



Union County Search and Rescue

Application For Membership



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Personal Information

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| Full Legal Name | | | | Phone: | |
| Last | First | Middle | Nickname | | |
| Mailing Address | | | | | |
| Residential Address | | | | | |
| Birthdate | "Sex: M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> | Age: | Ht | Wt: | |
| Place of Birth | | | Length of Residence in Union County: | | |
| Name of Spouse | | | Valid Oregon Driver's License #: | | |
| Distinguishing Marks / Tattoos | | | Do You Wear Corrective Lenses? | | |
| Any Prior Affiliation with Search and Rescue? | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | If Yes, What County / State: | | |
| Are You Currently State Certified in SAR? | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | | | |
| Have You Ever Been Found Guilty of Any Crime Including Any Traffic Crime? | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | | | |
| Have You Had Any Medical Training? | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | If Yes, Explain: | | |
| Have You Had Any Military Training? | | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | If Yes, Explain: | | |
| Do You Have Any Special Training / Experience, or Resources That Would Benefit the Search & Rescue Unit? | | | | | |
| Snowmobiles <input type="checkbox"/> Horses <input type="checkbox"/> ATV <input type="checkbox"/> Skiing <input type="checkbox"/> Tracking <input type="checkbox"/> Rock Climbing <input type="checkbox"/> Back Packing <input type="checkbox"/> Other (list) <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | |
| Is There Anything in Your Religious or Moral Beliefs That would Keep You From Working at Any Time of the Day or Night, any Day of the Week, for a Search & Rescue Mission? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, Explain; | | | | | |
| Why Are You Interested in the Field of Search & Rescue? | | | | | |

Employment Information

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| Employing Firm: | Telephone: | |
| Address: | Supervisor: | |
| Occupation: | Years With Company: | Shift: |
| Previous Employer: | Telephone: | |
| Does Your Current Employer Approve of You Being Away from Work on a Search? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | | |

Personal References

List People Not Related to You by Blood or Marriage

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| Name: | Time Known: — | Address: Phone: |
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Medical

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| Do You Have Any Physical Limitations That Would Restrict Your Ability to be Fully Active in the Field? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, Describe: |
| Do You Have Any Allergies? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, List: |
| Do You Have Any Special Medical Needs (i.e. Insulin dependent, etc.)? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, List: |
| Do You Currently Suffer from a Back Injury, Heart or Lung Disease, or Have Any Artificial Joints? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, Describe: |

List Local Emergency Contacts

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| Name: | Address: | Phone: | Relationship: |
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Membership Status

- I Wish to Apply for *Associate* Membership status (Support services, not active in the field).
 I Wish to Apply for *Active* Membership status (Full field search and rescue activities).

I have the time and willingness to dedicate myself to the training required to pass the minimum State Certification Requirements within two years of joining and will maintain that certification with thirty (30) hours of continuing education per year thereafter. Yes No (Please Initial _____)

To Whom it May Concern:

I respectfully request and authorize any person, current employer, past employer, or organization named in my application to provide Union County with relevant information and opinions that may be useful to them. I hereby, release such persons, organizations, and others from any legal liability which may result from providing the requested information.

Applicant

Date

Applicant's Signature

I hereby certify that all statements made in this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge

UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S
SEARCH AND RESCUE UNIT
("SAR")

THE MISSION:

- A. The mission of SAR is to support the office of the Union County Sheriff.
- B. Special emphasis of SAR will be search and rescue operations.
- C. Secondary effort will be made to promote, facilitate and coordinate public education on the hazards of outdoor recreation, proper preparation, and what to do when lost, with the purpose of prevention in mind.
- D. Additional efforts will be directed toward the betterment of the county and its communities, especially including assistance during local emergencies or disasters.

THE ORGANIZATION:

Cut-replay, Union County SAR has 43 members. We elect four officers, and have a Board of Control, which consists of the officers, the Sheriff, two elected members of the Board and the past Captain.

Each search operation is conducted, using the Incident Command System (ICS). ICS is used in SAR missions throughout Oregon, so that any County's SAR unit can help another-

- PERSONAL GEAR:

Each member is required to provide his/her own field gear. This includes clothing suitable for the season (including weather extremes), survival gear, and a decimated compass. If you do not already own these items, the initial outlay can be quite costly. Do not purchase any of these items until after you have attended our Orientation Session. At that time you will be given instruction on proper clothing and items needed for a 24-hour survival pack.

You need to provide your own transportation to the Sheriff's Office for a search "mission." The organization does own a Suburban and a pickup for transportaion. Additionally, some members bring their own 4WD pickups for use on searches. Members bring personal snowmobiles, ATVs and/or trailered horses, though this is not required_ Upon completion of a search, SAR reimburses the gasoline expense for private vehicles used on the mission.

SEARCHES:

Union County SAR receives a "Call Out" between 16-20 times per year. These may be at any time during the year, though the hunting seasons, and the mushroom season are the busiest

times.

Call Outs are usually called during the evening/late night hours. Union County SAR believes "A Search, Is An Emergency," so a search starts at the time of the initial report of the lost person. Often, searches are brief. There may be several missions where the lost party is found before SAR is fully mobilized and leaves the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Searches can last for several days, though that is not the norm.

- b. Map and Compass
- c. Search Techniques and Strategy
- d. Crime Scene Security
- e. Chapter 401, Oregon Revised Statutes
- f. Emergency Survival Skills
- g. Incident Command System
- h. Man Tracking
- i. Helicopter Safety

3. Attend at least 30 hours of continuing education, approved by the Sheriff, each year thereafter, in a field related to search and rescue.

HOW DO I GET STATE CERTIFICATION TRAINING?

Union County SAR's Training Officer will offer classes on each of these topics once per year. You will need to attend the class and take the test for each topic. The classroom portion of this training is expected to take two to three months, with classes held in the evenings and at least three Saturdays. Classes are offered in the Winter/Spring months. A Class schedule will be made available as early in the year as possible.

There is no charge to Union County SAR members for the 30 hours of continuing education required. Training is done at the scheduled meetings, at Winter and Summer Camp, and specialized training is available both within and outside Union County. SAR will reimburse tuition on approved classes completed.