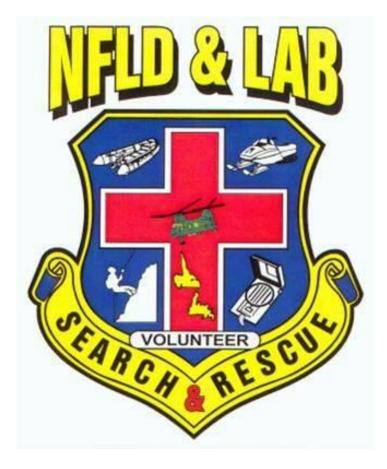
# NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR SEARCH AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION



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#### GENERAL

This classification shall apply to all members of a search team who have successfully completed Searcher I and Searcher II, and who desire to upgrade their skill level to that of an advanced searcher. Successful candidates will gain advanced responsibilities in leadership and will be trained in specialty search and rescue techniques. Successful candidates may be called upon by their team, by other teams or other cooperating agencies to assist in search and rescue activities based on their areas of specialty.

Certification will be based on the successful completion of a minimum of eight (8) of the following specialized training courses.

- 1. WILDERNESS FIRST AID
- 2. TRACK AWARE/TRACKING I
- 3. EVIDENCE SEARCH
- 4. HIGH ANGLE RESCUE
  - RIG RESCUE AND RAPPEL LEVEL I
  - RIG RESCUE AND RAPPEL LEVEL II
  - RIG RESCUE AND RAPPEL LEVEL III
  - HIGH ANGLE RESCUE TRAINER
- 5. CONFINED SPACE RESCUE
- 6. URBAN SAR
- 7. BOAT PRO
- 8. RIVER RESCUE LEVEL I
- 9. RIVER RESCUE LEVEL II
- 10. AIR SPOTTER
- 11. ICE WATER RESCUE
- 12. TRAFFIC CONTROL AND FLAGGING
- 13. TOURATECH QV MAPPING SOFTWARE
- 14. TC OBS PLEASURE CRAFT COURTESY CHECKS
- 15. CANADIAN COAST GUARD SMALL CRAFT TRAINING

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MODULE 1	WILDERNESS FIRST AID
Skill	Certification in Wilderness First Aid
Prerequisites	<ol> <li>Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.</li> <li>Valid St. John Ambulance or Canadian Red Cross Standard First Aid an CPR Certificate.</li> </ol>
Duration	20 - 40 Hours
Methodology	This module must be taught by a certified St. John Ambulance or Canadia Red Cross Wilderness First Aid Instructor.
Resources/ Materials	<ol> <li>St. John Ambulance or Canadian Red Cross training course materials.</li> <li>Basic outdoor survival clothing and equipment.</li> <li>Remote training area.</li> </ol>
Objectives	All objectives of the St. John Ambulance or the Canadian Red Cros Wilderness First Aid program.
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MODULE 2	TRACK AWARE/TRACKING 1
Skill	Demonstrate tracking skills which aid in the location of lost subjects.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	20 Hours including a 4 Hour Night Exercise
Methodology	This module must be taught by a certified ERI Canada Tracking Instructor
Resources/ Materials	<ol> <li>ERI Canada Tracking Manual</li> <li>Tracking – A Blueprint for Learning How.</li> </ol>
Objectives	<ol> <li>Tracking in perspective</li> <li>Why track</li> <li>History of tracking</li> <li>When and where to use tracking</li> <li>Definitions and terminology</li> <li>What does it take to track</li> <li>Equipment for tracking</li> <li>Use of light</li> <li>Sign cutting stick and the step-by-step method</li> <li>Labeling tracks</li> <li>Dealing with facts</li> <li>Tracking team</li> <li>Detecting sign</li> <li>Classification of prints</li> <li>Signcutting</li> <li>Track aging</li> <li>Handling evidence</li> <li>Strategy</li> <li>Tracking the evader</li> </ol>
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MODULE 3	EVIDENCE SEARCH
Skill	Assist policing agencies by utilizing proper evidence search skills an techniques.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	3 Hours plus a Practical Evidence Search Field Exercise
Methodology	This module must be taught by a member of the RCMP or the RNC.
