

SAR ADVANCED TEAM LEADER'S COURSE

FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN FURTHER DEVELOPING THEIR ABILITY IN LEADING A SAR TEAM IN DIFFICULT TERRAIN

AUGUST 22RD-26TH, 2013

OBJECTIVE

- The objective of this intensive course is to develop the skills necessary to safely lead SAR teams while traveling in wilderness and mountainous non-technical terrain.
- The Search & Rescue Team Leader (SARTL) is responsible for the safety of their search team as well as carrying out the mission assigned by the search management team. Its important that team leaders are competent, with developed skills and judgement. This course is perhaps the most comprehensive course available in Alberta to prepare Team Leaders for field assignments

WHO'S IT GEARED FOR:

- This program is designed specifically for Ground Search & Rescue (GSAR). Ideal candidates will already have a foundation of outdoor skills and are looking to further develop their skills as a team leader.
- During the 3 field day's participants are evaluated on a variety of skills including general GSAR knowledge, team leadership, group care, movement skills, etc. Strong emphasis is placed on route finding, terrain evaluation and navigation while in difficult terrain.



TOPICS INCLUDE

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fundamentals of Outdoor Leadership• Helicopter Safety• Emergency Response• Group Care & Dynamics | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Route Selection• Navigation• Risk Management• Review of Best Practises in Field Environment |
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COURSE FORMAT:

1. **TWO EVENING CLASSROOM SESSIONS: AUG. 22ND - 23RD**
2. **THREE DAY WEEKEND BACKPACK: AUG. 24TH TO 26TH**

- The three field days are a backpacking trip that include two overnight stays in a remote area of the southern Canadian Rockies. The outdoor portion provides an opportunity for each candidate to demonstrate their ability to lead a group through difficult terrain safely.
- The course, under the guidance of experienced instructors, will be based on a small (8 students) group teaching format. The leadership of the group will be rotated among the students in turn, while being coached throughout. Each evening advanced SAR topics will be discussed and practiced.



DIFFICULTY / FITNESS

- Participants must be in good physical shape and can be expected during the backcountry phase to travel 15 km a day off-trail, with an elevation gain of 700m, while wearing a backpack.

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