

MWR HMR Pool Cardboard Boat Show 2025

When: 19 JULY 2025. Check-in starts at 9:00. Boats must be in place and race ready by 1100.

Where: Helemano Military Reservation Pool

Who can participate: All DOD ID CARD HOLDERS AND DEPENDENTS

Deadline to sign up: NO DEADLINE-YOU MAY CONSTRUCT ON SITE.

Purpose: To design and construct a cardboard boat that can carry two team members, a captain and first mate. It will need to be able to stay afloat for approximately 50 meters (around/through the pool obstacle course). Boats must be constructed prior to event. Teams are responsible for providing all the materials used to construct the boat. Oars, sails, paddles must be made of cardboard.

ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL WEAR THE PFDS PROVIDED BY THE FACILITY AT ALL TIMES.

Boat Requirements: All boats will be inspected upon check-in. Teams must follow the below to prevent being disqualified:

1. All boats must be made entirely of corrugated cardboard, duct tape, plastic bottles/containers.
 - This includes the hull, super structure, and seating
 - The boat **CANNOT** be covered with tape, crayons, wax based products (to include wax-based cardboard), enamel paint(s), or any substance that will bleed or run off into the pool. Bottom seams must be taped from the inside of the boat (seams ONLY).
2. You can decorate your boat providing the decorations aid in the flotation of your boat.
3. Maximum length of each boat is 10 feet from bow to stern.
4. The passenger area of your boat cannot be enclosed. This will interfere with the ability to exit the boat in case of submergence.
5. Boats must be free of sharp edges, pointy objects, or anything that could be a menace to other teams.
6. No bumping, jostling, or attacking other boats allowed. Avoid other boats whenever possible.

Awards:

Best in Show: Best creatively designed boat.

The Titanic Award: Team with the most dramatic sinking!

Best Team Costumes: Captain, first mate, and supporting team themed costumes will be judged.

Fastest to Finish: Team to cross the finish line in the fastest time!