Resources/ Materials	<ol> <li>Evidence Search Training Presentation.</li> <li>Additional resources and materials to be supplied by the cours provider.</li> </ol>
Objectives	<ol> <li>Responsibility and jurisdiction for evidence searches.</li> <li>Searcher requirements.</li> <li>Define physical evidence.</li> <li>Conducting searches.</li> <li>Team Leaders.</li> <li>Searcher responsibilities.</li> <li>Searcher registration.</li> <li>When evidence is found.</li> <li>How an area should be searched.</li> <li>The search site.</li> <li>Grid searches.</li> <li>Search teams.</li> <li>Required equipment.</li> </ol>
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MODULE 4a	HIGH ANGLE RESCUE RIG RESCUE AND RAPPEL LEVEL I
Skill	Certification in Rig Rescue and Rappel Level I
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	2 Days
Methodology	This module must be taught by a Certified High Angle Rescue Trainer.
Resources/ Materials	Resources and materials to be supplied by the course provider.
Objectives	<ul> <li>Day 1:</li> <li>Explanation of equipment use and strengths.</li> <li>Anchor selection and construction</li> <li>Team safety</li> <li>Edge safety</li> <li>Belay techniques</li> <li>Rappel techniques</li> <li>Advanced anchoring techniques</li> <li>Tying off a belay in tandem and solo</li> <li>Tying off a rappel device</li> <li>Mock situation tests</li> <li>Introduction to haul systems</li> </ul>
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MODULE 4b	HIGH ANGLE RESCUE RIG RESCUE AND RAPPEL LEVEL II
Skill	Certification in Rig Rescue and Rappel Level II
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II. Completion of Rig Rescue and Rappel Level I.
Duration	2 Days
Methodology	This module must be taught by a Certified High Angle Rescue Trainer.
Resources/ Materials	Resources and materials to be supplied by the course provider.
Objectives	Day 1:         1. Review of Level I techniques         2. Rope ascending techniques         3. Haul Systems         Day 2:         1. Rescuer positioning         2. "Pick off" Rescues         3. Mock situation test         4. Introduction to basket work
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MODULE 4c	HIGH ANGLE RESCUE RIG RESCUE AND RAPPEL LEVEL III
Skill	Certification in Rig Rescue and Rappel Level III
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II. Completion of Rig Rescue and Rappel Level I. Completion of Rig Rescue and Rappel Level II.
Duration	2 Days
Methodology	This module must be taught by a Certified High Angle Rescue Trainer.
Resources/ Materials	Resources and materials to be supplied by the course provider.
Objectives	<ul> <li><u>Day 1:</u></li> <li>1. Review of Level II skills</li> <li>2. Packaging in various rescue baskets</li> <li>3. Lowering and hauling baskets</li> <li>4. Barrow Boy positioning</li> <li><u>Day 2:</u></li> <li>1. Mock Situations</li> <li>2. Tyrolean Traverse</li> </ul>
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MODULE 4d	HIGH ANGLE RESCUE HIGH ANGLE RESCUE TRAINER
Skill	Certification as a High Angle Rescue Trainer. A biannual two day requalification is necessary to maintain this certification. Demonstrate an ability to safely train others with a focus on risk management.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	5 Days
Methodology	This module must be taught by a Certified High Angle Rescue Train the Trainer.
Resources/ Materials	Resources and materials to be supplied by the course provider.
Objectives	<ul> <li><u>Day 1:</u></li> <li>1. Explanation of equipment use and strengths.</li> <li>2. Anchor selection and construction</li> <li>3. Team safety</li> <li>4. Edge safety</li> <li>5. Belay techniques</li> <li>6. Rappel techniques</li> <li>6. Rappel techniques</li> <li><u>Day 2:</u></li> <li>1. Tying off a belay in tandem and solo</li> <li>2. Tying off a rappel device</li> <li>3. Rope ascending techniques</li> <li>4. Rescuer positioning</li> </ul>
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	Day 3:1.Haul Systems2."Pick off" rescues3.Introduction to basket work
	Day 4:1.Packaging in various rescue baskets2.Lowering and hauling baskets3.Barrow Boy positioning4.Tyrolean Traverse
	Day 5: 1. Written exam 2. Practical exam

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MODULE 5	CONFINED SPACE RESCUE
Skill	Certification in Confined Space Rescue.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	4 Days
Methodology	This module must be taught by a Certified Confined Space Rescue Trainer.
Resources/ Materials	Resources and materials to be supplied by the course provider.
