

2019 Nanticoke River RECYCLED CARDBOARD BOAT REGATTA

Presented by the Reclaim Our River: Nanticoke Series partners

Rules & Regulations

1. Boat design is the builder's choice, let your imagination reign supreme.
2. Participants must provide proof that their cardboard is recycled/reused, using pictures and/or signed & dated statements documenting procurement.
3. A minimum of 50% of the boat's volume must remain as part of the boat when raced. Failure to comply results in a 20-second penalty in each race category entered.
4. An all-white 4 in. x 8 in. space must be provided on both sides of the boat's bow for displaying your boat number, which will be assigned on race day.
5. All participants must wear a Personal Floatation Device (PFD) & closed-toed shoes before boarding their boat, and they must remain on at all times while in/on the water. Participants must provide their own PFD and paddling equipment.
6. Judging for the Pride of the Fleet, Most Whimsical, and People's Choice awards will happen before all races begin. Judging for the Team Spirit award happens before and during each race.
7. The Fastest Time award will be given in each of the 5 participant categories (Individual, Family, Youth, Teens, & Organizations/Businesses). A maximum of 3 boats per category will race at one time, with "heats" conducted for categories of large participation.
8. Participants/boats can race in multiple categories. Please notify the Race Chairman prior to the 1st race start time with the number of teams you will have and in which races they will be paddling in. Boats registered in multiple races will pay the full registration fee for the 1st race, and a \$5/race fee for each additional race.
9. The Titanic Award will be given for the most spectacular sinking (intentional sinking results in a DQ).
10. Participants must ensure their "pit area" is completely cleaned prior to departure after the race. All boats and building materials must be removed from the event area.
11. All boats will be inspected prior to racing and may be disqualified if found in violation of any above rules.

Allowed Construction Materials

- Recycled/reused corrugated cardboard of any thickness
- Hulls painted with any "one-part" paint
- Joints & seams may be glued and/or taped with caulk, duct tape, contact cement, rubber cement, or household glue
- Screws/metal fasteners may be used during construction but must be removed prior to racing
- Decorations of any material that do not support or reinforce the boat's structural integrity

Prohibited Construction Materials

- Bonded and/or coated cardboard
- Cardboard tubes, wood, metal, foam, or any other materials that aid in floatation or make the hull rigid
- Sandbags or similar materials used for ballast
- Epoxy glues, fiberglass resins, tar based substances, & "multi-part" varnishes/paints
- Hulls wrapped/covered in plastic, duct tape, flex seal, or any other material
- Any type of motorized paddling/propulsion device

All rules are subject to change. Participants will be notified if last minute changes are made.
Contact matt@delnature.org or 302-422-0847 with any questions.