

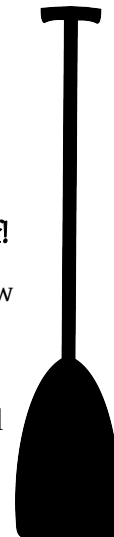
Whitewater trip & course 2014

Paddling Skill Endorsement

We want this trip to be for all older Scouts and Venturers, but unfortunately, we don't have the time in a single week to teach you how to paddle if you have never canoed before. You don't have to know very much, but you do have to be able to reliably paddle and steer a canoe from the stern seat on flatwater.

You DO NOT have to know anything about whitewater paddling. We will teach you that stuff!

You DO need to fill in your name on the form and give it to someone who has taught you how to canoe or has paddled with you (Scout Leader, camp counsellor, trip leader, relative, etc.). That person should be confident that they could put you in a canoe with another Scout and ask you to paddle across a calm bay without falling out or zig-zagging all over. That person should also be able to articulate their own paddling skill and experience to us so we can be confident that you will have fun and succeed on trip.



Participant Name: _____

Examiner's Name: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

We may contact you for a brief conversation.

Paddling certifications (ORCKA, Paddle Canada, etc.): _____

If you don't have specific paddling or instructor certifications, please briefly describe your experience as a paddler and canoeing instructor: _____

I certify that _____ has basic canoeing ability and is able to reliably stern a tandem canoe while working with their bow paddler. This includes basic balance skills as well as the ability to reach a distant destination in straight line without a lot of complaining or boat zig-zagging.

Examiner Signature: _____ Date: _____