

International Rafting Federation Guide Training & Education. Guide, Trip leader, Safety Kayak & instructor workshop Futaleufú river (Chile) 16th -20th December 2024

Dates:	16 th -20 th December 2024
Location:	Rafting Futaleufú, Manuel Rodriguez 29, Futaleufú Chile,
Instructors:	Mark Hirst, Gigo Castillo
Host company:	Rafting Futaleufú. www.raftingfutalefu.cl
Course Languages:	English, Spanish
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This workshop is aimed at commercial guides with existing commercial experience who wish to join an intense 5-day training course that will share the current best global practices within the global rafting industry. All guides will have the opportunity to gain an IRF certification upon successful completion of the course.

Guides with relevant experience will have the opportunity to be assessed for the following IRF awards.

- Raft guide Level 3
- Raft guide Level 4
- Safety Kayaker Level 3
- Safety Kayaker Level 4
- Raft Trip Leader Level 3
- Raft Trip Leader Level 4
- Raft Instructor Level 3 Provisional
- Raft Instructor Level 4 Provisional

All course students must meet the following criteria to be assessed for the awards.

- Be at least 18 years old at the date of assessment.

- Be able to swim.
- Hold a current, valid, IRF approved First Aid Certificate (FAC) with the following requirements:
 - Raft Guide, Safety Kayak,: Standard First Aid certificate (minimum course duration 8 hours, must include CPR).
 - Raft Trip Leader, , Instructors, Advanced First Aid certificate (minimum course duration 16 hours, must include CPR).
 - The certificate must show the dates of when the course was taken which must be no longer than 3 years old.
 - IRF GTE does not accept First Aid certificates that are valid for more than 3 years or were 100% on-line First Aid courses.
 - A copy of the card or certificate must be provided as proof and must ideally where possible be valid for at least six (6) months beyond the assessment (or renewal) date.
 - Maintain a logbook or record of each river run in the role for which they are being assessed, ideally signed by the Trip Leader or Operations Manager of the rafting operator. As proof of experience, relevant individual / or operator contact details should be included in the logbook. The logbook must be presented to the Instructor or Assessor as proof of experience before an assessment.



All guides are expected to have the following logged time.
1 run = 2hrs of river time

Raft guide Level 3 (RG3)	30 runs or 60 hours guiding a Raft on a variety of rivers with rapids rated at Class 3 or higher
Raft guide Level 4 (RG4)	50 runs or 100 hours guiding a Raft on a variety of rivers with rapids rated at Class 4 or higher
Safety Kayak Level 3 (SK3)	30 runs or 60 hours experience kayaking on a variety of rivers with rapids rated at Class 3 or higher
Safety Kayak Level 4 (SK4)	50 runs or 100 hours experience kayaking on a variety of rivers with rapids rated at Class 4 or higher
Raft Trip leader Level 3 (RTL3)	75 runs or 150 hours on a variety of rivers rated Class 3 or higher
Raft Trip Leader Level 4 (RTL4)	125 runs or 250 hours on a variety of rivers rated Class 4 or higher
Instructor Level 3 Provisional (RIL3P)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold a current RTL3 Certification • Experience on a variety of different rivers in at least two countries
Instructor Level 4 Provisional (RIL4P)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold a current RTL4 Certification • Experience on a variety of different rivers in at least two countries

Cost Costs

Award	Attendance days	Costs	Number of places available	+ IRF Fees Per person
Raft Guide (Per person)	16th,17th, <i>All guide candidates are welcome to join all 5 days</i>	\$160USD	12	\$40.00
Safety Kayak (Per person)	16th,17th,18th, <i>All SK candidates are welcome to join all 5 days</i>	\$210USD	4	\$40.00
Trip Leader (Per Person)	16th,17th,18th,19 th <i>All TL candidates are welcome to join all 5 days</i>	\$280USD	4	\$70.00
Instructor	16th,17th,18th,19th,20th	\$720USD	5	\$130

Instructor candidates are expected to attend a pre course meeting on the evening of 15th December.

Included in the cost

- Tuition
- Rafting equipment
- River shuttles

Not Included in the cost

- IRF Fees (payable in cash after the course)
- Food or Accommodation
- Personal equipment (Kayak paddle & sprayskirt for kayakers)
- Personal travel insurance

Assessment standards

1= poor (fail), 2=Weak (fail), 3= satisfactory (Pass), 4= good (pass) 5= excellent (Pass)

Raft guide assessments.

All guides must score 3 or more in order to pass in each element

- Pre departure safety. demonstration (safety talk)
- Rafting guiding skills. (River running, Crew interaction)
- Personal swim test.
- IRF Throwbag test.
- IRF Ropework test.
- IRF Flip drill.
- IRF theory paper.

Safety kayak assessments.

All safety kayakers must score 3 or more in order to pass in each element

- Pre departure safety. demonstration (safety talk)
- Personal kayaking & rescue skills
- Personal swim test.
- IRF Throwbag test.
- IRF Ropework test.
- IRF Flip drill.
- IRF theory paper.

Raft Trip leader assessments.

All trip leaders must score 4 and above in a raft guide assessment. plus pass each element.

- Pre departure guide brief
- Floatilla management
- Emergency scenario management

Instructor candidates

All instructor candidates must score 4 and above in a guide & trip leader assessment. Plus

- Assist in the running of the workshop
- Deliver 2 30 minute presentations during the workshop