

AAC in the Water:

Communication can be accessible in the pool, at the beach, and even at home in the bathtub!

- Use a heat-sealing laminator: be sure to cut out your printed board first so there is enough plastic sealed together on all sides-run it through twice to be sure it is sealed, or even double laminate it!
- You can also print/copy your communication board onto waterproof paper (one brand is Terraslate).
- Attach your waterproof board to your beach chair or bag, the pool/shower wall or a pool ladder. Marine grade Velcro is one great option for this.
- You can punch holes in your laminated board to hang it with string or metal rings, just make sure you punch through the plastic border only-if your holes go through the paper board, this will downgrade it from waterproof to merely splash-proof!
- Wrap your waterproof board around pool noodles or 2L soda bottles and attach with rubber bands, glue or waterproof Gorilla tape-even regular duct tape or packing tape will hold for a while. Smaller boards can be attached to the sides of a milk jug.
- Attach your waterproof board with glue to a piece of foam, a kickboard or a gardening knee board-laminated boards actually stick fairly well to a wet board without even being attached.
- If you have a big plastic jar, like a pretzel barrel, you can simply attach a regular printed board on the inside and close it tightly.
- Whichever you try, it is advisable to have a few printed copies-we all know 'waterproof' isn't always 100% waterproof!
 - Print a low-tech communication board out and put inside a large Ziploc bag. Tape the end of the Ziploc bag shut.

