

CALIFORNIA WING, CIVIL AIR PATROL

Ground Search & Rescue School

GSAR

16-23 August 2003

You have heard about it. Now be a part of it. The Emergency Services mission of the Civil Air Patrol needs qualified Ground Teams. Be prepared to assist when your community calls upon YOU to help.



A one-week total immersion program at Camp Pendleton, California. Participants will receive more than 40 hours of classroom, practical, and field training. Courses include land navigation, rescue, tracking, and search techniques. Two training missions will be conducted, leading to the award of the CAP Ground Team Member Standard rating. Plus, successful candidates will be qualified as NASAR (National Association for Search and Rescue) SAR Technicians, level II.



The cost for all of this training is only \$165.00. Participants will receive all course materials, CAWG GSAR T-shirts and baseball caps, course certificates for all specialty courses, and encampment ribbon clasp. Those who successfully complete the NASAR (National Association for Search and Rescue) certification will also receive California OES Search and Rescue patches, SAR TECH II strips, Ground Team Member Standard ES ratings, and NASAR SAR Tech certificates and patches. The fee also includes billeting and messing.



The NASAR certification involves a 160-question written test, and 6 skills practical exam stations. Many Cadets and Seniors have successfully met the requirements for certification, but it does require hard work and lots of studying!

REQUIREMENTS:

- CAP Membership Card
- Ground Team Member Trainee Card (101 T card) (this is a ES Training card issued by your local unit)
- Basic First Aid Card (or higher, must be current)
- Field Gear as specified (Listed on back of this flyer)

Additional Requirements:

- Cadet: 15 years of age, completion of achievement 2, and completion of encampment
- Senior: Level I

Application: CAWG Form 31. Enclose a check/money order or completed CAWG Form 14 (Credit Card Authorization) payable to CAWG Cadet Programs for \$165.00.

Send application and payment to:

California Wing, CAP/CP
Attn: GSAR
P. O. Box 7688
Van Nuys, CA 91409-7688

Applications must be postmarked by 14 July 2003 to be considered for attendance. Applications postmarked after this date will be returned unprocessed. Space is limited to 35 students, so apply today. GSAR will not accept any hand carried applications! Information packets will be mailed to all accepted students and alternates. Cancellation is subject to a \$30.00 administrative fee.

Questions should be directed to Major Rick de Castro at (661) 297-6972 nights/weekends or email: gsar@cawgcadets.org

NASAR SAR TECH II Equipment List

SAR Tech II Candidates MUST have all specified equipment – no exceptions. No special type or brand of item is needed. As long as the candidate has an item mentioned (such as a flashlight), any flashlight will do as long as it is functional. Comments in (parentheses) reflect additional suggestions or explanations of the items. Quantities are MINIMUMS, candidates may carry more if desired. Also, candidates may carry additional equipment not mentioned. There will be very limited opportunities at the CAWG GSAR School to purchase some of this equipment; it's better to bring it with you!

Personal First Aid and Survival Kit

- 4 ea. - Acetaminophen or aspirin tablets
- 4 ea. - Antacid tablets
- 2 ea. - Antiseptic cleansing pads (Recommend Povidone-Iodine (Betadine™) pads, available from drug stores)
- 1 ea. - Antiseptic Ointment (small tube)
- 6 ea. - Band-Aids, various sizes
- 1 ea. - Candle, long burning
- 2 ea. - Cotton Swabs, non sterile (Q-tips)
- 1 ea. - Duct tape, 5-10 ft. (can wrap around a small stick, pencil, or water bottle)
- 1 ea. - Leaf bag, large (large trash bags – don't use bags with insecticide or deodorants)
- 8 ea. - Matches (recommend strike anywhere, or have the correct striker element)
- 1 ea. - Matches container, waterproof (a 35mm film can works well – long matches might have to be cut to fit)
- 1 ea. - Moleskin (at least 3x4")
- 1 ea. - Plastic bag, ziplock, qt. size, for kit
- 2 ea. - Quarter, for phone call
- 1 ea. - Razor blade, single edge
- 1 ea. - Roller Bandage Gauze
- 2 ea. - Safety pins, large
- 1 ea. - Space blanket or space sleeping bag
- 1 ea. - Splinter forceps, tweezers (sharp, pointed tips)
- 1 ea. - Towelette, clean (Wet-Wipe™)
- 1 ea. - Whistle (put on lanyard with compass. Recommend plastic)

