

Kids Que Safety Procedures



The American Royal Barbecue Contest welcomes you as a contestant in the 14th Annual Junior World Series of Barbecue. Please carefully read and review the following safety procedures. Each contestant and supervisor are to abide by all Safety procedures provided by American Royal Association.

1. All contestants will cook in a designated area on grills provided. Grills are property of the American Royal Association and need to be left at the cook-site once complete. Grills will be lit by the American Royal team. Grills are not to be lit by the Kids Que contestant or supervisor.
2. If you are having issues with your grill/heat, do not shake the grill, touch the outside of the grill and/or the grill grate.
3. When handling the grill – only use the handles on sides of the grill and top of the hood
4. Make sure grill is on a flat surface. If your grill does not appear on a flat surface, please notify a member of the American Royal team for assistance.
5. Do not move grills for any reason. Grills are placed in a particular location due to distance between grills/contestants and fire safety. If you have an issue with your grill placement, please notify a member of the American Royal team before the contest begins.
6. Keep water near cooking at all times
7. Always use utensils while placing and pulling proteins from the grill. Do not use hands.
8. Contestants must wash hands before and after handling uncooked meat.
9. Grills will be the only equipment provided. Contestants are requested to bring oven mitts, service gloves Utensils, hot pads, and any other barbecuing equipment the contestant/supervisors feel necessary to compete
10. Do not leave utensils on the grill as they will heat and can cause burns.
11. Gloves should always be worn while cooking, adjusting air vents, adding charcoal and handling the thermometer or lid.
12. Always use proper tools that are appropriate and intended for the purpose of barbecuing. Always clean your grilling tools and utensils after each use to avoid the risk of cross contamination.
13. Once you have completed the contest, please leave the grill in its place. Do not move grills while they are hot or attempt to remove ash until it has completely burned out and the grill is cool

Additional Safety Tips for Grilling

- **NEVER** use gasoline as a starter fluid or accelerant for charcoal grills.
- **ALWAYS** use an approved lighter/starter fluid for charcoal grills.
- Have a fire extinguisher located in the grilling area.
- Store full or empty propane tanks in a well-ventilated area away from the house or any habitable structure.
- Store propane bottles away from potential sources of flame such as furnaces, water heaters or any appliance with a pilot light
- Do not wear loose fitting clothes while operating a grill
- Do not use gas or charcoal grills indoors or under porches, awnings, tents, or other coverings
- Never dump hot coals where they might be stepped on or be a fire hazard. Never dump ashes or coals before they are fully extinguished.
- Keep the cooking area clear of flammable vapor and liquids, such as gasoline, alcohol, etc. and combustible material.

Charcoal Grill Tips

- After soaking your coals with lighter/starter fluid, wait for a minute before lighting the coals. This allows the heavy concentration of vapors to disperse.
- When using lighter/starter fluid, place the container well away from the grill before attempting to light the coals.