

# Raingutter Regatta Kit



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## Kit includes boat materials for ~25 youth

Included:

- Regatta track (two lanes) 10' long
- Spare track in case of leak
- Patch kit
- Air pump (wall & cigarette lighter adaptors)
- 6 Pool noodles (enough for 84 hulls)
- 100 Compostable straws (masts)
- 40 Plastic straws (blowing)
- 100 pieces cardstock (sails)
- Hole punch
- Crayons & Stickers

Consider adding:

- Scissors & X-acto knife
- Extra crayons/markers
- Themed stickers
- Beach towels
- Large tarp (if indoors)

### Don't forget to bring:

- Visitor sign-in sheet
- Pack promotional materials
- Method to fill the regatta track (water key/hose, etc.)



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## Planning Before the Event

- ❑ **Method of filling the tracks** - If using a facility's hose hookups, make sure you have a way to turn it on.
- ❑ **Method of emptying/draining the tracks** – It's much quicker to flip the track over and drain onto pavement than to unplug the built-in drains.
- ❑ **Practice inflating the track** - Make sure there are no air or water leaks and that the electric pump is working.
- ❑ **Practice making a boat...and bring extras** – Many kids will have fun building catamarans, “mega-boats”, etc. Estimate 4”-6” per boat hull. It saves a lot of time to pre-punch hulls and sails. Bring more straws/cardstock than you think you'll need.



## Day of the Event

- ❑ **Timing** – Budget 1-1.5 hours for set up and about an hour for breakdown/cleanup.
- ❑ **Greeters & Welcomers** – Have adults tasked with greeting visitors and with milling around the crowd small-talking with families. Many Pack adults will be busy helping build boats and running races, so make sure you have adults whose only job is to chat up visitors and make them feel welcome.
- ❑ **Building the Boats** – Half the fun is building & decorating boats. Have separate tables rather than using the regatta track's tables. Adults can cut the cardstock or you can bring safety scissors so that kids can cut custom sails. Budget time for kids to go back and build unusual boats.

