



Arkansas Explorer Search and Rescue, Crew 393 is a youth oriented, volunteer Search and Rescue Team whose mission is to provide a free-of-charge, trained and certified SAR Team anywhere in the State of Arkansas at anytime.

We are an Organizational Member of the National Association for Search and Rescue, NASAR, and use the Search and Rescue Technician program for certification of our members. We currently have members certified to the SARTECH II and SARTECH I levels. In addition, we conduct SARTECH testing several times a year with a SARTECH Exam Coordinator and Evaluators that are on our team. Our Team is a registered Venture Crew with the Quapaw Area Council, Boy Scouts of America. All of our members are covered with full liability and medical insurance. We provide a statewide service and have mutual aid agreements with several local, state, and federal agencies.

To be certified to Callout status members must meet stringent standards. Some of these are: SARTECH certification, AHA CPR, First Aid, and AED; or D.O.T. First Responder; or higher Emergency Medical certification. Others are a complete 24-hour pack to the NASAR and Team standard, uniforming, and an active participation for training along with required continuing education. New Members are in a Trainee status and can only attend a training function until these standards have been met.

We train primarily as a ground SAR Team, but may be able to provide resources for other types of incidents as well. Some of the types of incidents we train for are:

- Lost children, hunters, hikers, etc.
- Alzheimers and dementia walk-aways.
- Wilderness Area searches.
- Mantracking.
- Natural and man-made disasters.
- Buried body searches.
- Marine SAR for water rescue, drowning victim searches, and public events.
- Night, foul weather, and rough terrain searches.
- Criminal case evidence searches.
- Low angle and some high angle rope rescues.
- MCI and Public event EMS services at the First Responder and EMT-B level.
- We train and use the ICS system and can provide overhead personnel for large incidents.

Arkansas Explorer Search and Rescue was created in March of 1993 and has been operational as a SAR Team since May of 1994. We have responded to incidents in more than 30 counties in Arkansas and have trained in most areas of the state.

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