



Keilir
Adventure Studies



Level 3 Guide & Trip Leader
International Rafting Federation
May 22-25, 2016

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Included:

- 2 qualified Level 4 IRF Instructors & Safety Kayaker
- Transportation (from/to Reykjavik & during the course)
- 3 days on the river (rafting equipment rental is included)
- 3 nights Camping @ Steinsstadir or Viking Rafting (TBA)
- Level 3 Guide and Trip Leader assessment fee (valid for 3 years)
- Certification card with photo from the IRF
- Individual debrief

Location: East Glacier River.

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| Day 1 | Departure from Reykjavik in the afternoon and introduction to the IRF program. |
| Day 2 | Practical assessments (safety talk, crew management, river manoeuvres, swimming, throw bagging, raft flipping, mechanical advantage). |
| Day 3 | Rest of the practical assessments and rescue scenarios for Trip Leader candidates. |
| Day 4 | Rest of the practical assessments and rescue scenarios, theoretical exam, individual feedback, course closure & return to Reykjavik. |

IRF Guide Certification:

- Satisfactorily pass the guide assessment examination
- Maintain a current basic first aid certificate or equivalent with cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR)
- Submit a log book recording your guiding activities, signed by the Trip Leader or Operations Manager of the company **(minimum of 30 runs or 60 hours)**

IRF Trip Leader Certification:

- Satisfactorily pass the Trip Leader assessment examination
- Maintain a current advanced first aid certificate. It is highly recommended that candidates hold a Wilderness First Responder (WFR) certification or equivalent.
- Submit a log book recording your trip leading and guiding activities, signed by the Operations Manager of the company **(minimum of 75 runs or 150 hours)**

The IRF GTE Certification Award is recognized and accepted around the world as proof of whitewater guiding competency, and in some countries it has been adapted as a national standard and requirement. The IRF is also recognized by the Adventure Travel Trade Association (ATTA) and the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO), the two largest tourism bodies in the world, as the world body responsible for establishing and administering commercial raft guide standards. In all cases, the IRF GTE Certification Award serves as an acceptable proof of guide or instructor knowledge and skills when a regional or nationally issued certification is not required. For guides who wish to travel and work on rivers outside of their own country, the IRF GTE Certification Award is often the only certification they will need. (Some countries may still require a guide to obtain a national or regionally issued certification as well.)