

Hazard	Who Might Be Harmed	Is the Risk Adequately Controlled, or is More Needed	Review and Revision
Choking or inappropriate use of straws - young people may put straws too far into their mouths, chew them, or play with them unsafely.	Young people	Use age appropriate, wide paper or reusable safety straws (no sharp edges).	
		Clear demonstration: straw stays on lips only, not inside the mouth.	
		No running or moving with straws in mouths.	
		Close adult supervision at all times. Remove straw immediately if misused.	
Hygiene / sharing of straws - Sharing straws can spread germs.	Young people	One straw per child, clearly allocated.	
		Straws not shared under any circumstances.	
		Encourage handwashing before and after the activity.	
		Collect and dispose of sanitise straws after use.	
Dizziness or discomfort from excessive blowing - Prolonged or forceful blowing may cause light headedness.	Young people	Keep races short and fun, not prolonged.	
		Encourage gentle blowing, not strong or continuous blowing.	
		Allow breaks between races.	
		Adults monitor and stop the activity if young people appear uncomfortable.	
Eye or face contact with straws - Straws could accidentally poke young people nearby, especially when lying close together.	Young people	Adequate spacing between lanes.	
		young people instructed to keep straws pointing forward only.	
		young people stay in their own lane.	
		Adults positioned along the lanes to monitor safety	
Collisions between young people - young people may bump into each other when lining up, getting excited, or choosing boats.	Young people	Clearly marked lanes with space between participants.	
		young people move one row at a time when collecting and returning cars.	
		Adults supervise transitions closely.	
		Calm, structured instructions given before each race.	
Trips and slips - young people kneeling or lying on the floor may slip when standing up or moving	Young people	Use a flat, clean, non slip surface.	
		Clear instructions on standing up safely.	
		No running during the activity.	
		Remove bags and loose items from the area.	
Emotional distress - Some young people may feel upset if they struggle or lose.	Young people	Remind young people that all races are just for fun.	
		Allow young people to try again without pressure.	
		Adults offer reassurance and encouragement.	
		Participation is voluntary—young people may watch if preferred.	
Over excitement or competitive behaviour - Racing may lead to shouting, frustration, or rules being ignored.	Young people	Emphasise fun and participation, not winning.	
		Use positive encouragement and praise effort.	
		Reset expectations between races.	
		Adults stop and calm the group if behaviour becomes unsafe.	
Ingestion of water - young people may attempt to drink the water from the tray.	Young people	Clear rule stated and reinforced: "Do not drink the water."	
		Adults closely supervise at all times.	
		Use clean tap water only.	
		Remove a child from the activity immediately if rules are not followed.	

Slips and falls due to spilled water - Water splashed or spilled onto the floor may create a slip hazard.	Young people, Adults	Place tray on a stable surface at appropriate height.	
		Limit water depth to the minimum needed.	
		Enforce rule: "Do not splash."	