



DREXEL UNIVERSITY - RECREATIONAL ATHLETICS

Leadership ~ Development ~ Community ~ Teamwork ~ Sportsmanship

I AM A DRAGON

REC RECYCLE REGATTA - RULES

CARDBOARD BOAT REGATTA RULES

Registration

- Registration and inspection will be on-site, beginning 1 hour prior to start of the event.
- Teams must consist of all full-time students or faculty/staff, validated by a Drexel ID.
- Proper registration includes the registration form and a signed waiver by each participant that will be in the water.

Race Rules

- Each boat must have a designated Captain plus 1 crew member for a total of 2 participants per boat.
- A maximum two oars are allowed per boat. Oars **must** be used to advance the boat.
- All boats start at one end of the pool and must race 25 yards to the other end of the pool.
- All participants must remain inside the boat to advance position in pool.
- Boat's integrity must remain intact at end of race to be considered finished.
- Any boat and/or crew not ready to race at the designated time will be disqualified.
- Each boat must pass technical inspection before racing. See below for regulations.
- Participants must attempt to retrieve their boat — or its remains — from the water, as feasible.
- A participant may not compete in more than one crew.
- Foul play or non-sportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated and will result in immediate disqualification.
- Bracket will be completed on site.
- Boats must be fully intact, as per discretion of Rec Athletics staff, to compete in addition heats

Safety Rules

- The passenger area of the boat must not be permanently enclosed above the shoulders of the occupants. Each occupant must be visible while the boat is in the water from pool deck vantage point.
- Boats must be free of sharp edges or anything that could pose a danger.
- All participants must be able to swim.
- Every participants will wear a life jacket, provided by the Athletics Department
- Participants must enter water/boat feet first

Construction Regulations

- Boat dimensions: must be no longer than 10 feet and no wider than 5 feet. Crew must be visible, not enclosed. Sides cannot rise above crews' shoulders.
- Any thickness of corrugated cardboard is permitted, but waxed cardboard is not permitted.
- No cardboard tubes allowed
- Only paper tape, or duct tape may be used. Tape may only be used on seams, joints or patches. **DO NOT WRAP THE HULL IN TAPE, PLASTIC, SHRINK WRAP OR ANY OTHER MATERIAL.**
- Cardboard cannot be sealed with any paint or sealants.
- Duct tape may be of varying colors for creativity, but it must have come manufactured in that color
- Caulking may be used, but only on seams and edges, but must be dry for 48 hours.
- Permanent markers or other decorative items may be used to visually enhance the appearance of the vessel provided they do not affect its durability or performance and are above the waterline. No water soluble inks may be used.
- Styrofoam or any other flotation-type foam is not allowed.
- Oars must be constructed within the same guidelines as the boat.
- Violators will be stripped of any trophies.