Colorado River (Grand Canyon)

Weighted Lottery applications are accepted during the first few weeks of February for permits with launch dates occurring in the following year. The drawing takes place near the end of February.

Process:
1. Create a User Profile by visiting the "Weighted Lottery Website" at https://npspermits.us/grandcanyon/river/login.cfm. This profile will maintain your contact information, accrued points, trip history, status of all applications you've submitted or been listed on, and links to those applications.

2. Create a Lottery Application: When a lottery is open and accepting applications, log back into your profile, create an application and submit it.

Fees: $25.00 Lottery Application Fee (this covers **all** applications for launch dates of that particular year)
Those who win through the lottery are immediately charged a $400 non-refundable deposit ($200 for launches advertised through the lottery as small trips) and usually have 1 to 5 days to pay this deposit. The deposit will apply toward the final permit fees. Final permit fees of $100 per person are due 90 days before launch.

Cancellations: All Lottery and Permit fees are non-refundable.

Additional Information:
The above information is for permits to launch from Lees Ferry (River Mile 0) and takeout at Diamond Creek (River Mile 226) or Lake Mead (River Mile 277).
Shorter Trips: Noncommercial River Permits are also available for the Lower Gorge (the Diamond Creek to Lake Mead section of the Colorado River. Information and application for Lower Gorge permits: http://www.nps.gov/grca/planyourvisit/overview-diamond-ck.htm.

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