



# 2022 CARDBOARD BOAT RACE RULES

## TEAMS & RACING FORMAT:

- Teams consist of 2 to 4 members; however only 1-2 members can be in the boat for the race.
- Team members must be 12 years old and older.
- Team members in the boat must wear a life jacket.
- Lineup and Inspections will begin at approximately 6:30 pm. Race will begin at approximately 7:00 pm.
- Race must begin and end with the 2-person crew intact.
- Swimming and/or pulling the boat will result in disqualification.
- Judges reserve the right to divide entrants into heats, depending on the number of vessels.
- 100-meter races will be timed to determine winner with fastest speed.
- Awards will be presented for: speed, team spirit and most creative design

## BOAT DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION:

- Boats must be made ONLY of cardboard and duct tape. NO reinforced cardboard tubes, no liners, tarps or coated cardboard.
- Cardboard cannot be sealed with any paints or sealants.
- Boats must be made BEFORE THE RACE and will be inspected by judges.
- Team members must provide both the duct tape and cardboard boxes for their boats.
- Boats may be a maximum width of 60" (5ft) and a maximum length of 84" (7ft).
- The Hull of the boats must be completely enclosed, or permit the crew to remain fully on top of the vessel (no legs & feet can be used to propel your boat). No raft or surfboard styles.
- Boats must be propelled using arms or cardboard paddles.
- Paddles must meet the same construction requirements as the boat (cardboard and duct tape only). No electrical power to propel the boat will be permitted.
- The boat's passenger area must not be enclosed above the occupant's shoulders, so not to interfere with escape should the vessel begin to sink.
- Boat design is left to the builder's imagination.
- Decorations are allowed and encouraged provided they are not used as structural or flotation elements.
- Crew costumes are encouraged
- Teams are not allowed to reinforce or adjust their boat in any way after the event has begun.
- There will be a pre-race inspection, if any illegal items are discovered, the boat will be disqualified.

**\*\*ANY RULE NOT SPECIFICALLY COVERED ABOVE WILL BE LEFT TO THE DISCRETION OF THE JUDGES\*\***