

Salt River (Upper)

To float the Upper Salt River you must obtain a permit from the White Mountain Apache Tribe **and** the USDA Forest Service.

White Mountain Apache Tribe

A Daily Rafting Permit is required for each person for each day they are rafting the portion of the Salt River flowing through the Reservation. Recreation permits can be purchased online from the [White Mountain Apache Tribe](#). **These permits are required 365 days a year.** Whitewater boating is strictly prohibited by the Tribe through those sections of the canyon upstream of Apache Falls, 1/4 mile above Salt River Canyon Bridge (Highway 60).

Application: none for the Reservation, but see below for application process for Forest Service.

Fees: \$25.00 per person/day. All rafting trips going beyond the “HooDoo” camp area require a minimum 2-day rafting permit for each person, regardless of the destination.

Contact:

White Mountain Apache Tribe, Outdoor Recreation Division
100 West Fatco Road
P.O. Box 220
White River, AZ 85941

Telephone: (928) 338-4385 **Fax:** (928) 338-1712 **Office hours:** 8am – 5pm, Monday through Friday

Website: www.wmatoutdoors.org/

USDA Forest Service: March 1 - May 15 Permitted Season

Application process: The application period for the lottery for these permits is from December 1 through January 31 each year at www.recreation.gov. Results are available by February 10 and you have until February 20 to pay the \$125 permit fee to secure the permit. Continue to check this website beginning February 21st through May 15th for cancelled launch dates, which are released at a random time within 24 hours of submission.

Fees: \$16.00 non-refundable lottery application fee or \$10.00 non-refundable reservation fee when a first-come, first-served boater permit is reserved. \$125 permit fee.

Cancellations: Boaters wishing to cancel their permit must do so 21 days or more prior to their launch date in order to receive a refund. To change the launch date, the permit holder must cancel their existing reservation and make a new reservation.

Additional information: Permits are limited to 15 people per group.

Contact:

River Permit Coordinator
Tonto Nation Forest, Globe Ranger District
7680 S. Six Shooter Canyon Road
Globe, AZ 85501

Telephone: (928) 402-6236

Website: http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/tonto/specialplaces/?cid=fsbdev3_018757 and www.recreation.gov