UConn Avery Point Annual Cardboard Boat Race

Construction Material & Rules

• The ENTIRE boat must be built from cardboard & duct tape. NO wood, plastic,

rubber, inflatable devices, Styrofoam, fiberglass or plastic, etc.

• Duct tape may be used to reinforce seams.

• Pretreated cardboard such as waxed cardboard is allowed. No paint or varnish

is allowed.

• Fastening material is to be duct tape only. NO caulking compounds, two-

part/mixed adhesives, glues or epoxy mixtures or coatings are allowed.

• Hull wrapping in duct tape is allowed.

• Boats must be propelled by the use of hands and/or paddles. NO electrical,

gasoline, benzene, propane or other chemical or electrical propulsion

systems are permitted.

• Decorations are allowed and encouraged provided they are not used as

structural or flotation elements.

• Crew costumes are encouraged.

• Design is left to builder(s). Let your imagination take over.

• NO surfboard style boats are allowed. Boats must be enclosed, or permit the

crew to remain fully in the vessel (without dangling extremities).

• The crew compartment CANNOT be enclosed so as to interfere with escape.

• If any illegal items used in construction are discovered during the pre- or post-

race inspection, the boat will be disqualified.

**JUDGES DECIDE ON THE INTERPRETATION OF THE RULES.**

Participant Rules

• Every crew member must wear a personal flotation device (PFD).

• During competition, crew must be IN the boat, not towing it, or holding it

between their legs, swimming, or allowing the life jacket to provide the flotation of the vessel.

• NO pets can occupy a boat during competition.

• Throwing water on another boat is reason for disqualification, unless said

water comes from the incidental splash of a paddle.

• Contestants are expected to maintain the decorum and dignity expected of a

yachtspersons.

• Sunken or discarded boats must be disposed of in designated trash receptacle.

THIS IS A FUN EVENT!!! ANY BEHAVIOR THAT IS DEEMED TO BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE EVENT

OR OTHER PARTICIPANTS WILL RESULT IN TEAM DISQUALIFICATION.

**If you have any questions please call for clarification Randall 860.405.9014 or randall.paterson@uconn.edu**