

Swiftwater Rescue Level I

This course is designed to provide information and hands on training to students/team members who may need to respond to a swift water call where no water entry is practical or possible. As defined by NFPA 1006/1670 guideline “water moving at a rate greater than 1 knot [1.85km/hr. (1.15 mph or 1.69 ft/sec)]”. Swift water is typically found in high hills, mountain areas or in flash flood areas designed for moving water away and represents water in a natural setting moving downhill. With large scale flooding now common in rural and urban environments, moving water may be swift and the need for safe and effective training programs are in demand.

The purpose of the Swiftwater program is to provide necessary skills and knowledge in performing life saving operations in swift water, and the importance of understanding the dangers of moving water such as strainers and hydraulics. This course is Colorado State P.O.S.T. approved.

Course cost: \$250 per student

Minimum students: 15

Additional cost: plus travel costs to include lodging meals and land transportation.

Ask about our agency discounts. Call 970-261-1334

Level 1 Student Prerequisites

1. 18 years old
2. Should be a member of a Emergency First Response group/
3. Must be a good swimmer, in good health and comfortable working in the water
4. CPR / AED / O2 / First Aid certified

Qualifications of Graduates

Awareness, Operational and Technician Level courses are for emergency response personnel who may be first on the scene of a swift water emergency. First responders at the awareness level are expected to recognize the presence of hazardous conditions, protect themselves, secure the area, and call for additional resources, activate an emergency plan, assess conditions and attempt a Reach or Throw rescue

****This is an extremely physically demanding course and potential for injury always exist students must be in excellent physical condition and be competent swimmers. All participants will be required to have an adequate health insurance, sign waivers and provide emergency contact.**

**Contact our office to host your
Swiftwater Rescue Training.**

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