

Alamosa Volunteer Search and Rescue
c/o Executive Secretary
P.O. Box 1604
Alamosa, CO 81101

NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

We would like to take this opportunity to tell you, the prospective member, what the requirements for acceptance into AVSAR are:

1. This application completed by you.
2. A brief interview with the executive committee. This will give the committee an opportunity to tell you what is required of you and for you to tell us about yourself.
3. A background check.

You will not be considered a member until you have completed all three steps and are accepted by the executive committee.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

Employer's Name: _____ Work Phone: (____) _____

Email Address: _____

We accept people who have disabilities. For placement purposes only, please list any disabilities that you may have:

Are there any medical considerations or information that could be helpful to AVSAR officers, team leaders, or emergency personnel in case of an emergency during a mission? If so, please list that information here.

In case of an emergency, please list who you would like AVSAR to contact:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone: (____) _____

Employer's Name: _____ Work Phone: (____) _____

How many hours per month do you expect to dedicate to AVSAR?

Summer: _____ Winter: _____

Please take a few moments to write down why you want to be a member of AVSAR?

What do you expect to gain from membership in AVSAR?

Do you have personal transportation? _____ Yes _____ No

Driver's License Number: _____ State: _____

Four-wheel Drive? Yes No

ATV? Yes No

Snowmobile? Yes No

Equestrian? Yes No

Please describe any medical training/experience you have.

List current medical certification you hold.

What is your highest level of education?

List any skills you possess that may be an asset to AVSAR. Please be specific (i.e. cross country skiing, swimming, rappelling, sport climbing, alpine mountaineering, big wall climbing, expeditionary experience, equestrian, snowmobiling, ATV, etc.).

Have you worked with maps and compasses? Yes No

Have you worked with helicopters? Yes No

Could you survive unsupported in a wilderness setting for 72 hours? Yes No

Have you worked closely with news media? Yes No

Have you worked closely with law enforcement? Yes No

Do you have any water rescue training? Yes No

Do you have military service experience? Yes No

If yes, what branch: _____

Occupation/specialty: _____

Please list any special equipment you have access to that may benefit AVSAR.

Please list any other special instruction, skills, or experience you have that may benefit AVSAR.

Do you have any criminal convictions, other than minor traffic violations?

Yes No

If yes, please list.

Have you ever had your driver's license suspended? Yes No

If yes, what was the reason?

Are you willing to follow orders from AVSAR officers and senior members (team leaders) as pertains to the mission of AVSAR?

Yes No

Are you willing to follow all bylaws, policies, and procedures of AVSAR?

Yes No

Please read the following statements carefully. Initial after each statement.

Certification and release: I certify that I have read and understand the applicant note on page one of this form and that the answers given by me to the foregoing questions and the statements made by me are true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any false information, omissions, or misrepresentations of fact called for in this application may result in rejection of my application or discharge at any time during my membership. I authorize AVSAR and/or its agents to verify any of this information by searching appropriate information and record sources. I authorize all employers, persons, schools, companies, law enforcement authorities, state and federal agencies to release any information concerning my background and hereby release those parties from any liability for any damage whatsoever for issuing this information. I also understand that the use of illegal drugs is prohibited during my membership. If asked by an AVSAR officer, I am willing to submit to drug testing to detect the use of illegal drugs.

_____ Initial

Workman's Compensation: Workman's compensation will cover injuries sustained during any official capacity associated with the Alamosa County Sheriff's Department or Alamosa Volunteer Search and Rescue.

_____ Initial

Risk: I understand that search and rescue is in itself a dangerous activity. Possible dangers are, but are not limited to: falls from heights, falling objects, automobile and aircraft accidents, lightning and other weather related hazards, high altitude illnesses, equipment failures, avalanche (snow or rock), etc.

_____ Initial

Safety: I agree to follow all safety policies and procedures in place by AVSAR and report any unsafe actions to an AVSAR officer, my team leader, or a safety officer.

_____ Initial

References:

Please list three personal references including employers, co-workers or instructors.

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Length of relationship: _____ Time since last in touch: _____

Contact number: _____ Best time to contact: _____

Address: _____

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Family First, Work Second, Church Third (if applicable): We believe that it is important to keep harmony within your family, workplace and within your being.

Have you talked with your family about the long hours you may be away during a mission? Yes ___ No ___ Were they okay with that? Yes ___ No ___

Have you talked with your employer about leaving work to assist AVSAR? Yes ___ No ___ Were they okay with this request? Yes ___ No ___

Are you okay with weekend trainings that will prevent you from attending your church? Yes ___ No ___

How did you hear about this volunteer opportunity?

___ Newspaper ___ Recruitment Poster ___ Facebook

___ Radio ___ Friend ___ Brochure

___ Other _____