

# **Direction and Control of the Search Function “Winter SAR Operations”**

## **WINTER SEARCH MANAGEMENT SEARCH AND RESCUE COURSE**

**Montecito Sequoia Lodge  
February 3rd – February 7th, 2020**

**POST CONTROL NUMBER: 9410-23110-019-001**

**“Direction and Control of the Search Function - Winter SAR Operations”** is a 5-Day, 40-hour POST approved classroom and field instruction course with trained, professional, experienced instructors. The course is designed by the California Governor’s Office of Emergency Services, Law Enforcement Branch for search and rescue coordinators in agencies that may need to conduct a search and rescue mission during severe winter conditions. The course is directed toward search and rescue coordinators, their alternates, team leaders and others having those management responsibilities.

Course objectives include:

- How to properly manage a winter search.
- Understand the importance of the Winter Search Pre-plan.
- Identification and utilization of winter resources; discuss their functions and limitations.
- Special considerations for cold weather operations.
- Understanding cold weather medical injuries and hypothermia.
- The selection of mountain backpacks, contents, and personal clothing.
- Identify key factors in avalanche rescue.
- Utilization of aircraft in winter operations.
- Winter ground search mobility (Nordic skiing, snow shoeing, special equipment, etc.).
- Personal survival in “winter” conditions (sheltering).

**DATE and TIME**

February 3 – February 7, 2020  
0800 – 1700  
Check-in Sunday, February 2, 2020.

**COURSE LODGING**

Montecito Sequoia Lodge  
63410 General's Highway  
Kings Canyon National Park, CA 93633

**COURSE REGISTRATION:** Applicants should register online using the link below as soon as possible as class size is limited. After receiving your application we will confirm your attendance and deliver further instructions by email.

**HOW TO REGISTER:**

Use this link: <http://www.caloes.ca.gov/cal-oes-divisions/law-enforcement/training>

Or, you may go to [www.caloes.ca.gov](http://www.caloes.ca.gov), on the top home page select Response, then select Law Enforcement. On the right side of the page select Training, and then select Student Requirements/Application. After reviewing, click on the link to the Student Application. Complete the application form and submit.

**LODGING RESERVATIONS:**

The group has an agreement for a room rate of \$99.00 per night and \$30.00 per day for meals. Meals are required as there are no places to eat nearby or kitchens in the rooms.

Room reservations are on a first come, first served basis. Once you are notified that your application has been accepted, please make your room reservation ASAP.

**RESERVATION PHONE # 559-565-3388**

**GROUP # 317993**

**IMPORTANT NOTES:**

- Carry chains and check mountain passes for road closures prior to departing.
- A full attendee equipment list for the course will be provided.
- Volunteers, please obtain prior approval from your Sheriff's SAR Coordinator.

This course is certified by the California Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) under Plan IV, for full-time, regular law enforcement officers. Each student receives a manual, patch and a certificate upon course completion.

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