Appearance Team Rules

• Not Permitted
  o Fixed Paddler Constraints
  o Non-skid tape or other slip resistant material
  o Post-construction applied devices that prevent water from entering the canoe
  o Additives to stain such as glitter
  o Lighting, sound, or canopies for display

• Seats/Mats
  o Seats: 20” X 20” X 20” maximum
  o Mats: 20” X 30” X ½” maximum
  o Each paddler may use either a seat or mat, not both

• Gunwale
  o shall be finished to prevent injury to the paddlers
  o Exterior gunwale caps shall not be longer than 2’ each
  o No gunwale protection is permitted within two feet of either bow or stern ends
  o At the time of judging, gunwale caps and coverings shall be removed

• Concrete Samples/Cylinders
  o 3” X 6” or 4” X 8” samples of concrete mix for product display
  o Shall be taken at the time of construction
  o Provide in two halves, preferably sawed or broken form split tensile test
  o 12” X 12” sample of each reinforcement material used

• School and canoe name shall be prominently displayed canoe exterior above waterline
  o Letters must be individual and not continuous
  o School name: 4 ½” +/- ½” high
  o Canoe name: 3 ½” +/- ½” high

• Stains/Coloring Agents shall comply with ASTM C 979
  o Must be commercially available
  o Must be acid or water-based
  o Max solids content of 10% 
  o Max VOC of 350g/L

• Paint and adhesive appliqués shall be limited to the lettering

• Sealants
  o Option 1
    ▪ Must be silane or siloxane-based penetrating sealer
    ▪ Minimum solids content of 20%
    ▪ Max VOC 350g/L
  o Option 2
    ▪ Liquid membrane-forming compound for curing and sealing
    ▪ Must comply with ASTM C 1315 and stated as such on the product sheet

• Stands shall support canoe at 2.5’-4’ from ground to bottom of canoe

• Repairs can be made only with tape (any kind is acceptable)
• Product Display
  o Max dimensions of 30” (W) x 96” (L) x 29” (H)
  o Table top display shall fall within 30” (W) x 96” (L) x 48” (H) box
  o Shall contain photographs, charts, engineer’s notebook, samples
  o Bring seats and mats for measurement checks
  o Displays may be secured to the table
  o Shall not include any electronic devices
  o No sponsor related items