Personal SAR Equipment

- 4 ea. - Bags, various sizes, ziplock
- 1 ea. - Bandanna, handkerchief
- 1 ea. - Cap or other headgear
- 1 ea. - Clothes bag, waterproof (plastic or coated nylon bag)
- 1 ea. - Clothing, adequate for climate (wear)
- 1 ea. - Clothing, extra set, suitable for climate (shirt / trousers)
- 1 ea. - Compass, orienteering (plastic clear rectangular base plate, 2-degree markings, rotating dial)
- 1 ea. - Flagging tape, roll (need not be complete roll. Any color. Plastic tape about 1" wide used in construction sites, available from hardware stores. Have at least 10-20 feet)
- 1 ea. - Flashlight or lantern (recommend Mag-Light AA cell)
- 1 ea. - Flashlight, extra, extra batteries and bulb (Recommend another Mag-Lite, with AA batteries, or headlamp)
- 1 ea. - Footwear, sturdy, adequate for climate (well broken in, correctly fitted)
- 1 pr - Gloves, durable (leather work gloves)
- 1 pr. - Goggles, clear (plastic, available at hardware store)
- 2 ea. - Carabiners, locking (D-shaped, available from REI, Sports Chalet, Adventure-16 or other climbing store)
- 2 ea. - Prussik Slings, 6, 7 or 8 mm climbing cord x 5 to 6' (Don't use SPECTRA™ cord. Available at same stores as Carabiners)
- 1 ea. - Insect repellent (small tube or bottle)
- 1 ea. - Knife, multi-purpose (Swiss army style, should be sharp and clean)
- 1 ea. - Lip Balm, with sunscreen
- 1 ea. - measuring device, 18 in minimum (sewing tape or very small tape measure)
- 1 ea. - Metal cup or pot (canteen cup recommended)
- 1 ea. - Mirror, small (for signalling. Can use mirrored compass lid if available)
- 1 ea. - Nylon twine or small rope, 50 ft. (Also known as parachute or 550 cord. Any color acceptable).
- 1 ea. - Pack, 1800 cubic inch minimum (Any pack that holds everything is acceptable)
- 1 ea. - Pad and pencil (should be small (pocket sized) pad)
- 1 ea. - Rainwear, durable (Recommend jacket and pants)
- 1 ea. - SAR personal identification (CAP Membership or ID card, or drivers license)
- 1 ea. - Scissors, pair, utility (Recommend EMS, Paramedic type scissors, any will do including those in Swiss army knife)
- 1 ea. - Shelter material, 8 x 10 (Plastic ripstop tarp, approx. 8 x 10 feet, available at hardware stores)
- 1 ea. - Socks, extra pair (in clothes bag)
- 1 ea. - Sunscreen lotion (Small tube or bottle, recommend at least SPF 15)
- 1 ea. - Tissue Paper (Toilet Tissue, small roll, or pocket sized Kleenex)
- 1 ea. - Tracking Stick, 42" long (stick of any sort. Can be broom handle sized wooden dowel, etc).
- 1 ea. - Watch (wear)
- 2 ea. - Water Container, at least liter size (Canteens. Can use empty 1 liter soda bottles, etc)
- 8 ea. - Tie wraps (plastic wire ties, assorted sizes)
- 1 ea. - Webbing, 20 ft length of 1 in. (Climbing quality, 1" tubular, Red or any color, available at same stores as Carabiners)
- 1 ea. - Wire, 5-10 ft, woven steel (picture hanging wire)

Any questions on the type, suitability, or need for field gear can be directed to Major Rick de Castro, at (661) 297-6972 nights / weekends or gsar@cawgcadets.org