



SWIFTWATER RESCUE

BOAT HANDLING OPERATIONS

HOSTED BY THE KENT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
GRAND RAPIDS, MI • MAY 14-16, 2021

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

OBJECTIVE • To improve student readiness to respond in swiftwater situations, students learn search techniques using motorized and non-motorized boats in swiftwater environments, focusing on safe navigation while accessing high probability search areas.

JUSTIFICATION • This training readies agency personnel for swiftwater response through in-classroom learning, pre-planning on dry land, moving onto slow or still water, and then into current. Any public safety agency responding to events in moving water benefits from this training.

CERTIFICATION • Swiftwater Rescue Boat Bowman / Boat Operator Technician

RECOMMENDED FOR • Water response teams and personnel expecting to use watercraft as rescue platforms or tools for search and recovery in moving water.

DURATION • 3 Days / 24 training hours

TUITION • \$400.00 (US Funds) per student

BE SURE TO BRING • US Coast Guard approved and swiftwater appropriate PFD with cutting tool and whistle, adequate clothing and protection from the environment, and pen and paper for note-taking and sketching. All students must also bring rope-handling gloves and a helmet. Students participating in-water must provide their own equipment including swiftwater appropriate exposure suit, gloves, and footwear.

TOPICS

Boat introduction--requirements, handling, and maintenance

Navigation of vessels

Paddling

High Siding

High riding in swiftwater

Eddy turns

Peel Outs

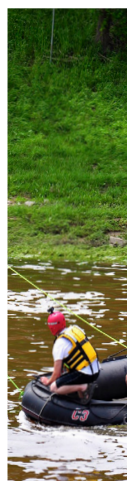
Closing

Bearing Away

Navigation hazards

Anchoring

Anticipating events in dynamic, swiftwater environments



SCHEDULE

DAY 1 of 3

1600-1630 Registration

1630-2000 Classroom/Begin Knots & Rigging

DAY 2 of 3

0800-1100 Knots & Rigging

1100-1300 Lake exercises

1300-1400 Meal Break

1400-1600 Lake Exercises

1600-1900 River Exercises

DAY 3 of 3

0800-1200 River Exercises

1200-1300 Meal Break

1300-1500 River Exercises

1500-1730 Rescue Exercises

1700-1800 Rescue Scenario

1800-1900 Q&A/Closing

Schedule is subject to change

LOCATION OF CLASS

Kent County Sheriff's Office

701 Ball Ave. NE

Grand Rapids, MI 49503

CLASS BEGINS AT 1600



MAKING IT HAPPEN

STUDENT PREREQUISITES

- At least 18 years of age
- Member of a public safety agency
- Swiftwater Rescue I Training from a recognized organization
- This course is designed for individuals who are physically fit (testing to 13 MET or better).

TRAVEL

- Check with DRI and confirm class before making airline reservations.

CANCELLATION

- Prior to 3 weeks: Full Refund
- 8-21 days prior: 50% Refund
- 0-7 days prior: No refund



PLEASE REGISTER ME

First Name _____ Last Name _____
Mailing Address _____
Best Phone _____ E-mail _____
Department _____ Department Phone _____

Payment Information (Credit Cards will be charged or Invoices will be sent 2 weeks before class)

☐ Personal Card

☐ Department Card

Credit Card Number _____ Exp _____ CVC _____
Billing Address _____
Name on Card _____ Phone Number _____

☐ Invoice my Department by Postal Service ☐ Invoice by E-mail

PO Number _____ **Please provide Dive Rescue International a copy of the PO**
Finance Department Phone Number _____
Finance Department Billing Address _____
Finance Department E-mail Address _____

SUGGESTED ACCOMODATIONS

Hampton Inn & Suites
433 Dudley Pl NE
Grand Rapids, MI 49503
Rate: Govt. (Approx. \$150 per night)
(616) 456-2000

AIRPORT

Gerald E. Ford International
20 Minutes / 10 Miles

TO REGISTER

ONLINE
www.DiveRescueIntl.com

IN PERSON OR BY POSTAL SERVICE
201 N Link Ln.
Fort Collins, CO 80524

BY PHONE
(800) 248 - 3483 X. 18

FAX THIS FORM
(970) 482 - 0893

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