

OKCC Trip Coordinator Requirements

All coordinators must have at least one year of experience paddling at the River Classification of the trips they coordinate. Some experience at the next level of Classification is desirable.

All coordinators must have completed at least a full day of safety training in a class conducted on whitewater. This can be a class given by:

An ACA or BCU instructor

One of the local commercial paddling entities – a shop or whitewater instruction business

Willamette Kayak & Canoe Club

Oregon Whitewater Association

Other Board approved training

The OKCC subsidizes safety training for members. Check with a board member for current subsidy amounts.

All coordinators are encouraged to keep their First Aid and CPR training up to date. The OKCC subsidizes First Aid and CPR training for members. Check with a board member for current subsidy amounts.

Coordinators must list trips such that either:

They have paddled the run previously.

Or:

They recruit participants who have paddled the run previously.

Or:

They clearly list the trip as “exploratory” meaning it requires prior researching the run and taking extra precautions in scouting on the trip.

Trip coordinators supply river information to the best of their knowledge to participants. They question the abilities of members and guests if they do not have prior experience with them. Coordinators may exclude any person from any trip for safety reasons. However, in accordance with the OKCC waiver, trip coordinators are not responsible for judging participants' qualifications or for participants' safety on the water. Each participant is responsible for decisions and safety.

The OKCC Board maintains a list of members qualified to coordinate trips. Members can be added to the list by sending a paddling history to the club Secretary who will forward it to the Board for consideration. Include name, age, years experience leading, first aid certifications, professional certifications (e.g. ACA or BCU training or instructor certifications).