

Snake River BASE Academy

Higher Education for Lower Freefall

BASE Jumping Guidelines for the Perrine Bridge:

1) Call the Sheriff dispatch before the start of every jumping day (+1 208 735-1911)

The Sheriff has asked that we call the dispatch at the beginning of any day when there are jumpers on the bridge. This is so that the dispatch operator can calm anyone who calls in the emergency number to report a suicide jumper, and explain that BASE is normal and accepted here. If we do not call, the Sheriff has to send a patrol car to investigate whenever jumpers are reported at the bridge.

2) Please do not stand on top of the handrail.

The transportation department, which owns the bridge, has asked that jumpers not stand on top of the handrail because it distracts motorists, and they are concerned that it may cause motor vehicle accidents on the bridge. The bridge is the main entry to town from the interstate, and accidents on the bridge back traffic up all the way through town.

3) When using planks/platforms, remove them when not jumping.

If you place a plank or exit platform, please remove it when your party is not physically present at the bridge (either packing at the visitor center or in the park at the bottom, or jumping, hiking, or riding out). If you leave the bridge for any reason (even to get lunch or to pack at a hotel), please remove launch platforms until you return. Always remove platforms at the end of every jumping day.

4) Respect the local people.

Twin Falls is a small, rural, conservative, American community. Be aware that nudity, excessive profanity, drug use, or excessive drinking will give jumpers a bad reputation here. Beer in public is acceptable, so coolers in the park are no problem. Music, so long as it's not overly explicit, has also never been a problem.

5) Don't climb onto the lower steel.

There is a specific state law forbidding members of the general public from climbing onto the lower steel and catwalk below the road deck of the bridge. Please respect this by staying on the sidewalk on the top of the bridge.

6) For boat service call Don Mayes (+1 208 731-6448)

If you need boat service to ferry you back to Centennial Park, Don Mayes has been shuttling BASE jumpers for years. Don also has brochures and business cards at the visitor center at the top of the bridge.

For more information, help finding the trails, or specific questions, feel free to contact Tom Aiello (208 420-2602), Tom@SnakeRiverBASE.com.

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