

## Email for the Upper Yakima:

**PLEASE READ THE ENTIRE MESSAGE. If you have questions after reading this email or are still confused about the directions don't hesitate to contact. (509)964-2530 rafts@fairpoint.net**

### Before Your Rafting Trip:

1. Download Waivers and have everyone in your group sign.
2. Check the weather and dress appropriately
3. Bring food, water and snacks for the float (No Glass and No Styrofoam)
4. Make sure to show up on time. If you are 30 or more minutes late and do not contact us you may be charged \$20 an hour until you arrive. If you call us before your reservation time we are usually able to waive this fee.

**10301 Hwy 10 Ellensburg, WA, 98926.** This address is for the house directly across the street. We cannot guarantee it works with all GPS. Please use directions below if possible.

### Directions From Western Washington:

1. From I-90 Take **EXIT 85**, Cle Elum/Wenatchee
2. At the 'T' turn **RIGHT** and head toward Wenatchee
3. After approx. 2 mile turn **RIGHT** onto Highway 10
4. After approx. 1 mile stop at the **FIRST** Bridge, the Teanaway River Bridge.
  - a. Unload all of your gear and drop off your people here. There is only room on the shuttle for drivers, not your whole group.
  - b. Take everyone down by the water underneath the bridge to safely wait for you to return
  - c. Make sure that everyone has signed the waiver, you'll want to bring the waivers to the office with you
5. After the bridge, continue on Highway 10 another 10.9 miles.
6. **After Milepost 100**, and the small fire station you'll see a river access on the **right hand side**.
7. At the take out park your car then check in with whoever is driving the shuttle bus.

**If you bring all of your people to the take out you may have to wait for an empty shuttle.**

### Directions from Eastern Washington:

*(Please call to confirm there is room on the shuttle for your whole group. If there is not room you will need to drop your group off at the Teanaway River or wait for an empty shuttle.)*

1. Take **EXIT 106**, Ellensburg
2. Head toward the gas stations
3. At the roundabout take the 3<sup>rd</sup> exit, the one for Love's.
4. Continue on this road until you get to another 4-way stop, take a **LEFT**
5. Drive for 5.1 miles and look for the second river access on the left hand side. After Milepost 101 you will see a private take-out. Our take-out is a short while after the public Fish and Wildlife launch.
6. Park here and check in with the shuttle bus driver.

Every reservation comes with paddles and personal floatation devices (PFDs). Each person will be fitted with a PFD by a Rill Adventures staff member.

Once your raft is loaded up and everyone has PFDs your group will receive a safety talk and will be told how to recognize the take out.

## Know your River Rules:

- BE COURTEOUS TO PROPERTY OWNERS AND OTHER RIVER USERS
- You and your group are not the only ones on the river. There are families, private property owners, fishermen, kayakers, tubers and multiple government officials. Be kind to all you encounter.
- The upper section of the river has private land on both sides of the Yakima River. Even many of the islands have private owners. When you stop stay near the bank and be respectful of people's privacy and their land.
- NO GLASS OR STYROFOAM - Remember no glass or Styrofoam. Styrofoam will not with stand a raft trip. Keep it from polluting in our water ways.
- PACK OUT YOUR TRASH - Use the leave no trace behind principal and what you pack in make sure and pack out. Thank you!
- IT IS ILLEGAL TO CONSUME ALCOHOL ON THE RIVER according to RCW 66.44.100.  
Our top priority is your safety on the water. We take alcohol from groups when we deem the amount of alcohol to be a hazard to Rill's employees and rafting participants. If you must drink on the river do so responsibly. If you do decide to drink on the river please be responsible, safe and considerate of the other people using the river. Just like driving there should always be sober people to handle the raft, every boat needs two designated people to steer and paddle. We cannot stress enough the difference between enjoying a beer or two with friends and getting so drunk you cannot stand up or even hope to paddle.
- Everyone needs to bring drinking water with them on the rafting trip. Being out in the sun is draining and dehydrating especially in the Central Washington heat.
- Dogs are allowed and we do have PFDs for your pet. But be sure and pay attention; if a pet damages equipment you are responsible for having it repaired.