



# 2019 GLBBQA Team of the Year Rules COMPETITORS SERIES

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The Great Lakes Barbecue Association (GLBBQA) recognizes competition teams that have been top performers throughout the barbecue season through the Team of the Year (TOY) program. This document outlines how the program works and the rules that apply.

### 1. ELIGIBLE COMPETITIONS

The Board of Directors of the GLBBQA have designated only the competitions below, to be eligible for GLBBQA Competitor Series Team of the Year points.

Current GLBBQA Competitor Series Events approved for 2019:

- 4/20 Woodpile
- 5/18 Railroad Days – Durand
- 5/18 St Helen ORV Summer Kick-off
- 7/20 Wayland
- 7/20 Bordertown BBQ Brawl - Sault Ste Marie
- 8/03 Westland Blues, Brews, and Barbecue Backyard
- 8/10 GWA BBQ Festival and Backyard Cook-off
- 8/10 Oak Park BBQ Battle
- 9/13 Silver Lake Apple Barbecue Festival Backyard
- 9/28 Sturgis
- Sept Niles
- Nov (TBD) Woodpile

A competition year is defined as a calendar year from January 1st through December 31st.

### 2. TEAM ELIGIBILITY

In order to be eligible for GLBBQA Competitors Series TOY points, a team must cook a minimum of 4 (four) eligible competitions dates in the State of Michigan.

A team may enter as many competitions as they wish, but only their top scores from their top 4 eligible competitions they cook will be totaled to determine the winner.

In order for a competition team to have its scores count towards any of the GLBBQA Competitors Series TOY honors, the head cook that signed the contest application for the team **must be a paid member of GLBBQA** when the contest takes place and must be present at the competition. Any scores accumulated while the listed head cook is not a member, by a



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vote of the Board of Directors or non-payment of dues or any other reason, will not count towards GLBBQA Competitors Series TOY. If the head cook who signed the contest application cannot attend the contest and a replacement head cook is needed, the head cook who signed the application may appeal to the GLBBQA Board of Directors for their team's scores to count for GLBBQATOY.

TOY scores are tied to team names and not individual head cooks. TOY scores are not cumulative for head cooks. A head cook is only allowed to register one team name to count for GLBBQA Competitors Series TOY. The head cook must register their team to participate (See below).

### 3. TEAM REGISTRATION

A head cook **must** register his or her team with the GLBBQA before their first cook in an eligible competition in order for the team scores to be included in any of the 2019 GLBBQA Competitors Series TOY calculations and rankings. If a head cook **does not** register their team, that team's scores **will not** count towards any GLBBQA Competitors Series TOY rankings. Registration is **free** and only takes a couple minutes.

How to register:

- Email Chairperson, Bert McLain at [pbjsbbq@gmail.com](mailto:pbjsbbq@gmail.com) with the Subject line of "Competitors Series Entry"
- Once it's verified that your dues are up to date, you will receive a confirmation email.

Teams may only be entered into one GLBBQA TOY program. Teams signed up for the GLBBQA Pro TOY are not eligible for this competitor series.

An entrant may sign up at any time during the competition season assuming that there is enough competition for Team Eligibility (see 2). The entrant will not be awarded any points for any events competed in prior to signing up and receiving a confirmation email.

### 4. SCORING

Only PORK RIBS will be counted in this series. If the competition is a multi-meat competition, how you score in the other categories will NOT gain you points.

Points Awarded for Overall Rib Finish:



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1st Place	=	20 points
2nd Place	=	18 points
3rd Place	=	17 points
4th Place	=	16 points
5th Place	=	15 points
6th Place	=	14 points
7th Place	=	13 points
8th Place	=	12 points
9th Place	=	11 points
10th Place	=	10 points
11th - 20th Place	=	5 points
21st & below	=	0 points

**Example:** Your team places 2<sup>nd</sup> in ribs, 18 points for GLBBQA Competitors Series TOY would be recorded.

## 4. TIE BREAKER

5th contest finish

6th contest finish and so on

If still tied OR there isn't a 5th contest, results are determined by a coin-flip

## 5. Prize Pool:

At time of rules approve, the Prize pool is TBD

In addition to cash prize and trophy, the overall winner of the 2019 Competitors Series will receive a free entry in the 2020 GLBBQA Comp 101 class

## 6. RANKINGS & AWARDS

TOY rankings will be posted periodically on the GLBBQA Facebook page and also the GLBBQA Facebook Members Only Group. All TOY awards will be presented at the 2019 Award Banquet and Annual Meeting designated by the Board of Directors.

1st Place GC Overall	\$ To Be Determined by the Board & Trophy
2nd Place RGC Overall	\$ To Be Determined by the Board & Trophy
3rd Place Overall	\$ To Be Determined by the Board & Trophy



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### **7. ANNUAL RULES REVIEW**

Each year the Board of Directors votes on any changes to the TOY program. The GLBBQA welcomes and encourages feedback from its members on the TOY program, including suggestions for changes. All feedback and suggestions will be gathered throughout the year by the TOY Chairman who will present them to the Board of Directors for discussion at the annual meeting, prior to the BOD voting.

### **8. MID-YEAR RULES CHANGES**

Mid-year rules changes are strictly prohibited without express notification of the GLBBQA members and a full vote of the BOD. In addition, mid-year rules changes are limited to necessary clarifications or simple error corrections.

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