



Southern BBQ Network

Championship Points System (CPS)

Competition is the driving force among cook teams and it is necessary to have a method of determining the most successful. SBN first created a points system to qualify cook teams for a “best of the best” contest held annually in Georgia. However, by the time our system was instituted, the Georgia contest was no longer being held, and our system had no ultimate goal other than bragging rights. In 2014, the Town of Moncks Corner approached SBN to hold a contest at the end of the year in which the top twelve teams in SBN points would be invited to compete for a major cash prize package, and determine the SBN Champion for 2014 and 2015. In 2016, without a sponsor to provide a championship prize, the SBN decided to honor our principle founder, Al Werts, by awarding the Al Werts Trophy to the team that won our points championship for the year.

In 2017 SBN was approached by the Berkeley Lions Club to expand their event by having SBN co-sponsor their event with them at Moncks Corner. The event was to have 15 teams who qualify from the past year to compete for the title of SBN Champion. The event for the first year was held on January 5th and 6th of 2018.

Teams can qualify in one of several ways. First by winning the Grand Championship (GC) at one of the SBN sanctioned events held during the past fiscal year (August 1st to July 31st). To qualify as GC each event must require teams to prepare no less than two of the designated meat categories. If the GC declines the invitation or has received an invitation from an earlier event that year, the invitation shall pass to the Reserve Grand Champion (RGC). Should the RGC decline, or has received an invitation from an earlier event that year, then the invitation shall pass to the next team in that event with the next highest score. Second, if there are less than the necessary invitees from the events in the past year, the remainder of the cook teams will be selected from the point’s leaders on the Championship Points System for that year.

Any additional category organized separate from the event would not qualify for competition points.

Should a contest request sanctioning by SBN and has not allowed for open cook team registration will be considered a “closed contest”. Cook teams participating in the contest will not receive competition points or an invitation to the annual championship contest.

SBN reserves the right to exclude an invitation for an event.

Points Accumulation

Points are accumulated in three ways in any given contest.

1. Points are given according to where a team places in a given category:
 - 250 Points are given for 1st place in any category for which the contest organizer gives an award, hereafter called “contest meat”. Points are scaled down according to the following table:

1 st ---- 250	11 th --- 95	21 st --- 45
2 nd ---- 225	12 th --- 90	22 nd --- 40
3 rd ---- 200	13 th --- 85	23 rd --- 35
4 th ---- 175	14 th --- 80	24 th --- 30
5 th ---- 150	15 th --- 75	25 th --- 25
6 th ---- 140	16 th --- 70	All the remainder receive 25 points.
7 th ---- 130	17 th --- 65	
8 th ---- 120	18 th --- 60	
9 th ---- 110	19 th --- 55	
10 th --- 100	20 th --- 50	

- First place through 5th place includes a 25 point differential from 6th through 10th is a 10 point differential; and 11th through 25th is a 5 point differential. For any contest with more than 25 teams, no further differential is applied (e.g. 30th place receives 25 points, just like 25th place).
2. Grand Champion (GC) and Reserve Grand Champion (RGC) points are given for the top two teams who accumulate the most points across all contest meat categories. GC is awarded 250 points and RGC is awarded 225 points.
 3. Teams will receive points based on 0.1 points per number of teams in a contest. For example, a contest with 25 teams, each team will be awarded 2.5 additional points.
 4. Example #1: For a team, who competes in a two meat contest with 25 teams, who takes 1st place in pork, 3rd place in ribs and 1st place overall will receive a total of 702.5 points (i.e. 250 for pork, 200 for ribs, 250 for Grand Champion and 2.5 points for the number of teams).
 5. Example #2: A team in a contest with 18 teams and three meats: pork, ribs and chicken. The team finishes 6th in pork; 1st in ribs; and 2nd in chicken and 8th overall. The team will receive 456.8 points (140 points for pork, 90 for ribs, and 225 for chicken and 1.8 per the number of teams).