



PACKRAFT SWIFTWATER TRAINING “CRASH COURSE”

When: July 5th, 2017 8:30A.M. - 3:00P.M.

Where: Jackson, Wy

Meet Place:

We will meet at the "South Park Put-In" on the Snake River roughly 5 miles south of the intersection of Wyoming 22 and Hwy 89 (Albertsons junction). There are two put-ins at this bridge. We will meet at the downriver parking lot just south of the Snake river bridge on the left hand side of the highway. It's a large developed parking lot and very visible from the highway.

Expect specific correspondence from SSI as we near the course date. We will be finished with class on the 5th by 3:00pm, allowing you to drive to Teton, Idaho for the Roundup. It is roughly a 1 hr drive from Jackson to the Roundup meeting site.

You will be responsible for your own lodging prior and during this course. Please visit <http://www.fs.usda.gov/activity/btnf/recreation/camping-cabins/?recid=71389&actid=29> for camping locations, and please remember that 4th of July weekend is busy in Jackson Hole.

Cost: \$85/each

Prerequisites:

- Basic swimming ability
- In good physical shape
- Adequate health insurance

To Register: www.swiftwatersafetyinstitute.com / schedule (ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY)

For More Details: Contact Eric Riley 307-200-1959 or swiftwatersafetyinstitute@gmail.com

Course Details:

This will be a one-day training offered by the Swiftwater Safety Institute (SSI). This will be a fast-paced, fun and energetic day of training utilizing various techniques necessary to maximize safety on moving water in packrafts. Space will be limited to the first 16 participants. The following training will be provided:

- Basic whitewater paddling safety skills and communication - throw bag skills and basic rope work
- Self rescue techniques / righting a capsized boat and re-entry
- Gear and companion rescue techniques along with boat rigging techniques
- Righting a loaded packraft in swift/deep water
- Whitewater swimming - Passive vs. Aggressive, and swimming with gear
- Foot entrapment stabilization/extrication techniques utilizing shallow water crossings

SSI has been teaching a variety of technical level rescue courses in combination with a packraft specific curriculum for several years. Meeting the needs of packraft river runners, we have worked with guiding and rescue agencies across North America.

Students Should Bring:

All personal protective equipment necessary for river swimming and packrafting, including, but not limited to the following:

- Helmet, PFD, appropriate insulative clothing (drysuit/wetsuit), close toed shoes
- Packraft, paddle and backpack or drybag to facilitate boat rigging techniques
- Other personal gear that you may carry with you: Throw bag, carabiners, river knife etc..

* Non-Locking carabiners **ARE NOT** allowed.

Additional Items:

- Please be prepared with water, food/snacks, sunscreen and anything else you might need for a full day in and out of the water.

What will be provided by SSI:

- Instruction
- Group rescue gear. Ie; ropes, carabiners, pulleys, webbing, throwbags