

El Paso Home Brewing Competition - 2018



Rules & Regulations

The first annual Ale Paso Home Brewing Competition, an AHA/BJCP Sanctioned Competition, where brewers will compete for a chance to have their beer produced and distributed commercially carrying the Ale Paso Trademark Name and contain artwork from a locally featured artist each year. The El Paso competition is set to occur in April, and to be brewed at a Texas Facility.

Our judges are made up of professional beer judges, professional brewers, certified cicerones, as well as a few hand selected members of the local beer industry. These are the people that brew, buy, drink, talk, and live for craft beer. Brews are judged not only on style, but with a focus on commercial appeal and wow factor.

Two recipes will be considered each year and one finalists will be selected by the judges to brew a limited batch of their beer at the sponsoring Brewing Facility.

The winner of the 2017 Ale Paso Homebrew Challenge may be invited to brew a production sized batch of their winning beer sponsoring facility. Their beer will be launched to the public during the week of the El Paso Beer Week and be may be featured at the Sun City Craft Beer Festival and most importantly will be available on tap at select bars and restaurants, as well as in kegs at local craft beer stores regionally.

KEY DATES:

Bottles MUST be received between April 12, 2018 and April 18, 2018. Bottles received after the submission deadline will not be judged.

Entries will be judged April 19th. Winners will be contacted and announced at the Sun City Craft Beer Festival or sooner. Winner will be contacted.

GENERAL RULES:

We will judge up to 50-70 entries in the El Paso Homebrewing Competition, an AHA/BJCP Sanctioned Competition.

Entries received after we reach 70 submissions will not be judged, and bottles will not be returned. We will post an update as we near the total number of submissions.

Each Contestant may enter up to 2 submissions, but no more than 1 submission per style category.

Judging will be done in accordance with 2015 BJCP Style Guidelines. Submissions WILL NOT be accepted in the following categories: 23 (European Sour Ale), 27 (Historical Beer), 28 (American Wild Ale), 31 (Alternative Fermentables Beer) and 33 (Wood Beer). See <http://www.bjcp.org/stylecenter.php> for Style Guidelines. Judges are selected from regional breweries and from the el paso beer community. Please contact us if you would like to be a judge.

Beer Scoresheets will be returned for all judged entries. Please visit the BJCP website (<http://www.bjcp.org/>) for more information on the judging process, including the style guidelines, copies of the scoresheet and beer fault list.

Entries will be limited to residents of El Paso County only.

El Paso judges will select 1 "Best in Show" winning entries.

All entrants agree to assign any necessary intellectual property associated with a winning entry for the purpose of re-brewing their recipe. (See below for more details.)

Entrants are required to provide the names of all individuals involved in developing and/or brewing the recipe entered.

All entrants must ensure that they homebrew in accordance with the laws and regulations of their location.

All decisions by Organizers will be final. Organizers reserve the right to determine, in their sole discretion, if an entry is not of sufficient quality to be worthy of a prize.

PRIZES:

Best in Show

The brewer of the Best in Show winning entry may be invited to brew a batch on a small patch brewing system under the guidance of the owner of the system.

In addition:

- (i) If the batch is distributed locally the brewer(s) of the Best in Show winning entry will be invited to our initial kick off location. Winners will provide their own transportation to and from the event.

HOW TO ENTER:

1. Visit <https://www.alepaso.com> and follow the instructions online to fill out and submit an online registration form. All entry forms must be complete and submitted before submitting bottles. Entrants must bring a printed copy with their bottles at time of submission.
2. Bottle Identification Forms are online or can be found on the last page of this document. These Bottle Identification Forms MUST be printed, filled out, and submitted along with the entrant's beer bottles. The Bottle Identification Forms should be secured to the entry bottles with a rubber band. We highly recommend protecting the identification forms with a re-sealable plastic bag so the writing remains legible until the beer can be judged.
3. Entrants must submit 3 bottles per entry to 'location TBD' during business hours by the submission deadline. Bottles that arrive after the submission deadline will not be judged, will not be returned, and the entry fees will not be refunded.
4. If you have questions on the entry process, please send them to:

info@alepaso.com

SUBMISSION OF BOTTLES:

1. Each bottle shall be between 10 and 12 fluid ounces in volume.
2. Each bottle shall be no more than 2.75 inches in diameter and no more than 9 inches high.

3. Each bottle shall be free of any identifying marks, including any ink, paper, paint, or other labeling. Any markings, lettering or graphics on the caps shall be obliterated with a permanent black marker. No swing-top bottles allowed.

4. Bottles must be received with the corresponding Bottle Identification Forms secured via rubber band. DO NOT attach the Bottle Identification Forms with glue or tape.

5. Bottles not meeting these submission requirements will be disqualified. Disqualified submissions will not be returned, and entry fees will not be refunded.

6. Any packages arriving COD or with postage due will be returned to sender.

7. It is your responsibility to ensure that the bottles arrive on-time, at the proper location, and in good condition. The American Homebrewers Association has packing and shipping

suggestions here, under Part III:

<http://www.homebrewersassociation.org/competitions/national-homebrewcompetition/rules-and-regulations/>

8. DO NOT SHIP SUBMISSIONS VIA THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE. Please use a commercial shipper, and be sure to review the shipper's rules and regulations. We are not responsible for submissions that do not arrive by the submission deadline or are damaged on arrival.

FROM THE LAWYERS:

The beer submitted MUST NOT have been brewed on equipment used to brew or manufacture beverages for any commercial purpose, including at any brew-on-premises establishments. Competition is open to non-professional brewers only. Failure to abide by these rules WILL result in disqualification.

Failure to complete the entire entry form may result in disqualification. Employees of Ale Paso, LLC. are not eligible to enter.

US residents only.

Must be 21 years old or older to enter.

All submissions become the property of Ale Paso upon delivery.

Ale Paso reserves the right to disqualify any entry for failure to adhere to the eligibility or entry requirements.

No compensation will be paid to any entrant in conjunction with the commercial brewing of any prize-winning entry. By entering the competition, you represent and warrant that only individuals listed on the entry form were involved in the development of the submitted recipe and the brewing of the submitted beer, and that all such individuals are in-fact listed on the entry form. Failure to list all such individuals will result in disqualification and forfeiture of any prize.

Entrants hereby grant Ale Paso, in the event that their submission is selected for a prize, the following: (i) a right to use their name and likeness and (ii) a license to the recipe associated with the winning entry. Winner(s) of the Best In Show prize(s) shall assign, and hereby agree(s) to assign, all intellectual property associated with the winning entry, including but not limited to the recipe (all ingredients and entire process). Ale Paso reserves the right to modify the winning recipe as/if necessary in order to brew the beer in a commercially-viable amount and/or process. Failure to execute an assignment of rights in accordance with the foregoing terms will result in forfeiture of any prize.



<http://www.bjcp.org>

AHA/BJCP Sanctioned Competition Program

BOTTLE IDENTIFICATION FORM



The American Homebrewers Association
www.beertown.org

BOTTLE ID FORM . . .

Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Name of Beer _____

Category Entered _____

Subcategory Entered _____

Homebrew Club _____

ATTACH ONE FORM TO EACH BOTTLE

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