

Rules for Canoe, Kayak, and Raft races

It's difficult to write rules that cover all contingencies. Bear in mind that the purpose of these events is for members of the community, young and older, to have fun on the water. The rules are an attempt to level the playing field for one and all. Please follow these rules in the spirit intended.

1. Canoe and kayak races will be run in age groups (10 and under, 11 to 20, 21 and over), male and female. They will be run first as canoe races and second as kayak races.
2. All entrants must enroll on the entry form by age group, sex, and craft.
3. Age groups and crafts may be combined in case there are not enough entries to hold a race in a specific age group or craft. However, awards will still be made by age group and craft. For instance, if there is only one canoe entry for males 10 and under, that person may race with the kayaks and still receive first prize for canoe 10 and under.
4. Rafts must be home made.
5. Everyone who is required to carry a raft from the street to the beach and launch it must ride on it. For instance, if it takes 5 adults to get a raft from the street to the water, 5 adults must be on it for the race, except for the 10 and unders. They may have help from an adult.
6. The age groups are the same as in #1.
7. There will be no inflatables used in the rafts. Inflatable is defined as anything designed or constructed commercially intended for riding in or on the water, being towed behind a boat, etc. This includes dinghies, inflatable kayaks, tubes designed to ride behind power boats, and anything else that fits this description! You know what we mean!
8. No motors.

Sand Castle Building

Groups include:

- 6 and under one to three on a team--adults hands off, guidance only
- 7 to 13 one to three on a team--adults hands off, guidance only
- 14 and over one to three on a team
- Family/adult groups (limit of 3 adults and as many kids as you want)

Equal size spaces will be marked in the sand for each entry.

1. The 6 and unders will finish when the main group finishes. All other entries are limited to 1 hour.
2. Unbiased judges will be selected from the crowd.
3. The 6 and unders will be able to start their constructions during the canoe, kayak, and raft races.
4. The judges will be looking for:
 - completeness
 - originality
 - use of space
 - height
 - complexity
 - which entry is best sculpted to the furthest limitations of the sand medium
5. Buckets and other containers may be used to pack the sand but may not be left in the construction as part of the support.
6. Only the sand on the beach and water may be used.