

## Parker Tube Float Rules

While we want you to have fun, your safety and trash are our biggest concerns. We know you don't like rules but if we don't have them, we cannot have this event.

## Rules:

- **Insurance Waiver:** All participants must sign a waiver to receive a wristband. Online pre-registration process provides the waiver electronically. Children 13-17 years old must have a waiver signed by the parent/guardian and be accompanied by that parent/guardian. Children 12 and under may not float.
- **Registration:** Registration is on Saturday 8am to 12pm at La Paz County Park. All participants must be registered and have a wristband on them during the event. You can purchase the registrations at <u>www.parkerfun.com</u> or at the Parker Regional Chamber of Commerce & Tourism or other off-site registration locations (to be announced at a later date). If you wait until the day of the event to register, the fee will be higher at the registration booth at La Paz County Park.
- Vessel Registration: If you plan on taking your boat to tie to your floats, you will need to register that vessel for an additional fee. You will need to provide the following information: State in which it is registered, make and registration numbers (the combination of letters and numbers located on the side of the craft). Insurance and registration must be current. One vessel per floating group is allowed. Vessels must stay with floating groups during the event and used to keep floaters in the middle of the river. Vessel drivers may not consume alcoholic beverages.
- **New Changes with vessel registration.** We will not allow boats with any IO, Outboard or prop. Only allowed vessels will be jet boats or personal water crafts ONLY!
- Vessels not registered with tube float will not be allowed in the event area.
- **Vessels** will not be able to launch at La Paz County Park, Pirate's Den Resort or Buckskin Mountain State Park.. If you have registered your vessel, you will need to launch elsewhere.
- Life Jackets are required. You must have a life jacket or Personal Floatation Device on your float. Not provided. Must be US Coast Guard approved.
- Inflatable Tubes/Floating Device. This may include tubes, paddle boards, and kayaks. Barrels, wood, kegs, docks and other homemade floats are not allowed.
- **Do not air up tubes**. Do not pre-inflate your floats. All floats will be added to the bottom of the transportation buses to Buckskin Mountain State Park where there will be air

compressors ready. Dumpsters will be on the beach for easy disposal of your boxes and trash prior to launch.

- **Pack it in; Pack it out!** Make sure all trash is placed in receptacles provided by Republic Services.
- The wind conditions and the current are unpredictable and it may take some time to swim to shore. It is suggested to start swimming to the shore on the Arizona side before you get to Pirate's Den. There is a cove right after the Pirate Ship that you can swim into with a launch ramp to make easy access to remove your tubes.
- **Floats** must be removed from the water after exiting the Colorado River. Deflate and put in your personal vehicle or thrown away in receptacles provided by Republic Services.
- **Trash bags are provided** and if needed please ask. Anyone found dumping trash in the river or on the land is subject to a fine, removal of the event and/or will be arrested.
- Stay off private property.
- La Paz County Parking Fee \$10.00 CASH ONLY. Participants will drive their vehicle to La Paz County Park entrance for convenient parking at the finish line. Do not enter at the Pirate's Den entrance. You may leave vehicles parked at La Paz County Park until the following day as we do not want anyone to drive while under the influence of alcohol.
- No personal vehicles will be admitted into Buckskin Mountain State Park. No exceptions. All participants will be shuttled from La Paz County Park to Buckskin Mountain State Park. You must have wristbands to board the shuttle.
- There will not be any Day Use at Buckskin Mountain Park. Only bus drop off, use of the beach before entering the water.
- Law enforcement officers are there to ensure the safety of all participants and will not pull your floats and group to shore. Do not ask as that is not what they are there for. You will need to paddle your own float to shore however there will be other personal watercrafts to help assist, if possible.

## Not Permitted:

- Homemade floats
- Kegs
- Unlawful substances
- Glass
- Styrofoam
- Souffle Cups (Jello Shooters)
- Water Balloons
- Littering: Anyone found dumping trash into the river or on the shore is subject to a fine, removal of event and/or arrest
- We do not encourage the consumption of alcoholic beverages as we ask that you float responsible. Operators of vessels may not consume alcoholic beverages.

## Strongly recommended:

- Floating Buddy system
- Non-alcoholic beverages: water, sports drinks
- Hat

- Sunscreen
- Snacks
- ID and Credit Card or Cash in waterproof, floating container
- Water Shoes as flip-flops tend to fall off your feet and get lost
- C-Clamps to hook tubes together
- Paddles/oars are useful for navigational purposes

Thank you for your support of this event and our non-profit organization which has been serving the Parker area since 1952. Have a great day and enjoy the After-Float party at the finish line at Pirate's Den Resort. No outside alcohol or ice chests will be allowed at the After-Float party.