



## **Chaffee County Search & Rescue - North Application Package**

Thank you for your interest in joining the Chaffee County Search & Rescue - North team!

Please complete the attached application and return it by submitting it to a Board member, e-mailing it to [secretary@chaffeecountysarnorth.org](mailto:secretary@chaffeecountysarnorth.org), or mailing it to P.O. Box 1671, Buena Vista, CO 81211. Applications will be considered from full-time Chaffee County residents. Please include a copy of your current valid driver's license with your application.

After your application is received, a background check will be completed. This process typically takes a week or two, after which we will contact you with additional information.

Please visit our website at <http://chaffeecountysarnorth.org> for additional information about CCSAR-N.

### **Our Mission**

Chaffee County Search and Rescue - North is a non-profit, all volunteer organization operating under the direction of the Chaffee County Sheriff's Office. Our mission is to provide search and rescue services, as well as outdoor safety education, at no cost to the public.

### **Our Vision**

Chaffee County Search and Rescue - North is a respected, cohesive, highly skilled group of volunteers who are continually trained to respond to the diverse scenarios present in our complex outdoor environment. We procure and maintain quality equipment supporting missions involving mountains, rivers, high desert and lakes. Additionally, we provide outdoor safety education to the general public.



## Application for Membership

Full Legal Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Mobile Phone # : \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Type: Android or iPhone (Circle One)

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Drivers License #: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

### Emergency Contact:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby make an application for membership in Chaffee County Search and Rescue - North (CCSAR-N). I authorize Chaffee County Search and Rescue - North to conduct a background investigation. I understand that any convictions of DUI within the past 2 years, felony convictions, or unlawful sexual activity convictions will preclude me from joining CCSAR-N. I also acknowledge that any adult misdemeanor convictions will be carefully reviewed by CCSAR-N Board of Directors.

If accepted, I agree to follow and abide by the lawful orders of those appointed over me. I further agree to obtain and/or retain a minimum of Basic First Aid and CPR certification for the duration of my membership.

I understand that Chaffee County Search and Rescue - North is a volunteer search and rescue organization under full authority of the Chaffee County Sheriff and that membership therein does not give me any of the powers of a law enforcement officer.

As a member, I will make a good faith effort to respond to as many missions, meetings, and training classes as possible. I fully understand that Chaffee County Search and Rescue - North is a volunteer organization dedicated to serving the public without expectation of any remuneration.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle any of the following skills and/or equipment you have:

4-WD vehicle	Horse and Trailer	Advanced First Aid Training
Snowmobile	Rock Climbing Equipment	Swiftwater Rescue Training
ATV or Off-Road Motorcycle	Rock Climbing Training	Avalanche Training
AT Skis	SAR experience	Electronic repair skills
Snowshoes	Vehicle repair skills	Other:

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## Training Requirements

The following is the minimum level of individual training required of all members. New members have until the end of their SAR Academy to complete the IS-100, IS-700, BFA, and CPR certification, or provide proof of current certification. The SAR Academy schedule and course curriculum will be provided to prospective members prior to January 1st.

1. [IS-100.b](#) - This one-time online course introduces you to the Incident Command System. Upon successful completion of this course, you will receive (via email) a Certificate of Achievement showing the date you passed the course. A copy of the certificate must be emailed to: [secretary@chaffeecountysarnorth.org](mailto:secretary@chaffeecountysarnorth.org).
2. [IS-700.a](#) - This one-time online course introduces you to the National Incident Management System. Upon successful completion of this course, you will receive (via email) a Certificate of Achievement showing the date you passed the course. A copy of the certificate must be emailed to: [secretary@chaffeecountysarnorth.org](mailto:secretary@chaffeecountysarnorth.org).
3. Basic First Aid - You must hold current basic first aid certification. A current higher level medical certification (WFA, WFR, EMT, etc.) satisfies this requirement. Submit a copy of the certificate to [secretary@chaffeecountysarnorth.org](mailto:secretary@chaffeecountysarnorth.org).
4. CPR - You must hold current CPR certification. Submit a copy of the certificate to: [secretary@chaffeecountysarnorth.org](mailto:secretary@chaffeecountysarnorth.org).
5. SAR Academy - This is required for any person who functions on SAR missions as field searchers, or in any capacity supporting SAR missions. It is customized to CCSAR-N and includes orientation to our specific gear and procedures. SAR Academy is held during the first quarter of the year for new members, and those members who have not previously taken it. Minimum attendance of 65% of the course is required.

## Participation Requirements

We expect CCSAR-N members to fully participate, and remain in good standing through participation. Following is the minimum level of participation required of all members. ***If for any reason you are unable to meet these levels due to temporary circumstances, please contact a board member so that we can work with you and your specific situation.***

Every member is required to attend a minimum percentage of missions, trainings and meetings/events as described below:

1. Attendance is required for **at least 20% of all paged out missions** in a given calendar year.
2. Attendance is required for **at least 20% of “ALL HANDS” training** in a given calendar year. These trainings will have “ALL HANDS” in the title when they are sent out via the CCSAR-N Google Calendar invite. Please note that some trainings, like SAR Academy Trainings will not be “ALL HANDS” meetings.
3. Attendance is required for **at least 20% of events and/or meetings**. The meetings only include our monthly general membership meetings. Board of directors meetings do not apply to the attendance requirement. Events sent out by the Events Director for all of the membership will count towards the participation requirements.