

# Tenby Chase Swim Club Cardboard Regatta



Rules:

## Boat Design & Construction:

- Boats must be made BEFORE THE RACE.
- **The bottom 6 inches of the boat (which is the approximate water line) must be made ONLY of brown cardboard and duct tape. Duct tape may only be used on the cardboard joints, under the water line. You cannot cover the entire hull in duct tape.**
- **Cardboard below the 6-inch waterline, cannot be sealed with any paint or sealants.**
- **Decorations: Above the waterline, boats may contain non-brown cardboard and or other materials as long as they are attached by tape. Water color based decorative paint is permitted above the waterline.**
- NO reinforced cardboard tubes or wax-coated cardboard. Only broken-down cardboard boxes
- Duct tape may be of varying colors for creativity but must have come manufactured in said color.
- Boats may be a maximum width of 60" (5ft) and a maximum length of 84" (7ft).
- Boats must permit the crew to remain fully on top of the vessel (You are not permitted to have dangling extremities).
- The boat's passenger area must not be enclosed above the occupant's shoulders so as to interfere with escape should the vessel begin to sink.
- Boats must be propelled by the use of paddles. **Teams must supply their own paddles.**
- Boat design is left to the builders. Let your imagination take over; make your boat look like a race car, flying saucer, dragon, etc. Crew costumes are permitted.
- Boats may be disqualified at the pre-race inspection if not constructed to the above specifications

## Teams & Race Format

- Two (2) team members must be in the boat to paddle.
- Team members who will paddle the boat must be 6yrs or older and be able to swim or wear a personal floatation device.
- The race must begin and end with the two person crew intact.
- Swimming and/or pulling the boat will result in disqualification.
- Teams will start from the shallow end. No push starts. Teams will navigate to the buoy rope and return back to the starting point.
- Judges reserve the rights to divide entrants into heats, depending on the number of vessels.
- (If applicable) Time from heats will determine placement for finals. The fastest four (4) times from heats will race for the Championship. An Adult heat will be permitted for those participants 18 and older.
- Awards for speed, team spirit and boat design and a booby prize will be presented.

\*Any rule not specifically covered above will be left to the discretion of the Judges.

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