

**WV Division of Natural Resources Law Enforcement Section  
Commercial Whitewater Guide Trainee Sheet – 15 Runs**

It is the responsibility of commercial whitewater outfitters to keep on file copies of all guide trainee, guide, and trip leader information sheets for each employee that cover the river sections and levels of responsibility (Guide or Trip Leader) each employee works. It is NOT necessary to maintain additional records other than additional completed sheets for each new section or Trip Leader section a guide adds to their qualifications. Please note that the Gauley River requires additional qualifications and, thus, separate guide and Trip Leader sheets for the section from Summersville Dam to Mason's Branch.

**Per West Virginia Code of State Rules §58-12.1, a Commercial Whitewater Guide shall:**  
**All whitewater trips relied upon for qualification must be shown on this form.**

- 12.1.a "Be at least eighteen (18) years old, unless approved in writing by the director; and"
- 12.1.b "Have completed a minimum of fifteen (15) training trips including at least five (5) training trips in the same or similar type of raft used by the outfitter for commercial whitewater activities, two (2) familiarization trips and one (1) evaluation trip on the section of river to be guided, except that on the Shenandoah River only ten (10) training trips will be required plus the two (2) familiarization trips and one (1) evaluation trip. One (1) of the familiarization trips and the evaluation trip shall be in the same or similar type of raft used by the outfitter for commercial whitewater activity. The second familiarization trip may count as the evaluation trip;"

OR

- 12.1.c "Have acted as a commercial whitewater guide and completed a minimum of fifteen (15) commercial whitewater expeditions in a raft on a river in which a guide is required in every raft, two (2) familiarization trips and one (1) evaluation trip. The second familiarization trip may count as the evaluation trip;"

Guide Trainee Name (last, first, m.i.): _____	Company Name: _____
Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): _____	

	Date	River and Section	Type of Craft	Company
1				
2				
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4				
5				
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12				
13				
14				
15				

<b>Familiarization Trips</b> (one of these may be the Evaluation Trip below)				
1				
2				
<b>Evaluation Trip</b>				
1				

I hereby certify that I have successfully completed all the listed whitewater trips as guide trainee and meet or exceed all requirements under the regulations above for a whitewater guide within the State of West Virginia.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that this guide trainee has, to the best of my knowledge, successfully completed all the listed whitewater trips as a guide trainee and has met or exceeded all requirements under the regulations above for a whitewater guide within the State of West Virginia.

Company Owner  
or Designee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_