Objectives	Day 1:         1. Explanation of equipment use and strengths.         2. Anchor selection and construction         3. Team safety         4. Edge safety         5. Belay techniques         6. Rappel techniques         2. Tying off a belay in tandem and solo         3. Tying off a rappel device         4. Mock situation tests         5. Rope ascending techniques         2. Tying off a rappel device         4. Mock situation tests         5. Rope ascending techniques         2. Day 3:         1. Haul Systems         2. Rope system redirection
	<ul> <li>3. Rescuer positioning</li> <li><u>Day 4:</u></li> <li>1. Confined space victim packaging</li> <li>2. Mock situation test</li> </ul>
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INSTRUCTOR'S NOTES	NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR SEARCH AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION
MODULE 6	URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE
Skill	Manage urban search and rescue operations using the Incident Command System.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	3 Days
Methodology	This module must be taught by a certified ERI Canada Urban SAR Instructor
Resources/ Materials	<ol> <li>Managing the Urban Search Function</li> <li>Urban Search Management for the Initial Response Inciden Commander.</li> </ol>
Objectives	<ul> <li><u>Part I: Managing Urban/Disaster Search Operations</u></li> <li>1. Strategy and tactics used to find missing people in urban areas as well as disaster environments</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li><u>Part II: Managing Urban/Disaster Rescue Operations</u></li> <li>1. Tactics and resources used to rescue and recover people in urban area as well as disaster environments.</li> </ul>
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MODULE 7	BOAT PRO
Skill	Certification in Pleasure Craft Operator Competency.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	1 Day
Methodology	This module must be taught by a CPS approved Boat Pro Trainer.
Resources/ Materials	<ol> <li>The Boat Pro Manual</li> <li>Boat Pro Training Presentation</li> <li>Safe Boating Guide</li> <li>Boating Safety Pamphlets and Handouts</li> </ol>
Objectives	<ol> <li>Know your boat</li> <li>Equipping your boat</li> <li>Safety Awareness</li> <li>Marine rules of the road- Collision Regulations</li> <li>Canadian aids to navigation</li> <li>Trailering/transporting</li> <li>Getting under way</li> <li>Anchoring</li> <li>Docking</li> <li>Locks</li> <li>Water-related activities</li> <li>Preventive maintenance</li> <li>Be weather wise</li> <li>Trip planning</li> </ol>
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MODULE 8	RIVER RESCUE LEVEL I
Skill	Utilize skills and emergency procedures for white water and shore-based water rescues.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	2 Days
Methodology	This module must be taught by a nationally recognized River Rescue course provider.
Resources/ Materials	Resources and materials to be supplied by the course provider.
Objectives	<ol> <li>Water safety</li> <li>Canoe and kayak evaluation</li> <li>Paddling techniques</li> <li>Self-rescue</li> <li>Righting overturned boats</li> <li>Use of throw bags</li> <li>Safety lines and knots</li> <li>Tow lines</li> <li>Extricating stranded paddlers</li> <li>Dealing with rapids, low level dams and other river hazards.</li> </ol>
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MODULE 9	RIVER RESCUE LEVEL II
Skill	Utilize enhanced technical and practical skills and emergency procedures for white water and shore-based water rescues.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II. Completion of River Rescue Level I.
Duration	2 Days
Methodology	This module must be taught by a nationally recognized River Rescue course Provider
Resources/ Materials	Resources and materials to be supplied by the course provider.
Objectives	<ol> <li>Advanced Paddling techniques</li> <li>Advanced self-rescue techniques</li> <li>Righting overturned boats</li> <li>Use of throw bags</li> <li>Safety lines and knots</li> <li>Tow lines</li> <li>Freeing pinned boats</li> <li>Rescuing trapped swimmers</li> <li>Extricating stranded paddlers mid-current</li> <li>Dealing with rapids, low level dams and other river hazards</li> </ol>
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MODULE 10	AIR SPOTTER
Skill	Certification as a CASARA Air Spotter
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	1 Day plus 1 Training Flight
Methodology	This module must be taught by a certified CASARA Air Spotter Instructor
Resources/ Materials	<ol> <li>CASARA Training Manual</li> <li>CASARA Handbook</li> <li>Standard Operating Procedures</li> </ol>
Objectives	<ol> <li>Introduction to CASARA and the national SAR system</li> <li>Introduction to RCC</li> <li>Introduction to RASO and safety briefing</li> <li>Alerting procedures</li> <li>Visual searches</li> <li>SARSAT – SOP's – CA's and Policy Manual</li> <li>Search patterns, scanning and signs</li> <li>Search height and visibility vs. speed</li> <li>Spotting requirements</li> <li>Safety procedures</li> <li>Clothing</li> <li>Operation conditions</li> <li>Mock situation tests</li> </ol>
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MODULE 11	ICE WATER RESCUE
Skill	Utilize technical and practical skills and emergency procedures for ice water rescue operations.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	2 Days including a 1 Day Practical Field Exercise
Methodology	This module must be taught by a certified Ice Water Rescue Trainer.
