

Tennessee River Blueway Canoe and Kayak Race

Saturday, September 26, 2009

Application/Race Rules and Regulations

REGISTRATION:

Contestants may register by check via USPS to:
Friends of Outdoor Chattanooga
200 River St., Chattanooga, TN 37405

- **Do not send cash in the mail.**
- Register Online at EdgeReg.com
- **Both members of a team must register separately.**

ENTRY FEES: ALL ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

- \$30.00 per person on or before Sept. 18
- \$40.00 per person after Sept. 18
- Mailed registrations must be received by 4:00 p.m., Thurs., Sept. 24.
- Online registration on EdgeReg.com closes at 12:00 midnight on Thurs., Sept. 24.
- Entries are not final until a signed waiver and fees are received.

AGE REQUIREMENTS:

Entries are open to adults 18 years and older, 16 years and older with parent or guardian's permission; 12-15 years old may compete in the Junior Division.

SKILL LEVEL REQUIRED:

Participants are expected to be able to control their boats in a moderate to strong current, have a working knowledge of basic paddle strokes and braces, and be able to perform a wet exit from a decked boat. They must also be able to paddle facing both front and back, assist in their own rescue, and are expected to wear clothing appropriate for the weather and water temperatures.

RACE PACKET PICKUP

All packets may be picked up on Fri., Sept. 25, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Outdoor Chattanooga, 200 River St., in Coolidge Park, or on Sat., Sept. 26, from 7 to 9 a.m. during race day registration.

CANCELLED CLASSES:

Classes having less than three (3) entries will not be held and entrants will be assigned to the next corresponding class.

BOAT INSPECTION:

All boats must be inspected and classification verified. Race director's decision is final.

LAUNCHING:

We recommend launching under the Market St. Bridge in Coolidge Park. It's the easiest and closest to the after-race activities.

SAFETY:

- Alcohol is prohibited in Coolidge Park or at Ross Landing, and during race events.
- **All paddlers are required to wear a Coast Guard-approved life jacket (PFD) when on the water in their boat, when launching, and when taking out.**
- Dogs are prohibited in Coolidge Park and Ross Landing. We love the pups, but we can't invite them to the race. Sorry.
- No glass bottles or containers near the launching or racing areas, please.

2009 SCHEDULE:

7-9 a.m. - Registration and boat inspection at Coolidge Park by the Market St. Bridge.

9:30 a.m. to Safety Talk at the Market St. Bridge launch

9:30 to 10 a.m. to Proceed to south shore of river for race start (*USE CAUTION! The TN River is a commercial waterway*)

10 a.m. to Race Start to 6 mile course, followed by 2-mile course.

11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. - Lunch

12 noon to Awards and Door Prizes

1 p.m. to Clean-up

