

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

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

**Mammoth Mountain Inn  
January 26-30, 2015**

**POST CONTROL NUMBER: 9410-23110-14-001**

**“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**

January 26-30, 2015  
0800 – 1700  
Check-in Sunday, January 25

**COURSE LODGING**

Mammoth Mountain Inn  
10400 Minaret Rd  
Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

**COURSE REGISTRATION:** Enrollment is on a first-come, first-served basis when applications are received by our office. Applicants should register as soon as possible since class size is limited. **Telephone registration will not be accepted.** After receiving your application we will confirm your attendance and deliver further instructions by email.

**HOW TO REGISTER:**

Use this link: <http://www.calema.ca.gov/LawEnforcement/Pages/Student-Requirements-and-Application.aspx>

Or 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 \$99/night for several queen and two queen room types. There is also a discounted rate for the weekends prior to and after the course, as well as other room type options. To make reservations, call 1-800-MAMMOTH. Reference our group:

**File Name:** Mono County Sheriff's Dept.

**Booking Name:** CalEMA Winter Search Mgmt Course 2015

**Booking ID:** 19930

Reservation cutoff date is January 4<sup>th</sup>.

**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.

**Questions? Contact Steve Brooks  
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