

Lincoln County Search and Rescue Bylaws

Membership:

1. The number of members to be set by 100% vote of the team present, current cap on membership is set at 30 volunteer members.
2. Any vacancy created either an office or membership vacancy shall be filled, if possible, during the next regular meeting.
3. Prospective members must be interviewed by a panel that will consist of Search and Rescue Deputies and SAR Team Leaders. There will also be a 6 month probation period after being voted in by members,
4. All members must live or work in Lincoln County.
5. New members must have majority vote of the interview panel.
6. Membership will include immediate family as associate members.
7. All members' vehicles must pass a periodic safety inspection, Violations found at one meeting to be repaired by the following meeting, Inspections shall be made at least every 90 days,
8. All vehicles must be street legal at all times.
9. Each member is expected to obey State and Federal laws.
10. Each prospective member must have or obtain a 1st aid CPR, or 1st responder, or EMT certification, Each new member must obtain a SAR certification within 12 months
11. An officer must be contacted by a member when a meeting is going to be missed, Failure to attend meetings without contact or legitimate reason can be a reason for dismissal by a majority vote of the officers,

12. If a member requests a sabbatical all gear must be turned in at that time. The member will be reequipped when he/she returns to active status, while on sabbatical the member will not participate in any missions or SAR activities.
13. Any member whose conduct is detrimental to the purpose and standing of the group may be suspended or dismissed from the team by a majority of the vote,
14. Log books will include each members name, blood type, doctor, next of kin, address, phone number, radio call, year, make and license number of vehicle and equipment available.

MEETINGS

15. The team captain will preside at meetings, assistant Team Captain is to preside in case of Team Captains absence.
16. Special meetings may be called by the Team Captain
17. Intoxication at meetings, exercises and missions is cause for dismissal.

OFFICERS

18. Team Captains will have a log kept of all team activities,
There will be five elected officers: Team Captain, assistant Team Captain, Public Information officer (PIO) and Secretary- Treasurer, One appointed office; Safety Officer, Anyone filling these offices may also serve as team captain.
Election of officers will be held in December of each year. New officers will take office the first meeting of January.

SEARCHES

19. All equipment issued to members is expected to be kept in excellent condition and turned in upon termination.
Vehicles must carry the following equipment;
Axe
Shovel
Fire extinguisher.

BYLAW CHANGES

20. Proposed Bylaw changes are to be read and discussed at the first meeting, read and corrected, if necessary at the second meeting and read and voted on, with no changes, at the third meeting.