

2018 Cardboard Boat Regatta Rules & Information (page 1)

Please read carefully! Boats that do not comply with rules may race but will not be eligible to win.

Rules for Building an Eligible Boat:

- Boats must be made entirely from cardboard, no more than 3 layers thick. They must not be bonded to any other material including, but not limited to, vinyl or wax (similar to what is used in packing cases).
- The boat may **NOT** be covered in plastic sheeting, fiberglass or other kind of resin, tape, epoxy glue or other “multi-part” glues or varnishes or other adhesive.
- Joints and seams **only** may be taped and/or glued. You may use glue, sealant, rubber, or contact cement, paint, or tape. Tape or sealant may not extend more than 2 inches to either side of seam.
- **NO** metal, wood, Styrofoam or other types of foam, or plastic may be used.
- Boats may not exceed 16 feet in length and may not exceed 10 feet in height.
- All boats must be inspected at check in. Event officials reserve the right to disqualify boats for violations of the above rules.
- Have fun and use your imagination!

Race Rules:

- Each boat may be entered in a maximum of two (2) race categories. A registration fee must be paid for each race category entered.
- If your boat sinks or falls apart, you are disqualified from the race and should exit the water as soon as possible.
- Boats must be controlled with paddles – no motors or flippers. Paddles will be provided by the park.
- No participant may interfere with or harass another participant. Poor sportsmanship will result in disqualification.
- All participants must wear a personal flotation device (PFD) approved by the Park Authority. PFD's will be provided.
- Final **Survivor race** is for boats that are still sea-worthy and **did not win** an earlier race category. Sea-worthiness will be determined by event officials. If you are not participating in the Survivor race, please move your boat out of the way.

Race day Schedule: All boats must be dropped off and carried to the boat staging grounds (on or near the beach) by **9 a.m.** This is necessary so that boats can be inspected, placed into the heat line-up, and reviewed by judges for design categories—all before the races begin. Boat inspectors will evaluate boats for size requirements and use of proper materials.

Boat Drop-off and Check in	8 – 9 a.m.	Captains (or adult sponsor) only come to Race Information Tent.
Boat inspection and judging	9 – 10:30 a.m.	During this time, stick by your boat in case the inspectors or judges have questions. And the better to show off your team spirit!
Boat Design Awards Presented	10:45 – 11:00	Prizes will be given out to one winning boat in each design category.
Boat Races	11:00 – 2:00	Winners will be announced and prizes awarded at the end of each category race. Results will be posted at Race Information Tent.
OTHER ACTIVITIES	10 a.m. – 8 p.m. 3—8 p.m.	Mini-golf and Food Concessions open Boat rentals available: Pedal Boats, Canoes, kayaks
Regatta T-shirts Available for Purchase at the Race Information Tent on Race Day		

Judging Categories *(do not list on entry form; judges will decide if your boat wins one of these categories)*

- Most Likely to Float • Titanic (most likely to sink) • Best Costume (most creative attire and boat)
Team Spirit (most spirited team) • Pride of the Regatta (most spectacular cardboard boat entry)

Race Categories:

- Ages 14 & Under Ages 15 and Over Adult & Child (one adult, 3 kids max)
School Groups Scouts and Civic Groups School-Age Child Care (SACC)

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For questions or more information, please call 703-569-0285, TTY 711

Please mail checks (payable to FCPA) or credit card information and completed forms to:
Lake Accotink Park, 7500 Accotink Park Road, Springfield, Virginia 22150

Or fax to 703-653-1332

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM FOR EACH BOAT YOU ARE REGISTERING

Today's Date: _____

Contact Name: _____ Boat Name: _____

If representing a group, name of group: _____

Race Category (Choose up to two from list on page 1/reverse): 1. _____ 2. _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

T-Shirt Size (one free shirt per boat per race category): Adult _____ / Youth _____

Payment Amount (circle one):

	Entering One Race Category	Entering 2 Race Categories
Payment received on or before June 1	\$20	\$40
Payment received on after June 1	\$30	\$60

Visa or MasterCard Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Please sign....

"I have read and I agree to the event rules on page 1/reverse." _____ Date: _____

Incomplete registration forms or forms without payment cannot be accepted.

**See reverse side/page 1 for Rules for Building an Eligible Boat,
Race Rules and Race Day Schedule**