arizona residents 18 years or older. Employees, owners, operators of Von Hanson Meats and Spirits or any of their immediate families are not eligible to enter.

**2. TO ENTER:** READ CAREFULLY THIS OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES AND ENTRY FORM FOR VON HANSON MEATS AND SPIRITS GREAT AMERICAN BBQ AND BEER FESTIVAL BRATWURST EASTING CONTEST INCLUDING THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY PROVISIONS. *Complete and sign this document below. All entry forms become the property of Von Hanson Meats and Spirits*

**3. CONTEST RULES: *Only ten contestants allowed.*** There will be a series of three rounds. A winner from the first two rounds will advance to the final round. Contestants will compete for a \$100 gift card to Von Hanson Meats & Spirits. Finalists will be selected by Von Hanson Meats and Spirits on Saturday, March 26th at 2:00 pm to at Von Hanson Meats and Spirits booth at the Great American BBQ & Beer festival event. Time, date and place are subject to change without notice. Contestants must have a nice clean appearance for the event. If anything the contestant is wearing is deemed inappropriate or unattractive the contestant may be subject to disqualification. Contestant must be present and registered at Von Hanson Meats and Spirits registration table by 3:30 pm on Saturday, March 26th for final instructions. Upon registering you will receive a badge and will be instructed to wait in a designated area. A contestant will forfeit his or her place should he or she fail register by 3:30 pm on March 26th and be continuously present for the duration on the contest. Contestants will also forfeit his or her place if they leave the waiting area after they register. The object is to eat as many bratwurst as possible within the allotted time: 3 minutes. Contestants may eat either sitting or standing in their designated area using hands to eat. Contestants will be allowed to drink water during the competition. Contestants must wait for the starting signal to begin eating and may not touch any brat or utensil prior to the starting signal. Contestants must stop eating and must promptly place their hands down on the table or at their side at the ending signal. Contestants may not put additional portions in their mouths after the ending signal, but will be allowed 15 seconds to swallow any bratwurst already in mouth. If a contestant throws up or regurgitates, he or she will automatically be disqualified. Judges will be on hand to assure adherence to contest rules, tally the number of brats eaten, monitor the "no throw up or regurgitating" rule, and to disqualify contestants who fail to adhere to the rules. Winners will be determined by counting the number of brats and parts of brats eaten. In the event of a tie, after a brief interval, 1 minute and 30 second eat-offs will take place until a winner is selected.

Grounds for disqualification include:

- False or incomplete entry form or liability waiver
- Any health risks that could jeopardize the contestant's health or wellbeing
- Under the influence of any substance
- Appearance is deemed inappropriate or unattractive
- Starting prior to the start signal.
- Continuing to eat after the ending signal.
- Failure to completely eat a slider before beginning to eat another slider.
- Throwing up or regurgitating.

**Note: Von Hanson Meats and Spirits reserve the right to disqualify any contestant for any reason without explanation.**

#### **4. PRIZE AWARDS:**

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

- **Contestant who eats the most bratwurst within the allotted time of 3 minutes will receive a \$100.00 Gift Card to Von Hanson Meats and Spirits**
- **All other prizes, if any, are to be announced.**

Von Hanson Meats and Spirits reserves the right to substitute prizes of approximately equal value for any listed prize at its sole discretion. No transfer or prize substitution by the contest winners is allowed. All federal, state and local taxes are the sole responsibility of the winner. It is the responsibility of the winners to comply with all instructions as to the pick-up, receipt, arrangements for or use of any prize won and failure to do so on a timely basis may affect the winner's right to claim or use the prize. All winners and participants agree to the use of their name, voice, likeness, and city/town/village for advertising or trade purposes and to cooperate reasonably in any effort to promote or publicize Von Hanson Meats and Spirits or this contest. Apart from the prizes associated with being selected as a winner, Von Hanson Meats and Spirits shall not be obligated to compensate you in any way for such publicity.

#### **5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISKS AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY:**

Contestant acknowledges that there are risks of personal injury, illness and possible loss of life, and risks of damage to or loss of personal property, which may result from participating in this contest. Contestant voluntarily enters Von Hanson Meats and Spirits Company's Bratwurst Eating Contest and assumes all of these risks. Contestant, as a condition of entry, agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Von Hanson Meats and Spirits Company and affiliated companies, their vendors, their advertising, promotion and public relations agencies, co-sponsoring companies and their affiliates and agencies, and all officers, directors, employees and agents of the aforesaid entities, from any and all claims and costs, including attorneys' fees, relating to, arising from or in connection with participation in this contest or the receipt or use of any prize. In so doing, contestant releases and indemnifies the aforesaid entities and individuals from liability for injuries or damages of any kind arising from or in connection with participation in this contest or the receipt or use of any prize. In no event shall Von Hanson Meats and Spirits Company be liable to a contestant for acts or omissions arising out of or related to the contest or that contestant's participation in the contest.

**6. FINAL AUTHORITY:** Von Hanson Meats and Spirits has sole and complete discretion regarding all contest related matters. All decisions regarding qualifications, selection or disqualification of a contestant/s or winner/s shall be subject to the sole and complete discretion of Von Hanson Meats and Spirits Company. You can be disqualified for any reason at any time.

**7. CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE:** I certify that the information provided is correct and that I have carefully read, understand and accept the terms of the Von Hanson Meats and Spirits' Bratwurst Eating Contest Official Contest Rules and Entry Form. As condition of competing in the finals, I agree not to join, promote, support or publicize any competitive eating group or organization, other than Von Hanson Meats and Spirits Bratwurst Eating Contest, for a minimum of 1 year. My signature indicates my understanding and assumption of the risks and my voluntary participation in this contest.

**WAIVER OF LIABILITY/PERMISSION/MEDICAL RELEASE FORM**

This form is necessary for any contestant of the Von Hanson Meats and Spirits Company's Bratwurst Eating Contest. Please complete both sides of this form. You will not be allowed to participate without this signed form.

Name of contestant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address:

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless Von Hanson Meats and Spirits Company, trustees, employees, agents and assigns from any and all liability, damage, claim of any nature whatsoever arising out of or in any way related to my/participating in this contest.

Participating in any activity is an acceptance of some risk of injury. I agree that my safety is primarily dependent upon my taking proper care of myself. I assume all risks related to the activities. In case of an emergency, I do hereby authorize a representative of Von Hanson Meats and Spirits to consent to any medical treatment or care deemed advisable. I have read and agree to comply with the rules and regulation of the Von Hanson Meats and Spirits Bratwurst Eating Contest.

My signature below indicates that I have read, understood and freely signed this agreement. I expressly agree that this agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with Arizona laws, and I consent to the jurisdiction of said state. I agree that this waiver and release is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted under Arizona laws so that if any portion hereof is held invalid, the balance shall continue in full legal force and effect.

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Signature of Contestant

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Date