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**STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY**

**WILDERNESS SEARCH & RESCUE**

\*\*\* PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE

NAME OF DEPARTMENT \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ ST. ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

COMM CENTER PHONE #( ) \_\_\_\_\_ BUSINESS PHONE #( ) \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT CELL PHONE #( ) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX # \_\_\_\_\_

CAPTAIN/CHIEF \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE #( ) \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE #( ) \_\_\_\_\_ CELL #( ) \_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

WORK PHONE #( ) \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE #( ) \_\_\_\_\_ CELL #( ) \_\_\_\_\_

DOES YOUR SQUAD PROVIDE?

RESCUE ONLY \_\_\_ EMS ONLY \_\_\_ EMS/FIRE \_\_\_ EMS/RESCUE \_\_\_ EMS/FIRE/RESCUE \_\_\_ FIRE/RESCUE \_\_\_

**DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO CERTIFY & MUST ACCOMPANY THIS STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY:**

- 1) COPY OF STATE CHARTER**
- 2) AUTHORITY TO OPERATE WITH CITY/COUNTY**

# **AUTHORITY TO OPERATE**

## **TO BE SIGNED & NOTARIZED BY CITY OR COUNTY OFFICIAL**

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Department

IS AN ACTIVE OPERATING SERVICE, OPERATING IN \_\_\_\_\_ CITY  
OR COUNTY AND IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE **WILDERNESS SEARCH & RESCUE** IN THE ABOVE  
MENTIONED CITY OR COUNTY.

\_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY OR CITY OFFICIAL PRINT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNED

\_\_\_\_\_  
TITLE

(NOTARY SEAL)

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

ON THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_, APPEARED BEFORE ME THE SAID INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED HEREIN  
AND WHO EXECUTED THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT, AND HE (OR SHE) DULY ACKNOWLEDGED TO ME THAT HE (OR SHE) EXECUTED SAME  
AND THAT THE STATEMENT THEREIN CONTAINED WERE TRUE TO THE BEST OF HIS (OR HER) KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: \_\_\_\_\_ NOTARY PUBLIC

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## **BOTH SIGNATURES ARE REQUIRED**

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# MINIMUM STANDARD REQUIREMENTS - NCAR&EMS

## WILDERNESS SEARCH & RESCUE

WILDERNESS SEARCH & RESCUE IS DEFINED AS ADVANCE RESCUE AND BASIC LIFE SUPPORT FUNCTIONS AS AN INITIAL RESPONDER WITH ADVANCED EQUIPMENT AND SKILLS.

### 1. MINIMUM PERSONNEL / ORGANIZATION REQUIREMENTS:

NUMBER OF PERSONNEL WITH CERTIFICATION

(ENTER NUMBER OF PERSONNEL WITH EACH CERTIFICATION)

FIRST RESPONDER - \_\_\_\_\_ MEDICAL RESPONDER - \_\_\_\_\_ EMT - \_\_\_\_\_

EMT-I - \_\_\_\_\_ EMT-P - \_\_\_\_\_ RESCUE CERTIFIED - \_\_\_\_\_ RN/MICN - \_\_\_\_\_

**A MINIMUM OF EIGHT (8) PERSONNEL SHALL HOLD RESCUE CERTIFICATIONS AS ERT, RT-VMR & RT-ROPES, TR-GENERAL & TR-WILDERNESS OR TECHNICAL RESCUER & TR WILDERNESS.**

**Note if previously certified as ERT, RT-VMR & RT-ROPES you must also be certified as TR WILDERNESS TECHNICAN.**

### 2. TYPE OF RESCUE TO PERFORM:

AS SPECIFIED BY THE CONTRACT WITH THE AHJ

### 3. VEHICLE:

VEHICLE(S) USED FOR WILDERNESS SEARCH & RESCUE SHALL BE CAPABLE OF TRANSPORTING RESCUE PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT TO AN INCIDENT SAFELY AND CANNOT EXCEED THE VEHICLE'S TOTAL GVWR, INCLUDING THE CHASSIS, BODY, AND RESCUE EQUIPMENT AND MEDICAL CARE EQUIPMENT WHEN LOADED. ALL EQUIPMENT SHALL BE LOADED ON APPARATUS AND RESPONSE READY.

4. MINIMUM REQUIRED EQUIPMENT:      DEPT. NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NCAR&EMS, INC.,  
REPRESENTATIVE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED:      YES      NO INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

NIMS TYPE: \_\_\_\_\_

I, II, III, and IV (See #5 on Page 5)

This standard currently meets Type IV

For organizations wishing to certify at a higher level see page 5

**YOU MUST HAVE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO MEET ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR CERTIFICATION IN ADDITION TO THE LISTED EQUIPMENT FOR LIGHT RESCUE**

**Wilderness Search & Rescue Equipment**

**Team Equipment:**

- \_\_\_ 2 GPS w/Spare Batteries
- \_\_\_ SAR Resource list

Personal protective equipment to include the following: (8 sets minimum)

Note: These 8 sets of PPE may be issued to the department's members and may not necessarily housed at the department as some departments choose to issue their SAR Packs to their members for a more rapid response.

