

Salmon River (Main)

New - 4 Rivers Lottery System

Reservations, cancellations and recreation fee payments will be processed online through the National Recreation Reservation System (NRRS) website at www.Recreation.gov for the Salmon River (Main), Selway, Snake and Middle Fork of the Salmon. This switch to NRRS begins on December 1st, 2009. All river users need an email address and access to a computer. Lottery is from December 1st to January 31st for the control season occurring between May and September (specific dates vary from river to river). Applicant may apply for each of the individual rivers with up to four launch dates per river if desired. Each river will require a separate application and fee.

The Wild section of the Main Salmon River will also use this online system to assign pre or post season reservations which occur outside of the control season. Cancelled launches will be allocated at website on a first-come, first-served basis.

Application Process: Lottery applications are accepted December 1st through January 31st annually.

Fees:

Application \$6.00

All persons floating the Wild Section of the Main Salmon River must pay a Recreation Fee in the amount of \$4.00 per person per day (or any part of a day) or be a valid Middle Fork/Main Salmon Rivers Season Pass holder (see below). A fee reduction of 50% is available to Senior or Access Pass holders (formerly Golden Age or Golden Access Passports). Season pass holders and persons using a Senior or Access Pass for a fee discount must present their pass, along with their photo ID, to the launch personnel issuing the permit.

Season Passes - are available for purchase from the Middle Fork and North Fork offices for \$40.00. This pass entitles the holder only (not other members of their party) to float the Middle Fork and/or Main Salmon Rivers without further payment of Recreation Fees within one year from the date of purchase.

Permit holders will be responsible for payment of fees for their entire group. This payment must be made **21 days** prior to the actual launch date. See refund policies at website.

Additional Information: New Requirement – Anyone who wants to launch a boat on Idaho waters will have to buy and display an Idaho Invasive Species Fund sticker. (Inflatable, non-motorized vessels less than 10 feet long are exempt).

During the Reserved Control Season, June 20th – September 7th, group size determines trip length.

Group size: 21-30, 6 days-5 nights
11-20, 7 days-6 nights
1-10, 8 days-7 nights

Outside the Reserved Control Season the maximum group size is 30 and the maximum trip length is 10 days.

Contact:

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Websites: www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc/recreation and www.Recreation.gov