

## **RVAPS Raft Guide**

### **Job Description:**

RVA Paddlesports is one of the two main rafting companies to take patrons down the James River as well as run clinics and classes on kayaking. The RVAPS raft guide is responsible for getting customers down the James River in fun and safe fashion. Guides should be able to effectively communicate with their guide team and customers on and off the river. They should bring excitement and knowledge to every trip they run making ensuring customers have the best experience possible. Furthermore, they must be competent and capable in part or whole of the following: functioning in high stress environments, ability to work in large groups settings, communicating, and assisting participants in a manner that exhibits safety, proper technique, and follows the policies and procedures set forth in the RVA Paddlesports Handbook.

**Location:** 1320 School st. Richmond, VA 23220

**Supervisors:** Patrick Griffin, Andy James

**Starting Pay Rate:** \$45 Per trip

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

- 16 years of age or older
- Ability to lift objects 50 lbs or more
- Ability to attend and complete all training days (\$150 cost of training)
- River experience is not a necessity, we will teach you everything to become a great guide

### **Preferred Qualifications:**

- Some experience with outdoor equipment & activities
- Familiar with the greater Richmond area paddling beta
- Previous experience as a whitewater raft guide
- Certified in CPR and First Aid
- Certified in Wilderness First Response
- Training in Swift Water Rescue

### **Primary Duties & Responsibilities:**

- Be professional, fun, and approachable
- Meet and greet guests
- Load and prepare rafts
- Execute crash courses in rafting (paddle talk)
- Lead a safe and fun rafting trip
- Derig and clean up post trips
- Maintain the cleanliness and organization of facilities and vehicles
- Assist with both directed and undirected tasks without direct supervision from the RVAPS management

- Others duties as assigned.

**To Apply:**

- Submit an application and resume to the RVA Paddlesports warehouse, or through email at [rvapaddlesports@gmail.com](mailto:rvapaddlesports@gmail.com)