



GULF RIDGE COUNCIL, BSA

KAYAK TREK APPLICATION & FLOAT PLAN

Please read instructions on reverse side before completing application



Troop # _____

Other organization/event (describe) _____

Crew # _____

PLEASE INDICATE DESIRED KAYAK TREK (check only one):

- LAKE WALES 1 DAY PADDLE-LAKE ROSALIE**
Level: Easy
Length: 1 or 2 Days, Distance depends on group
Put in: Lake Rosalie ramp or Kissimmee State Park, depending on trip
Stopover point: N/A
Takeout: Kissimmee State Park. If water level is low, takeout for Lake Rosalie is the Rosalie ramp
Camping: Lake Kissimmee State Park (fees)
Facilities: Potable water, toilets & hot showers depending on campsite
Guide: Optional
Training: Training can be done on site.
Fees: \$20/day, plus \$35/day if Guided
- LAKE WALES 1 DAY PADDLE-LAKE KISSIMMEE**
- LAKE WALES 2 DAY PADDLE-LAKES KISSIMMEE & ROSALIE**
Level: Easy
Length: 2 Days; 5 , 10 miles per day
Put In: Lake Rosalie ramp
Stopover Point: Lake Kissimmee State Park; then paddle through Lake Kissimmee to Tiger Lake and back to Rosalie
Take Out: Lake Rosalie ramp
Facilities: Potable water, toilets & hot showers depending on campsite
Guide: Optional
Training: Training can be done on site.
Fees: \$20/day, plus \$35/day if Guided
Note: Trek requires normal or high water levels to paddle between lakes. Trek unavailable during low water.

- LAKE KISSIMMEE TREK**
Level: Easy
Length: 2 full days of paddling; 10, 10 miles per day
Put in: Lake Kissimmee State Park
Stopover point: Brahma Island (private)
Take out: Kissimmee River Locks
Facilities: Primitive tent camping; no water. Paddle your gear, food, and water in. Prior permission of landowner must be obtained by Council.
Guide: Required. Guide will transport excess gear in jon boat. Adult leader must have prior trek training or experience.
Training: Other training can be done on site.
Fees: \$75/day, including Guide
- ARBUCKLE 1 DAY PADDLE**
Level: Moderate
Length: 4-5 hours; 3-6 miles
Put in: Lake Arbuckle near Avon Park
Stopover point: Lunch at Arbuckle Road Ramp, paddle further down.
Takeout: Arbuckle Road Ramp
Guide: Optional
Training: Prior training required.
Note: Low water may be a problem. During high water levels, current will increase and navigating turns will be more difficult.
Fees: \$20/day, plus \$35/day if Guided
Caution: Not available during winter hunting season
- FORT DE SOTO 2 DAY PADDLE**
Level: Easy or Moderate
Length: 2 Days; Distance variable
Put in: Fort De Soto State Park
Stopover point: N/A; trips in and around Mullet Key or to Shell Island
Takeout: Fort De Soto State Park

Camping: Fort De Soto Park youth camp area
Facilities: Potable water, toilets, cold showers.
Guide: Required
Training: Training can be done on site.
Fees: \$75/day, including Guide

OKLAWAHA 1 DAY PADDLE
Level: Easy
Length: 1 day; 12 miles
Put in: Wayside Park or Hwy 40
Stopover point: N/A
Takeout: Gore's Landing
Guide: Required
Training: Training can be done on site.
Fees: \$75/day, including Guide
Note: Low water level will not be a problem as water level is controlled.

ALAFIA 1 DAY PADDLE

ALAFIA 2 DAY TREK
Level: Moderate , Easy depending on day
Length: 1-2 days; 12, 8 miles per day
Put in: Aldermans Ford Park
Stopover point: Lithia Springs /Camp Alafia
Take Out: Alafia Boat Ramp
Facilities: Potable water, toilets, hot showers
Guide: Required
Training: Prior Training required
Fees: \$75/day, including Guide
Note: At normal water level, paddling is easy. As water level rises, current increases and paddling is more strenuous. Low water level is a problem for the first leg. 1 day paddie will be on the first leg if water level is normal, and will be on the second leg if water level is low. 2 day trek will not be available during low water.

We plan to **PUT IN** on _____ at _____ AM / PM.

We plan to **TAKE OUT** on _____ at _____ AM / PM.

Our group will have _____ adult leaders & _____ youth.

TOTAL FEES SUBMITTED: \$ _____

Total number of kayaks requested (12 maximum): _____

Instructor/Guide Requested? (Requires usage of a camp kayak) _____

Sprayskirts Requested? _____

We understand that we will be responsible for making reservations and paying the fees for overnight camping (except Brahma Island)

PLEASE PRINT

Application Date: _____

Adult leader in charge: _____

This adult is skilled in canoe or kayak paddling & rescue techniques

Address: _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone #: _____ Email Address: _____

Second leader in charge: _____

This adult is skilled in canoe or kayak paddling & rescue techniques

Phone #: _____ Email Address: _____

Mail completed form & appropriate fee to: Gulf Ridge Council, 4410 Boy Scout Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33607

We have read and agree to follow the printed instructions and regulations for the kayaks/equipment requested. Facilities/equipment **will not** be available unless requested on this form. We understand we are liable for damages to kayaks/equipment, and that **WE ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A \$100.00 REFUNDABLE DAMAGE DEPOSIT PLUS TRIP FEES TO THE SERVICE CENTER WITH THIS FORM.** Fees for the individual trips will be as set out in the Kayak Trek Application and Float Plan Form Loss or damage schedule: kayaks – actual repair cost; paddles - \$75, pfds - \$45; bilge pumps - \$25; spray skirts - \$30. We will use the **Safe Swim Defense/Safety Afloat** standards for all activities [See back of form.]

Signed _____
Adult leader in charge



Safe Swim Defense

- Qualified Supervision
- Safe Area
- Lifeguards on Duty
- Lookout
- Ability Groups
- Buddy System
- Discipline



- Qualified Supervision
- Physical Fitness
- Swimming Ability
- Personal Flotation Equipment
- Buddy System
- Skill Proficiency
- Planning
- Equipment
- Discipline

Where swimming or boating is included in the program, *Safe Swim Defense*, and/or *Safety Afloat* standards are to be followed.

Adult Leader in charge _____

CERTIFIED LEADERS

(if a Guide is requested to accompany your unit on the Trek, please write "Guide")

If certified in Safe Swim Defense, write name below	Exp. Date	If certified in Safety Afloat, write name below	Exp. Date	If certified in CPR for Safety Afloat, write name below	Exp. Date	If certified in Kayak Paddling & Rescue Tech., write name here	Exp. Date	If Kayak Sprayskirt certified, write name below*	Exp. Date

* - This Adult understands and agrees that he or she is responsible for ensuring that all participants will be trained in wet exits before wearing a sprayskirt.

Training: Minicamp BCU 2** Other _____

IMPORTANT NOTE FOR UNIT LEADERS

1. A CONFIRMATION PACKET (CONTAINING TREK MAPS AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENTS) WILL BE SENT OR EMAILED TO YOU UPON APPROVAL OF YOUR APPLICATION
2. EACH PARTICIPANT (YOUTH AND ADULT) MUST COMPLETE AND TURN IN A SIGNED AND NOTARIZED HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT BEFORE KAYAKS ARE PUT IN
3. THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS