



# Whistler Search & Rescue Society

## Membership Application

### Applicant Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First M.I.*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address Apartment/Unit #*

\_\_\_\_\_

*City Province Postal Code*

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Contacts

List 2 contacts to be called if needed in an emergency:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Questionnaire

Have you informed your immediate family of your intention to join WSAR? Y / N

Will they support you spending 200+ hours a year (more the first year if you don't already have GSAR-Ground Search and Rescue) volunteering with WSAR? Y / N

How long have you lived in the Whistler SAR area? <1year 1-5 years >5years

Do you live in the Whistler SAR area year-round? Y / N

WSAR is a long-term commitment. If accepted, you will be required to go through a 2-year probation period for attendance and commitment. Please think about the time you can commit and where you plan to be 1, 2 and 5 years from now before applying. If you are intending to only be in the area for a short time or part time, WSAR may not be the best fit for you.

WSAR training and tasks can be very physically demanding. Good physical fitness is often needed. WSAR however does have roles and responsibilities that are less demanding. **Do you have any disabilities that would limit a more physical role? If so, please explain.**

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Have you previously been an active member of an Emergency Service? Y / N

If so, where and at what level/position: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a GSAR certificate? Y / N

Have you completed the free online course Introduction to SAR in BC (EMRG-1703-OL004) through JIBC: Y / N

Outline all relevant skills and special qualifications you may have (climbing, skiing, paddling, heli work, first aid, map and compass, work related (i.e. ACMG, CAA, PCP), admin/accounting):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Access to your own personal gear including non-cotton warm layers, waterproof outer layers, boots, backpacks, headlamps, etc. is necessary. Do you have the essential items to survive 24 hours in the outdoors? Y / N

If no, do you have the means to get these items? Y / N

All new members should have a strong recreational background. Knowledge and experience of the local area and areas where high volume calls occur is preferred.

Circle 1 (fair) 2 (good) 3 (excellent) beside each item to indicate your level of knowledge for the area. If unknown, leave blank:

Spearhead	1 2 3	Blackcomb	1 2 3	Cheakamus Lk	1 2 3
WhistlerBackside	1 2 3	CallaghanValley	1 2 3	Garibaldi Lk	1 2 3
Wedge	1 2 3	Brandywine	1 2 3	Chance Creek	1 2 3
Local Bike Trails	1 2 3	Metal Dome	1 2 3	Snowmobile trails	1 2 3
Rainbow/Sproat	1 2 3	Powder Mt.	1 2 3		

Other areas you are familiar with: \_\_\_\_\_

In addition to ground search and rescue (GSAR), WSAR has multiple specialty teams: Mountain Rescue, Rope Rescue, Crevasse Rescue, Avalanche Rescue Team, UTV/ATV Team, First Aid and CDFL (long line). Are there any specialty teams that interest you or that you have skills in? Please circle up to 2 teams or leave blank.

In a short paragraph, please tell us why you want to join Whistler Search and Rescue:

Please write your response here:

## Employment

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Years at current position: \_\_\_\_\_

**Have you informed your employer of your intention to join WSAR? Y / N**

**If so, do they approve? Y / N**

**Can you get away from work at any time? Y / N**

## References – Please Provide 2

First & Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Disclaimer & Signature

Our members meet twice per month to work on developing technical and SAR team skills. Training is conducted every Tuesday evening, with additional weekend training throughout the year. Applicants are expected to spend 200+ hrs per year on team activities. Participation in training and operational tasks will be monitored and if attendance falls below a set standard your membership status will be reviewed/terminated. New members will have probationary period of two years.

**All members are required to provide criminal record check and driver's abstract within one month of acceptance of application. WSAR has a zero alcohol/drug policy during tasks/training.**

Your signature below indicates the information above is accurate and you have read, understood and are able to commit to the role of a WSAR Member:

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Note: after the application is submitted, you may receive an email or phone call requesting an interview or asking you to reapply at a later date if there are no team openings.

If there are no openings at this time, are you willing to volunteer as a subject for team training? Y / N

Applications must be sent via email in **PDF** format to: [whistler.sar@telus.net](mailto:whistler.sar@telus.net)  
**Please indicate in subject line: Application for Membership to WSAR**