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Announcing the Ground Search Team Leader Course

Where: Kamloops, Central Region

When: May 27 - 29, 2011

Application Deadline: April 17, 2011

Course Times:

Friday 1830 - 2200hrs (classroom)

Saturday 0800 - 2200hrs (classroom & field)

Sunday 0830 - 1630hrs (classroom & field)

Course Description: The intent of this course is to provide trained ground search and rescue (GSAR) volunteers with the knowledge and practical team leader skills necessary to safely and effectively plan, organize, lead, supervise and execute a ground search and rescue team assignment. The course focuses on the roles and responsibilities of the ground search team leader as they relate to each aspect of a GSAR assignment, covering topics that include basic leadership skills, safety guidelines, reporting and documentation requirements, team briefing/debriefing, advanced search tactics, liability protection, and an overview of the Incident Command structure as it applies to SAR.

The course consists of extensive evaluative components including a navigation skills assessment, oral briefing presentation, team leader simulation and final

examination. Student must pass each component with a minimum of 70% to pass the course.

Note: Completion of pre-reading, viewing of the GSTL video, a GSAR Review Quiz, a Team Briefing Assignment and the online Incident Command System Level 100 course (CMD112) are required prior to attending the GSTL course. Details including how to access the CMD112 course will be emailed along with confirmation of your acceptance no later than 4 weeks before the course start date. Students will need to spend approximately 6-8 hours to complete the pre-course materials.

Prerequisites: Participants must be a member of a PEP recognized SAR group and have a GSAR certificate. All documentation of the GSAR completion must be received by the JIBC before the application deadline. Participants should have significant field experience, proven leadership potential, and comprehensive knowledge of GSAR skills (including superior map and compass skills).

Costs: There are no course fees. Students are responsible for their own travel, meals and accommodations.

As a result of the funding provided by EMBC, RCMP and BCSARA, there are no course fees for the students. Upon submission of an [expense reimbursement form](#), BCSARA will reimburse student mileage at \$0.32 per km for students from within the region where the course is held. Mileage reimbursements for out-of-region students will be considered on an individual basis upon prior application made thru your BCSARA Regional Director. Contact your Regional Director directly for details. If you do not know who your Regional Director is, contact sarsupport@bcsara.com to find out. For general inquiries/comments, contact vice-president@bcsara.com.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: April 17, 2011

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To be eligible, submit applications BEFORE the deadline. All applications need to

be signed by the Training Officer or President of group.

To apply, follow the [application link](#) and submit your applications to sar@jibc.ca or fax to [604.528.5798](tel:604.528.5798)



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