

Summit to Sound Search and Rescue: Membership Application

This is an application for membership in Summit to Sound Search and Rescue, a private not for profit organization whose mission is to provide professional level search and rescue services through the Whatcom County Sheriff's Office. To achieve this goal, we:

- Train to provide professional level search and rescue service
- Educate to maximize safety of individuals participating in outdoor activities
- Respond to complement other county and state rescue services

Name: (Last) _____ (First) _____ (MI) _____

If you have a current Emergency Worker Card issued by Whatcom County, what is the card number _____ and expiration date: __/ __/____; if not, please complete the DEM card application.

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Driver's License Number _____

Phone Numbers:

Type = (home, cell, work, page, other):

1: (____) _____ - _____ type: _____

2: (____) _____ - _____ type: _____

3: (____) _____ - _____ type: _____

4: (____) _____ - _____ type: _____

Email address(s) where you want to receive electronic correspondence.

(1) _____

(2) _____

Areas of Interest (check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ground SAR (Search on foot) | <input type="checkbox"/> Communications (Run radio/keep log) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Search Dog Handling (Search with dog) | <input type="checkbox"/> Logistics Section (Supply a SAR) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ATVs (Search/transport by ATV) | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance/Administration (Keep records) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> EMS (State EMT certified) | <input type="checkbox"/> Information Officer (Talk/write to media) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equine (Search by Horseback) | <input type="checkbox"/> Operations Section (Manage a mission) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swiftwater (Search/recover in water) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Please provide a letter detailing why you would like to join the organization and how you think you could contribute to the organization's mission.

Include a copy of your current State Driver's License and a copy of your current Proof of Insurance.

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Board of Directors	Administration Section
Decision: _____	Date Record Created: _____/____/____
Date: __/__/____ Chair: _____	Date included on roster: _____/____/____
DEM Office	By-laws/Policies reviewed: _____/____/____
Background check completed: _____/____/____	Pack check: _____/____/____
Emergency Worker Card #: _____	Date probation ended: _____/____/____
	Date added to WhatcomES.org _____/____/____

Summit to Sound Search and Rescue: Training and Qualifications Requirements

Trainee:

- Possession of Emergency Worker Card issued by the Division of Emergency Management (DEM).
Having the application for the EWC submitted to the DEM through the unit is sufficient until the actual card is issued by the DEM.
- Proof of a valid State Driver's License (if eligible) on file.
Provided for unit records at the time of the unit application. It is the member's responsibility to maintain current license and inform the unit president if status changes.
- Proof of Auto Insurance on file.
Provided for unit records at the time of the unit application. It is the member's responsibility to maintain current insurance.

Limited Support SAR Responder:

- Qualifications of Trainee
- FEMA ICS 100
- FEMA ICS 700
- Current First Aid/CPR/BBP Card
- Annual Pack Check by the Training Officer or Ground Group Leader (11 Essentials)
- STS Base Camp Orientation Class
- SARGAR Class
- CC Legal Issues Class & Written Exam
- CC Radio Communications Class & Written Exam
- CC Searcher Safety Class & Written Exam
- CC Physical and Mental Fitness Written Exam

Support SAR Responder:

- Qualifications of Limited Support SAR Responder
- CC Survival Skills Class & Written Exam
- CC Crime Scene Identification and Management Class & Written Exam
- CC Search Organization and Management Class & Written Exam
- CC Helicopter Safety Class & Written Exam
- CC Search Techniques Class & Written Exam
- CC Rescue Techniques Class & Written Exam
- CC Land Navigation Class & Written Exam
- CC GPS Operation Class & Written Exam
- CC Subject and Searcher First Aid Class & Written Exam

- CC Searcher Safety Performance Evaluation
- CC Subject and Searcher First Aid Performance Evaluation
- 24 hours of training annually.

Limited Field SAR Responder:

- Qualifications of Support SAR Responder
- CC Land Navigation Performance Evaluation
- CC GPS Operation Performance Evaluation

Field Qualified SAR Responder:

- Qualifications of Limited Field SAR Responder
- CC Radio Communications Performance Evaluation
- CC Survival Skills Performance Evaluation
- CC Search Techniques Performance Evaluation
- CC Rescue Techniques Performance Evaluation

Team Lead (TL):

- Qualifications of Field SAR Responder
- Approval by the StS Board of Directors (reviewed annually)

Operations Chief (OC):

- Current Support SAR Responder
- Current or previous Field Qualified SAR Responder
- Unit approved Search Management Systems course
- Approval by the StS Board of Directors (reviewed annually)

All training courses must be redone every three years, with the following exceptions:

- First Aid/CPR/BBP cards must be kept current by the standards of the issuing agency.
- ICS 100 (IS-100-B) and ICS 700 (IS-700-A) do not need to be retaken.
- Pack checks and required training hours are evaluated annually.

Courses with a written evaluation or performance evaluation may be challenged for recertification.

Training and Qualifications Chart

	Topic	Trainee	Limited Support SAR Responder		Support SAR Responder				Limited Field SAR Responder				Field Qualified SAR Responder			
CC	Valid State Driver's License (if eligible)*	On File														
CC	Proof of Insurance (POV)*	On File														
CC	Emergency Worker Card**	On File														
CC	First Aid/CPR/BBP Card		OF		OF				OF				OF			
STS	Annual Pack Check (11 Essentials)		Verified		Verified				Verified				Verified			
STS	Base Camp Orientation		C		C				C				C			
WC	SAR-GAR		C		C				C				C			
CC	Legal Issues		C	WE	C	WE			C	WE			C	WE		
CC	Radio Communications		C	WE	C	WE			C	WE			C	WE		PE
CC	IS-100-B		C	WE	C	WE			C	WE			C	WE		
CC	IS-700-A		C	WE	C	WE			C	WE			C	WE		
CC	Searcher Safety		C	WE	C	WE		PE	C	WE		PE	C	WE		PE
CC	Physical & Mental Fitness			WE		WE				WE				WE		
CC	Survival Skills & Equipment				C	WE			C	WE			C	WE	F	PE
CC	Crime Scene Identifications & Management				C	WE			C	WE			C	WE		
CC	Search Organization & Management				C	WE			C	WE			C	WE		
CC	Helicopter Safety				C	WE			C	WE			C	WE		
CC	Search Techniques				C	WE			C	WE			C	WE	F	PE
CC	Rescue Techniques				C	WE			C	WE			C	WE	F	PE
CC	Land Navigation				C	WE			C	WE	F	PE	C	WE	F	PE
CC	GPS Operation				C	WE			C	WE	F	PE	C	WE	F	PE
CC	Subject & Searcher First Aid				C	WE	F	PE	C	WE	F	PE	C	WE	F	PE
CC	24 Hours Training Annually				Hours Recorded On File				Hours Recorded On File				Hours Recorded On File			

* Provided for unit records at the time of unit application. It is member's responsibility to maintain current license and insurance.

** Having the application for Emergency Worker Card submitted to the DEM through the unit is sufficient until the actual card is issued by the DEM.

OF = On File

C = Classroom Training (or Online Equivalent)

WE = Written Evaluation (70%)

F = Field Training

PE = Performance Evaluation

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