

Great Willamette River Raft Race

General Event Guide & Rule Agreement

The Great Willamette River Raft Race is intended to be a fun family oriented event; participants agree not to behave in a manner which may be offensive to parents and or children. It is also agreed not to behave in a manner which is considered Unsafe to the participant or others. Water play is encouraged but must be stopped as requested.

The area from Independence to Salem is considered a class I water area and presents little in the way of hazards, but the participants must be aware of their responsibilities on the water and all City, County and State of Oregon laws apply. To include but not limited to the requirement of a Life Vest, sounding device such as a horn or whistle and an invasive species permit as applicable.

Participant need to be aware of some common issues which they may encounter on the river such as

- **Sunburn (Strongly Recommended Spf 55 min water proof sunscreen)** As you will be on the water between 2 to 4 hours.
- Low Water Areas
- Dehydration (Please drink plenty of fluids)
- Heat Stroke (Hats are advised)
- Bee Stings (If you are allergic to Bee Stings please bring antidote and notify organizers)
- Deer Ticks (Although fairly uncommon deer ticks may found on floating debris, foliage along the bank, or among the water plants in the river.)
- Shallow water
- Wake Boarders (Waves from boats can cause canoes to overturn)

There are Water Safety Vessels, including skidoos which are provided for your protection and participants agree to follow instructions provided by the Captains, Crew or Operators. Vessels will carry identification and or signs.

Note: Use of Alcohol is discouraged and alcohol in quantity will not be allowed i.e. Kegs, Pony Kegs or case quantities. All vessels and containers will be inspected prior to launch and upon landing at Wallace Marine Park! Any vessels and or participants found to be in violation of this rule shall be disqualified from the race and be ineligible for prizes.