Resources/ Materials	<ol> <li>Ice Water Training Presentation Handout</li> <li>Additional resources and materials to be supplied by the course provider.</li> </ol>
Objectives	<ol> <li>Introduction and history of ice water rescue</li> <li>Ice rescue process</li> <li>Ice formation</li> <li>Ice safety</li> <li>Hypothermia</li> <li>Team strategies &amp; equipment</li> <li>Ice rescue equipment</li> <li>Underwater recovery</li> <li>Self rescue</li> <li>One rescuer - carabineer</li> <li>One rescuer - ice rescue sling</li> <li>One rescuer - ice rescue board</li> <li>One rescuer - stokes litter</li> <li>Inflatable boat rescue</li> <li>Rescue with rescue poles</li> </ol>
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NSTRUCTOR'S NOTES	NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR SEARCH AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION
MODULE 12	TRAFFIC CONTROL AND FLAGGING
Skill	Demonstrate an adequate knowledge of traffic control and flagging procedures. Meets the requirements of Section 106(02) of the Occupationa Health and Safety Regulations
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	1⁄2 Day
Methodology	This module must be taught by an OH&S certified Traffic Control and Flagging Trainer.
Resources/ Materials	Resources and materials to be supplied by the course provider.
Objectives	<ol> <li>Introduction to traffic control</li> <li>Hand signals</li> <li>Proper procedures for maneuvering signs</li> <li>Use of signals</li> <li>Using appropriate distances for stopping traffic.</li> <li>Safely directing traffic</li> <li>Proper clothing and equipment</li> <li>Interpersonal skills</li> </ol>
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INSTRUCTOR'S NOTES	NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR SEARCH AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION
MODULE 13	TOURATECH QV MAPPING SOFTWARE
Skill	Demonstrate skill in using the Touratech QV mapping software.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	1 Day
Methodology	This module must be taught by a NLSARA member trained in the usage of the Touratech QV software.
Resources/ Materials	<ol> <li>Touratech QV GPS Software Version 2.5</li> <li>Touratech QV GPS Software Version 2.5 user manual</li> </ol>
Objectives	<ol> <li>Software Installation</li> <li>Understanding the QV window and displays</li> <li>Working with maps and marks</li> <li>Creating waypoints, routes and tracks</li> <li>Creating drawings</li> <li>Waypoint vectors</li> <li>Data management</li> <li>Searching for maps and data</li> <li>Connecting to a GPS</li> <li>Exporting and importing data</li> <li>Printing maps with marks</li> </ol>
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MODULE 14	TC OBS PLEASURE CRAFT COURTESY CHECKS (PCCC)
Skill	Provide Pleasure Craft Courtesy Checks to the general boating public on behalf of Transport Canada's Office of Boating Safety
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	3 Hours plus a Practical Exercise
Methodology	This module must be taught by a by a TC OBS Boating Safety Officer or a Certified NLSARA PCCC trainer.
Resources/ Materials	<ol> <li>Pleasure Craft Courtesy Check Manual</li> <li>Pleasure Craft Courtesy Check Presentation</li> <li>Safe Boating Guide</li> <li>Pleasure Craft Courtesy Check Form Booklet</li> <li>Boating Safety Pamphlets and Handouts</li> </ol>
Objectives	<ol> <li>Define Pleasure Craft Courtesy Check</li> <li>Using the PCCC Form</li> <li>Conducting a PCCC</li> <li>Vessel marking, plates and decals</li> <li>Vessel registration and licensing</li> <li>Engine power and load capacity</li> <li>Operator competency requirements</li> <li>Age-horsepower restrictions</li> <li>Vessel carriage requirements</li> </ol>
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INSTRUCTOR'S NOTES	NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR SEARCH AND RESCUE ASSOCIATION
MODULE 15	CANADIAN COAST GUARD SMALL VESSEL TRAINING
Skill	Certification in Canadian Coast Guard Small Craft Operation.
Prerequisites	Completion of Searcher I and Searcher II.
Duration	2 Days plus a Practical Field Exercise
Methodology	This module must be taught by a certified CCG Small Vessel Trainin Instructor.
Resources/ Materials	<ol> <li>CCG Small Craft Training Manual</li> <li>CCG Small Craft Training Ancillaries</li> </ol>
Objectives	<ol> <li>Personal safety</li> <li>Vessel safety</li> <li>Communications</li> <li>Emergencies</li> <li>Practical seamanship</li> <li>Basic boat handling</li> <li>Water and Weather</li> <li>Navigation</li> <li>Navigation safety</li> <li>Vessel maintenance</li> <li>Engine maintenance</li> <li>Trailering</li> </ol>
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