

## The "How To" of Organizing A River Trip

Your river trip with American Whitewater Expeditions will be a very special, memorable event. The following guidelines and helpful hints will assist you in organizing your group.

- **1. FIRST,** please read through the downloadable brochure. It contains a wealth of information that will answer many questions.
- **2. TRIP RESERVATIONS:** When your group has decided on a date, give us a call. We will be booking on a first come basis, so the sooner you contact us the better, especially on weekend Middle Fork trips!
- **3. FLYERS:** You can assist in building interest by handing out brochures and/or putting up flyers. Custom flyers, especially effective for business groups, clubs, and offices, which list information about your trip are FREE from American Whitewater.
- **4. GROUP DISCOUNTS & INCENTIVES:** On all regularly priced trips, with 5 paid rafters the 6th goes for half fare. So with 11 paid rafters the 12th is free. With 18 rafters, 1 is free and 1 is at half rate. Large groups of 24 or more rafters please call for Special Large Group Pricing. The organizer of large groups of 24 or more will also receive a complimentary 4-person dome rental tent.
- **5. LOW AIRFARES:** Take advantage of the special discount rates many airlines are offering this summer into the Sacramento International Airport. Contact us for detailed information on airport shuttle fees to our camp.
- **6. DELUXE MOTORCOACH TRANSPORTATION:** Gold Coast Tours luxury buses will comfortably transport 44 people, are equipped with video, reclining seats, air-conditioning, a restroom, and will take you to the river in grand style with complimentary soft drinks. This service is not only economical and ecologically sound, but will get you to the river rested and cheerful. Groups of 36 or more can select their own departure date and place virtually anywhere in Orange County or Los Angeles, at no extra charge. Less than 36? Please contact us for more information and prices.
- **7. COLLECTION OF DEPOSITS & FINAL PAYMENT:** A space deposit will reserve your trip while you collect your individual deposits. Collecting a deposit from each person is a must. This will separate the 'Talkers" from the "Doers". We have found that unless there is a monetary commitment, there often is no commitment. We suggest that you collect a deposit of \$75.00 per person for two-day trips, \$35.00 each for Middle Fork one day trips and \$25.00 each for South Fork one day trips or the full amount from each rafter. The final payment is due 30 days prior to the trip. **The group organizer collects payments from group members then sends in only one check for the full amount.** If individual payments are received from group participants the free trip is forfeited. If the reservation is made within 30 days of the trip full payment is due at once. You are free to add people to your group up to one day before the trip depending upon availability. Any cancellation is subject to the cancellation policy. Money check-in sheets are available to assist you in keeping track of people and payments.

So, good luck in organizing your trip, and we'll look forward to seeing you on the river! Please feel free to call for further information or assistance.

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