



The Buffalo Chips Running Club

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To be considered for the Devil's Thumb slot at Western States, a Buffalo Chip club member must first meet all of the WS 100 qualifications (see below) and should have a significant history of volunteering for the aid station, the Club, and for the WS race.

This volunteer activity will be paramount in selecting the runner to get the aid station slot. It is possible that in some years no-one will be deemed to have met the minimum volunteer requirements, and the DR slot will be returned to the WS organization to be awarded to another deserving individual with significant volunteer contributions.

Interested runners should apply to the Buffalo Chips Western States committee no later than **November 8**, prior to the year in which they want to run. The application should include a running resume and a short letter explaining why they believe they are deserving of the slot.

APPLICATION FOR THE DEVIL'S THUMB AID STATION CAPTAIN'S DESIGNATED
RUNNER (DR) SPOT FOR THE NEXT WESTERN STATES ENDURANCE RUN

(Please submit prior to **November 8**)

I understand that each Aid Station Captain is allotted a DESIGNATED RUNNER (DR) entry into WSER every year and that the underlying purpose of the entry is to reward dedicated essential volunteers for their significant time in helping maintain the stellar reputation of WSER, as well as to provide Captains with a means to entice long term quality volunteers.

I certify that I have helped maintain WSER as a volunteer, have met the qualifications in this application, and seek the Devils Thumb DR entry to the WSER next June.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN THE DEVIL'S THUMB AID STATION
DR ENTRY FOR WESTERN STATES:

I certify that I meet the following minimum qualifications for designation of the DR entry:

(Print)

(Sign)

(Date)

1. I have run a qualifying race within the appropriate time period. See <http://www.wser.org/qualifying-races/> for qualifying standards, races and times. It is the runner's responsibility to be sure his race is on the official list of qualifying races.
2. I will properly register for the Lottery by the application deadline. See <http://www.wser.org/entry-process/> for the application process. I understand that if my application is rejected for any reason that I am not eligible for the DR entry.
3. I will Fulfill at least 8 hours of volunteer work at WSER, as part of my application process. This may include the Memorial Weekend training runs, or other WSER projects (see <http://www.wser.org/service-requirement/>) prior to the race and will forfeit my race entry and will not be allowed to run if this requirement is not fulfilled prior to the race. I understand that this will be an additional 8 hours of volunteer work if the runner's race application requirement was fulfilled at a run

not associated with WSER. The WSER volunteer hours should be submitted on the same service requirement form, and be signed off by the WSER Aid Station Captain.

4. I understand that the DR entry is selected prior to the lottery. If I am selected, I understand my name will be removed from the lottery list, my credit card will be charged for the race entry fee prior to the lottery and I will be added as an official entrant when my credit card is charged.

5. I understand that each Aid Station Captain is given only one DR entry and that I have not applied for more than one Aid Stations DR entry.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS:

Attach the following to your application:

1. A "running" resume which should show that you are capable of completing WSER within the time limits of the run.

2. A short letter explaining why you are deserving of the Devil's Thumb DR entry. The committee will consider your volunteer service to the Devil's Thumb Aid Station, your history and dedication to the Buffalo Chips running club, and your volunteer service to the WSER. The expectation is that a successful applicant for the Devils Thumb AS DR slot will have provided a minimum of 3 consecutive years of essential volunteer service to the Devils Thumb Aid Station.