

If your neighborhood has a lot of kids, outdoor water games are a great way to stay cool, and get every one involved in the fun! Whether you create an epic water game competition or obstacle course, or you just gather around your community pool, this is a great way to gather your community on a hot summer day!

THIS MIGHT BE A GOOD OPTION FOR YOU IF:

- There are lots of kids in your neighborhood!
- · You have a community pool, park, or field.
- · You have a low budget with a large guest list.

SUPPLIES

WATER ACTIVITIES:

- Water balloons ("Bunch-o-balloons" are easy to fill and tie)
- · Ice chest to keep the balloons in
- Water guns
- Sprinklers
- Kiddie pools
- Slip n' Slide (Make this more fun with some soap and pool floats!)
- Towels

HOW TO:

- Prepare all of the activities before guests arrive: Fill water balloons and set up any of the water activities.
- Invite your neighbors to bring their towels! Also communicate to wear a swimsuit and be prepared with sunscreen.
- Rent a water slide from our suggested bounce house rentals for additional fun and less clean-up but be sure to check out insurance or liability guidelines.
- If you are doing this for older kids or adults, make teams and a bracket! Additional ideas for older age groups would be Slip N' Slide kickball or obstacle courses.
- · Check out our resource for block parties with kids for more water game ideas!
- Have a plan to pick up the water balloons once they have popped.



THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND:

- Have an outdoor speaker to have music playing.
- An ice cream bar is a fun addition to this type of block party, or keep it simple with something like popsicles or lemonade!
- If you are hosting this at a community pool, know and respect the pool rules! Bringing in outside equipment and increasing the amount of running, noise, or number of guests around the pool should be done with a lot of communication.
- Plan pool games for this type of party like volleyball or marco polo!
- Have an idea of the agenda if you are planning to lead organized games. A whistle and a megaphone might be helpful! Also be prepared rules for safety.