



SWIFTWATER RESCUE TRAINER



DUDLEY, MASSACHUSETTS

HOSTED BY
DUDLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT -
METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COUNCIL

JUNE 15-19, 2026

OBJECTIVE

Dive Rescue International's Swiftwater Rescue Trainer Program is designed to enhance department readiness for one of the most high-risk environments: swiftwater and flood response. This program provides Trainers with a proven, practical system to standardize rescue techniques and elevate team performance. Using Swiftwater Rescue Student Kits, certified Trainers gain the ability to deliver Swiftwater I and II training directly to their own personnel. This not only builds internal capacity but also ensures consistent, high-quality instruction tailored to your team's operational needs. Participants leave the course with a complete training system, ready to implement immediately—upgrading department capabilities while maximizing training budgets.

An application is required prior to registration.

LOCATION OF CLASS

Dudley Fire Department
128 W Main St.
Dudley MA 01571

CLASS BEGINS AT 8:00 AM

DURATION: 5 Days / 75 Training Hours

TUITION: \$1,100.00 (US Funds) per student
includes text book

RECOMMENDED FOR: All first responders who organize and manage inherently dangerous or complicated swiftwater rescue events.

MAIN TOPICS

Teaching the Adult Learner
Preparation and Effective
Presentation of the Swiftwater
Rescue Program
Swiftwater Rescue II Program Overview
Testing and Evaluation of Students
Site Preparation for Swiftwater
Course Operations
Site Survey Hazard Identification
Personal Protective
Equipment Education

ESTIMATED SCHEDULE

DAY 1 of 5

8:00-12:00 Introductions, Course Preview,+ Team Building Skills
13:30-17:00 Pool Exercises
18:00-22:00 Classroom

DAY 2 of 5

8:00-12:00 Classroom w/ Field Exercises
13:00-17:00 Field Exercises
1800-2200 Classroom

DAY 3 of 5

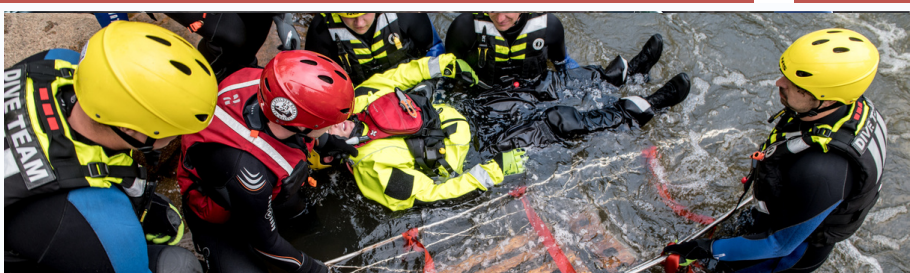
8:00- 12:00 Classroom w/ Field Exercises
13:00-17:00 River Exercises
18:00-22:00 Candidate Lectures

DAY 4 of 5

0800- 1700 River Exercises
1800- 2200 Candidate Lectures and Final Exam

DAY 5 of 5

0800 - 1400 River Exercises
1500 - 1700 Trainer Review and Closing





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MAKING IT HAPPEN

PREREQUISITES

- At least 21 Years of Age
- Member of a Public Safety Agency
- Trainer Application Including:
 - Proof of Swiftwater Rescue Training from a recognized training agency issued within 3 years of start of class and completion of Swiftwater Rescue II through Dive Rescue International
 - Physician Clearance to Participate
 - Letter of Sponsorship
- Proof of First Aid and CPR
- This course is designed for individuals who are physically fit (testing to 13 MET or better)

BRING TO CLASS

- All students will be required to wear business attire, including coat and tie, during all classroom sessions. Women may wear dress, skirt, blazer and slacks, etc.
- US Coast Guard approved and swiftwater appropriate PFD
- Cutting Tool
- Whistle
- Adequate clothing and protection for the environment
- Pen and Paper for note-taking and sketching.
- **All candidates must bring:** rope handling gloves, helmet, swiftwater appropriate exposure suit, fins, boogie board, gloves, footwear, swimsuit, mask, fins, snorkel, and swim goggles.

TRAVEL

Check with Dive Rescue International to 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

AIRPORT

Boston Logan International Airport (BOS)
1 Hour and 10 Minutes

SUGGESTED ACCOMMODATIONS

Southbridge Hotel
14 Mechanic Street
Southbridge, MA 01550
508.765.8000

REGISTER NOW



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