

# Schlitz Fund Application

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## **General Information:**

Please review the attached Wolfgang Schlitz Adventure Fund guidelines before completing this application. The application outline below is to help you create a proposal to receive funding. You must submit this application electronically to the DOC President prior to the fourth Monday of each term (which is at least one week prior to the Schlitz Review meeting). However, it is not necessary to wait until the term before your trip to apply for funding. You may apply for funding at any point. Applicants are strongly encouraged to review ideas and early drafts of proposals with Schlitz Committee members and OPO staff as early as possible.

Please bring about one copy of your application and attached materials to the committee meeting. You will have approximately ten minutes to present and answer questions. During your presentations, please focus on what makes your trip unique and how you plan to contribute to the Dartmouth Outing Club, either before your trip and/or after your return. Finally, have fun and be creative with this!

## **Basic Stuff:**

Applicant Name(s) and Year(s)

Intended destination

Dates of the trip

Are you applying as an individual, or as a group? (If you're applying as a group, one application can be submitted for the whole group, but all budget numbers need to be per individual.)

## **Money, Money, Money:**

Please attach a detailed budget, including but not limited to:

The total cost of the trip

What, specifically, these funds will pay for

How much you are asking for from the DOC

What other sources of funding you are applying for (or have already received), and how much from each.

## **Expedition Details:**

What is your intended adventure (schedule and route description, including travel to and from the destination)? Provide as much objective information as possible, including but not limited to detailed maps, ratings, classifications, mileages, etc, history of other expeditions in the area, climate information, geographic, environmental, social

and political nature of your destination including specifically any United States Government issued travel restrictions or advisories.

In this section, please consider the following questions: Why is this trip important to you? What is your background for this type of activity? What skills do you have, or what do you plan to do to get ready for the trip? Does this trip represent a challenge to your skill level? Have you been to this area or undertaken similar or related activities before?

### **Risk Management and Safety:**

Please describe any risks or safety concerns that you anticipate encountering on your trip. This may include anything from dangerous animals to weather conditions to political situations. How might these factors affect your plan? What measures will you take to ensure your safety (e.g. becoming First Aid certified, carrying a satellite or cell phone, traveling with a companion, etc)? Also, please address your back up plan in the event that you encounter any obstacles or setbacks.

### **How You Plan to Give Back to the DOC:**

One of the primary goals of the Schlitz fund is to enrich the DOC and inspire and educate its members. Please describe how the skills and experience that you gain on your adventure could enrich the DOC. This may include new technical or leadership skills or an insight into regional or cultural perspectives. In return for funding, we require two contributions to the DOC:

- 1) Some form of written report, narrative, or essay. This can be anything from a 'how-to' report, discussing logistics and problems that you may have faced to a creative narrative or essay submission to Woodsmoke (the DOC's publication of trip reports, essays, poetry and pictures, distributed to Club members and others).
- 2) Another, ideally interactive, contribution of your choosing. For example, this may be in the form of a guided trip, presentation, or workshop. Creativity is encouraged – this is your opportunity to share your skills and experience directly with other DOC members.

After your application is received it will remain on file with the Dartmouth Outing Club as a record of your application and an example for future applicants to view as an example if they wish.

The following page is a release of liability form. Please print one copy for each applicant, fill in blanks, sign and return to Laura Dukeshire. (It is not necessary to include these with your presentation.)

Today's Date:  
Dates of Expedition:  
Name of Expedition:

Dear Schlitz Fund Recipient:

The purpose of this letter is to ensure our mutual understanding regarding the contribution being made in support of your planned expedition. The money provided to you is for use in facilitating the trip outlined in your application, and we expect you to account for how the money was expended at the trip's conclusion. This contribution is made unconditionally, except for the expectation that you will provide an accounting with regard to your expenditure of the contributed funds. If for any reason you do not follow through on your plan to mount this expedition then we expect that the full amount of our contribution will be returned.

Please note that the IRS may consider the money received by you to be income reportable on Form 1099 for Federal Income Tax purposes.

Conducting a trip of this sort requires a great deal of planning and preparation. Medical emergencies and other unforeseen and unanticipated difficulties can arise without warning. By undertaking to organize, plan, prepare for, and conduct this trip on your own, you have assumed the full and sole responsibility for your safety and for putting in place plans for dealing with emergencies. I specifically want to make clear that while you are receiving financial support from the Dartmouth Outing Club, neither the Dartmouth Outing Club, Outdoor Programs or Dartmouth College assumes any responsibility for your safety or any liability for any loss or injury occurring on or in conjunction with the expedition.

We wish you the best of luck on this challenging and unique adventure.

Sincerely,  
The Schlitz Fund Committee

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and your understanding of its contents by signing below.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:

Emergency contact information while on this trip: