

REGISTRATION OF TOUR OPERATORS WITH IMF

1. IMF is an apex body in India, with the objective of organising, supporting and providing a base for mountaineering, skiing, sports climbing, trekking and related Himalayan outdoor activities.
2. It is the endeavour of IMF to provide quality services and memorable experience to all Indian and foreign teams organizing expeditions in Indian Himalaya. The Tour Operators will be registered with IMF, based on following parameters:-
 - (a) Proof relating to recognition of agency by central Govt or state Govt Tourism Department.
 - (b) Contact details of proprietor (s) and agency.
 - (c) Fee of Rs. 11000/- to IMF (Rs. 1000/- as one time registration fee and Rs. 10,000/- as annual service charges).

BENEFITS OF REGISTRATION WITH IMF

IMF recommends only registered tour operators to expeditions seeking IMF permission. Besides this, benefits that may be accrued by Tour Operators by registering with IMF are as under:-

- (a) Use IMF image and logo (indicate '*Registered*' under the logo).
- (b) Book a peak on behalf of the team(s).
- (c) Participation in expeditions by staff without paying any fees to IMF.
- (d) Issue of IMF Journal and newsletters.
- (e) Custom exemption to import adventure related equipment for its own use along with an undertaking that such stores will not be sold.
- (f) Grant of 30 day special casual leave in a calendar year to Government employee undertaking IMF recognized adventure activity.
- (g) Equipment would be available for hire against security deposit.
- (h) Participation in activities organised/ undertaken by various IMF Zonal Committees.
- (i) Concession of fees for IMF "Affiliate Membership".
- (j) Discount on charges for IMF dormitory and climbing wall.

UNDERTAKING BY THE AGENCY

1. The agency/company here by undertakes that:-
 - (a) IMF will not be held responsible for any accident during the journey or conduct of adventure activity.
 - (b) It will be liable for cancellation of registration for not paying annual fee for maximum up to a year after the due date.
 - (c) It will not undertake any anti – state activity.
 - (d) It will adhere to all climbing rules and guidelines issued by IMF from time to time
 - (e) It has qualified mountaineer in its management, who have and participated in mountaineering expedition.
 - (f) It has adequate stores like tents, hyperbaric chamber, oxygen cylinders and UIAA certified hardware equipment.
 - (g) It will employ experienced guides as per IMF policy approved from time to time.
 - (h) It will follow the environment guide lines as laid down by IMF.
 - (i) It will comply with IMF safety, environment and other guide lines issued from time to time. If found wanting during surprise check or through feedback, the Agency shall be liable for IMF regulatory action.
 - (j) For any legal dispute, the jurisdiction territory will be Delhi.

2. It is stated that all information forwarded to IMF is correct to the best of our knowledge.