

## Card Boat Race Rules

### Safety

1. Your structure of the vessel cannot interfere with your crew making a hasty exit if your boat sinks. Everyone must have a clear exit from the vessel.
2. All participants must wear personal floatation devices (PDFs) throughout the race. All participants must provide their own personal floatation device.

### Boat

1. Design of your boat is up to you.
2. The only materials to use for building your boat: cardboard, duct tape, adhesive, water based paint.
3. Only cardboard, or corrugated cardboard may be used. Cardboard may not have any wax, resin or vinyl coating.
4. Wood, plastic or plastic wrap, fiberglass, metal, Styrofoam or other materials that would aid in floatation or make the boat more rigid are prohibited.
5. Duct or clear tape, liquid nail adhesive, and contact or cement are ok.
6. Tar, wax, silicone, fiberglass resins, epoxy glues, staples, nails, clamps and screws are prohibited.
7. Decorations may be made of any material but cannot help keep the boat together or afloat.
8. Boats may be painted and sealer must be dry before the boat enters the water.
9. Boats are subject to inspection and may be disqualified for not meeting any one of the stated rules.

### Race

1. Race course consists of two laps on the SportsPlex pool. ( Teams must paddle their boat down and back.
2. Boats can be propelled by oars, paddles or "convenient body part". Oars or paddles may be constructed of cardboard or the real thing.
3. Each team can have 2-4 persons.

### Awards

1. Prior to the races, boats will be judged and prizes awarded for the following categories: Most Original Design, Innovative Construction, Best Decorated, Best Team Spirit, Funniest.
2. During the races, each event will be timed and awards given to the fastest time in each class. Classes consist of: 12 & under , 13 & older, and Family.
3. There will also be a "Titanic Award" in each class for the most spectacular sinking.