



—REGATTA RULES OF ENGAGEMENT—

1. All teams are welcome with a maximum of five (5) team members. Team members may sign up for one team only. They may not serve on a second boat team. Entry form must be submitted NLT Friday, 7 Nov 2025.
2. Design and construct a boat capable of carrying two (2) team members, a captain and a first mate, in a race of approximately 50 yards along the shallow shore of the base beach.
3. All materials will be provided (five sheets of cardboard, 48" X 96", two rolls of duct tape, one box cutter). All boats will be made entirely of the corrugated cardboard and duct tape provided. No other materials are allowed for building the boat. The entire hull, super structure, and seating must be made entirely of cardboard. Each team will be permitted to use markers or paint (spray paint is ideal) for decorating and a squadron or unit flag for flying if desired. Teams may decorate their boat with decorative signage as long as it does not aid in the flotation of the boat. The bottom of the boat may not be covered by tape, crayons, wax based products, enamel paint(s), or anything else that could aid in the flotation of the boat.
4. Maximum length of each boat is 8 feet.
5. Materials will be issued on the beach and the 5-member team will have three (3) hours to build their boat on site. Picnic tables and pavilions in the area cannot be used for boat building. May bring tarp or other material to construct on.
6. The passenger area of your boat must not be permanently enclosed above the shoulders of the occupants. For safety reasons, each person must be visible while the boat is in the water.
7. Swimming or paddling on a surfboard made of corrugated cardboard is not an option.
8. Boats must be free of sharp edges, pointy objects, or anything else that could be a menace to other contestants. No bumping, jostling, or otherwise attacking other boats will be allowed. Avoid other boats whenever possible.
9. Boats will be propelled by two paddles provided at the competition.
10. Team members may assist the captain and first mate getting in the boats, but must leave the water prior to the start of the race and must remain out of the water during the entire race or the team may be disqualified.
11. In order to officially complete the race, both the captain and first mate must be in their boat for the entire race. Legs must be inside the boat at all times.
12. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place awards will be given to the fastest time across the finish line. If the finish line cannot be crossed, an award may be given for the longest afloat.
13. All occupants of the boat must be 18 years old or older, able to swim, and must wear a life-jacket (*will be provided*), properly fastened, while in the boat. Must bring own towel.
14. All boats are subject to a technical inspection. All team boats will be inspected for compliance with these rules. Teams will be disqualified and ineligible for any prize if they are found to not be in compliance with these rules.
15. **Good Luck!**