\_\_\_ Clothing Adequate for the Environment (These should be quick drying, durable and suitable for the expected climate & hazards.)

- \_\_\_ Boots
- \_\_\_ Leather palmed gloves
- \_\_\_ Headwear Adequate for the Environment
- \_\_\_ Multi-purpose knife
- \_\_\_ Water Container capable of carrying a minimum of 2qts per day
- \_\_\_ 1 pr. safety glasses/goggles
- \_\_\_ 1 whistle
- \_\_\_ 1 UTM Grid reader
- \_\_\_ 1 compass
- \_\_\_ 2 flashlights w/Spare Batteries
- \_\_\_ 1 set rain gear
- \_\_\_ 1 tracking stick (42" long)
- \_\_\_ 1 Agency ID
- \_\_\_ 1 Watch
- \_\_\_ 1 18" minimum measuring device
- \_\_\_ 1 pad and pencil / pen
- \_\_\_ 2 ICS 214 forms
- \_\_\_ 50 FT of Cordage
- \_\_\_ 8 Plastic zip ties
- \_\_\_ 1 Signaling mirror

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- \_\_\_ 1 Toilet paper or baby wipes
- \_\_\_ 1 Metal cup or pot
- \_\_\_ 1 Black or blue permanent marker
- \_\_\_ 1 Roll of flagging or surveyor tape
- \_\_\_ 4 Zip lock bags
- \_\_\_ 1 Sunscreen lotion

- \_\_\_ 1 Lip balm
- \_\_\_ 1 Insect repellent
- \_\_\_ 1 Waterproof clothes bag
- \_\_\_ 1 1 - inch tubular webbing (length suitable for harness)
- \_\_\_ 2 Prussik slings - LENGTHS MAY VARY PER THE AHJ'S NEEDS. ALL SOFTWARE MUST MEET NFPA 2500 GENERAL USE REQUIREMENTS, UNLESS YOU HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY INSPECTED BY A PREVIOUS NCAREMS STANDARD AND RETAINED THAT EQUIPMENT. (Note: EYE TO EYE OR SOWN SLINGS MAY BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE ABOVE BUT MUST MEET THE REQUIREMENTS of NFPA 2500 GENERAL USE AND BE CORRECTLY SIZED FOR THE SIZE OF ROPE BEING USED)
- \_\_\_ 2 Locking carabiners - MUST MEET NFPA 2500 GENERAL USE REQUIREMENTS (ALUMINUM MUST BE STAMPED). HARDWARE MUST BE SPECIFICALLY SIZED FOR THE SIZE OF ROPE BEING USED. THESE UPDATES ARE NOT REQUIRED IF YOU HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY INSPECTED BY A PREVIOUS NCAREMS STANDARD AND HAVE RETAINED THAT EQUIPMENT.

- \_\_\_ 1 Shelter Material, 8x10 plastic or coated nylon
- \_\_\_ Backpack capable of carrying the following:

**Personal First Aid and Survival Kit**

- 1 - Plastic bag, zip lock, qt. size, for kit
- 4 - Antihistamine tablets, diphenhydramine 25mg.
- 1 - Pair of trauma shears
- 2 - Pair of exam gloves
- 4 - Acetaminophen or aspirin tablets
- 4 - Antacid tablets
- 2 - Antiseptic cleansing pads
- 1 - Antiseptic ointment
- 6 - Band aids, various sizes
- 1 - Candle, long burning
- 2 - Cotton swabs, non sterile
- 1 - Duct tape, 5-10 ft.
- 1 - Leaf bag, large
- 8 - Matches in a waterproof container
- 1 - Moleskin
- 1 - Razor blade, single edge safety type
- 1 - Roller gauze bandage
- 2 - Safety pins, large
- 1 - Splinter forceps, tweezers
- 1 - Space type blanket or space type sleeping bag
- 1 - Towelette, clean
- 1 - Whistle

**5. NIMS TYPING INFORMATION:**

This standard currently meets NMIS Typing Criteria IV. Organizations wishing to certify at a higher level must meet the additional requirements for personnel, training and equipment. Organizations who currently have 8 personnel who meet the NFPA 1670 Level of Wilderness Search and Rescue will meet NIMS Type III with the above equipment. To locate this information cut

and paste the following link into your web browser. Under the heading of "Search and Rescue" locate "Wilderness Search and Rescue Team" and follow the specific guidelines.

<https://rtlt.preptoolkit.fema.gov/Public/Resource/ViewFile/8-508-1023?type=Pdf&q=WILDERNESS>

Note: NFPA 1006 is the Professional Qualification for the Technical Rescuer while NFPA 1670 is the Standard on Operations and Training for Technical Search and Rescue Incidents. The two should not be confused but work hand and hand with each other.

Note: This pack equipment list is compliant with the NCEM Land Search Field Team Member equipment pack.