



2019 Friends of Golden Pond Recycled Regatta

Official Rules

WHAT YOU CAN/CANNOT USE TO FLOAT YOUR BOAT

Materials are open to pre-used materials that float. Use your imagination to find mediums to create a boat. Materials are limited to those that will not be harmful to the lake.

The bulk of your boat should be made from reused or recycled materials. Material suggestions include:

- Recycled (preferred) or new cardboard; boxes, sheets, tubes - check with local business for their castoffs.
- Plastic or cardboard soda, milk or ice cream cartons up to one gallon or 2-liter in size and completely sealed with tape or glue per Fastening Materials guidelines (all materials must float and be clean)
- Foam swimming “noodles”
- PVC, CPVC, or ABS pipe up to 1 1/2" in diameter, or wood no bigger than 1 x 2s. NO MORE than a total of 24 linear feet of such materials combined. All pipe joints, pipe connects, and pipe ends must be capped and thoroughly sealed with heavy-duty or all-weather PVC cement so they float.
- Use your imagination to find other materials that float.

You are not limited to the above list, but boats that violate the spirit of the competition will be disqualified. If in doubt, ask.

Materials excluded from use are, but not limited to, the following:

- ABSOLUTELY NO STYROFOAM (white, beaded expanded polystyrene). Extruded polystyrene foam (such as used in building materials) is acceptable.
- NO metal or plastic staples, metal of any kind, clamps, nails, screws, etc., are allowed.
- Plastic tarps/sheeting/bags or other materials that could entangle and endanger the crew should you sink.
- Actual boats
- Logs
- Appliances
- Coolers
- Bathtubs
- Anything that does NOT float on its own

The final call on materials will be at the event. You may be asked to remove materials if they are deemed harmful to the lake.

FASTENING MATERIALS—WHAT YOU CAN USE TO HOLD IT ALL TOGETHER

- Waterproof glue or adhesives. Do not use hot glue.
- Liquid nails adhesive
- Latex paint
- Varnish



- Acrylic plastic cement
- Spray adhesives

You can **NOT** use the following materials:

- Duct Tape
- Masking Tape
- Metal or plastic staples, clamps, nails, screws, etc

FINISHING MATERIALS—WHAT YOU CAN USE TO MAKE A SPECTACULAR BOAT

The structural materials listed above can be utilized to create everything from large-scale extravagant forms to three-dimensional details. Carve or cut intricate designs into polystyrene, or use the milk cartons or cardboard to turn your boat into a work of art—be as creative as you like.

Paint is the only material you can use to embellish your boat other than the structural materials listed above. Be aware that all spray paints, and most other paints other than acrylic paint, will dissolve polystyrene. Acrylic paint is generally suitable for covering all of the structural materials listed above except PVC, CPVC, and ABS pipe. Most spray paints will cover the pipe. Test your paint on the materials before you begin embellishing your boat to ensure that the paint won't peel and that your boat won't dissolve!

Boats with peeling, flaking, or chipping paint will be disqualified.

PROPULSION METHODS—WHAT YOU CAN USE TO MOVE YOUR BOAT

You may use only non-motorized, human-powered methods of moving your boat: paddle wheels, a pedaling mechanism (floatable materials only), canoe and kayak paddles, oars, sails masts no more than 6' above the lowest point of the boat. The means of powering your boat may be commercially made, but homemade means extra judges' points. For example, make a paddle from a found object, or carve it yourself. Pre-cut sails are allowed. Material restrictions do not apply to propulsion methods—just make absolutely certain that it floats!

Canoe and kayak paddles will be available to borrow at the event if needed.

RULES —WHAT YOU CAN AND CANNOT DO

- Every crew member must wear a properly fitted and Coast Guard-approved PFD (life jacket – Type II or III; no inflatables) and closed toe shoes (no loafers, slides, or other shoes that may fall off in the water). PFDs will be provided if needed. You must provide your own footwear.
- For safety reasons, the crew compartment cannot be enclosed.
- Your boat must be designed to keep the crew dry for as long as possible. Crews must sit in the boat. “Raft” style boats must float with the crew OUT of the water.
- Your boat may not have any sharp edges, pointed components, or heavy objects that could cause injury.
- Your boat must be light enough to be carried.
- Crew costumes and boat decorations are encouraged.
- Crew costumes and boat decorations must be family appropriate.
- Inspectors will check all boats prior to competition to make certain they do not violate the rules. Boat builders will have to correct violations to remain in the competition. The judges' decisions are final. Contact us if you



have concerns about your boat design meeting the guidelines & rules.

- Each participant (or the participant's parent/guardian, if a minor) must complete a waiver of liability prior to competition.
- Crew members must be at least 8 years of age.
- Boats may have a crew of up to 4 people. All crew members must actually ride in the boat in the water. If you are not actually participating in the race, you are not a crew member.
- Crew members cannot be switched out or alternated between heats/race.
- No alcohol or impairing drugs are permitted. Crews suspected to be under the influence of alcohol or impairing drugs will be disqualified and asked to leave the event area.
- To complete your heat, your boat and crew must complete the entire course in the boat. If you capsize, you must re-enter the boat to finish the race. Should no one complete the course, the crew who made it the furthest will be the winner.
- Boat crews must salvage everything from their boats, leaving nothing in the lake or on the shore.
- After the competition, you must take your boat home or dispose of it in the provided dumpster.

AWARDS

- Overall Champion – Each division
- Best sinking – Each division
- Most creative use of recycled materials
- Best decorated boat/costumes

Registration

All boat crews must register in advance. Registrations will be processed on a first come first serve basis until all available slots are filled. Registration fee is per boat and includes a post race BBQ for all registered crew members.

You can register online or by mailing the registration form and any fees to Friends of Golden Pond.

The race will take place on August 24th between 2 and 5PM. All boats must be checked-in to race officials by noon on August 24th, 2019. The registration fees (per crew) are as follows:

Crew Size	Before July 1	Before Aug 1	After Aug 1
1	\$35	\$40	\$50
2	\$50	\$60	\$75
Up to 4	\$75	\$85	\$100

The race will take place at Camp Golden Pond, 5126 Eberle Rd, Petersburg, PA, 16669.



2019 Friends of Golden Pond Recycled Regatta Team Roster

Team Name: _____ **Team Contact:** _____

Crew Member 1

Name: _____ Email Address: _____ Join Mailing List Y / N

Phone Number: _____ Address: _____

If Under 18: Age: _____ Relationship to Team Contact: _____

T Shirt Size (circle one): **Youth** S M L **Adult** S M L XL 2XL

Crew Member 2

Name: _____ Email Address: _____ Join Mailing List Y / N

Phone Number: _____ Address: _____

If Under 18: Age: _____ Relationship to Team Contact: _____

T Shirt Size (circle one): **Youth** S M L **Adult** S M L XL 2XL

Crew Member 3

Name: _____ Email Address: _____ Join Mailing List Y / N

Phone Number: _____ Address: _____

If Under 18: Age: _____ Relationship to Team Contact: _____

T Shirt Size (circle one): **Youth** S M L **Adult** S M L XL 2XL

Crew Member 4

Name: _____ Email Address: _____ Join Mailing List Y / N

Phone Number: _____ Address: _____

If Under 18: Age: _____ Relationship to Team Contact: _____

T Shirt Size (circle one): **Youth** S M L **Adult** S M L XL 2XL