

2021 GSC Venturing Cardboard Boat Regatta Rules

1. Boat design and construction

- a. Boats must be made before the day of the race (30 minutes will be given at the event for last minute needs)
- b. Boats must be made ONLY of cardboard, duct tape and glue. NO reinforced cardboard tubes, only broken-down cardboard boxes
- c. Cardboard cannot be sealed with any paint or sealants
- d. Duct tape may be of varying colors for creativity
- e. Boats may be a maximum width of 60" (5 ft) and a maximum length of 84" (7ft). There is no maximum height requirement
- f. Boats must be completely enclosed, or permit the crew to remain fully on top of the vessel
- g. Boats must be propelled by the use of cardboard paddles and/or hands
- h. Paddles must meet the same construction requirements as the boats (cardboard, glue and duct tape only)
- i. If any "illegal" items used in construction are discovered during the pre – or post – race inspection, the boat will be disqualified from the contest

2. Race Format

- a. Boats will need to be designed to carry up to two individuals (as long as you follow COVID-19 guidelines); Crews are able to choose whether they want one or two people inside their boat
- b. Each person on a boat is required to wear a PFD (Personal Flotation Device), which will be provided by event staff
- c. Teammates who are not in the boat may help push the boat away from the shore at the beginning of the race and pull it back onto land

3. Boat Judging

- a. Boats will be judged on their creativity as part of the pre-race activities.
- b. Boats will be judged by their speed in the race (obviously)

4. Have fun! (This is Venturing, after all!)