



## Illinois Search and Rescue Council Instructor Credential Requirements

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### GSAR Operations Course

Instructors must achieve:

- Successfully complete two (2) ISARC GSAR Operations courses
- Successfully complete GSAR Train the Trainer
- Member in good standing of an ISARC organizational member agency
- Receive approval by the organizational member point of contact
- Monitored during a GSAR Ops course by a GSAR Ops lead instructor
- Recommended by a GSAR Ops lead instructor
- Approved by the ISARC Board of Directors

Instructors must maintain:

- Instruct a component of the lecture every two (2) years minimum
- Attend Annual Instructor/FTO Webinar
- Submit Continuing Education documentation every 3 years to maintain certification or take full 16-hour GSAR course

Lead Instructors must achieve:

- Achieve all GSAR Ops instructor requirements and be an instructor in good standing
- Teach each section of the GSAR Ops lecture and facilitate each field module while being evaluated by a GSAR Ops lead instructor (minimum 2 lead instructors must evaluate)
- Recommended by two separate GSAR Ops lead instructors
- Approved by the ISARC Board of Directors

Lead Instructors must maintain:

- Facilitate a GSAR course as the lead instructor every two (2) years minimum
- Attend Annual Instructor/FTO Webinar
- Submit Continuing Education documentation every 3 years to maintain certification or take full 16-hour GSAR course

Field Training Officers (FTO) must achieve:

- Successfully complete 2 ISARC GSAR Operations courses
- Member in good standing of an ISARC organizational member agency
- Receive approval by the organizational member point of contact
- Evaluated during a GSAR Ops course by a GSAR Ops lead instructor
- Recommended by a GSAR Ops lead instructor
- Approved by the ISARC Board of Directors

Field Training Officers (FTO) must maintain:

- Assist with a component of the field exercises every two (2) years
- Attend Annual Instructor/FTO Webinar
- Submit Continuing Education documentation every 3 years to maintain certification or take full 16-hour GSAR course

FTO Personnel that are currently being utilized as of May 1, 2021 and submitted by a lead instructor will be Grandfathered In and automatically approved by the Board of Directors.

If you fail to meet the annual requirements of the Instructor/Lead Instructor requirements listed (beginning January 2021), your Instructor/Lead Instructor/FTO status will be dropped to the following:

- Lead Instructor will drop to Instructor and must complete the requirements of Lead Instructor to re-obtain the status of Lead Instructor and that status approved by the ISARC Board of Directors.
- Instructor will drop to FTO and must complete the requirements for Instructor to re-obtain the status of Instructor and that status approved by the ISARC Board of Directors.
- Field Training Officer (FTO) will be required to be re-evaluated during a GSAR Ops course by a GSAR Ops lead instructor, re-recommended by a GSAR Ops lead instructor and re-approved by the ISARC Board of Directors

### **Search and Rescue Initial Operations (SARIO) course**

Instructors must achieve:

- Successfully complete two (2) ISARC GSAR Operations courses
- Successfully complete the ISARC Search and Rescue Management course
- Successfully complete IS-100, IS-200, IS-700 and IS-800
- Member in good standing of an ISARC organizational member agency
- Receive approval by the organizational member point of contact
- Recommended by a Search Management Lead Instructor
- Co-teach with a SARIO instructor and receive a successful evaluation
- Approval by the ISARC Board of Directors

Instructors must maintain:

- Facilitate a SARIO course every two (2) years minimum
- Attend Annual Instructor/FTO Webinar
- Submit Continuing Education documentation every 3 years to maintain certification or take full 16-hour GSAR course

### **Search Management (SARM) course**

Instructors must achieve:

- Current or former GSAR Ops instructor
- Successfully complete 2 ISARC search management courses
- Successfully complete IS-100, IS-200, IS300, IS400, IS700
- Be a member of an ISARC organizational member agency for at least one (1) year
- Successfully complete Search and Rescue Management train the trainer
- Member in good standing of an ISARC organizational member agency
- Receive approval by the organizational member point of contact
- Demonstrate proficiency in search management forms

- Recommended by Search Management Lead Instructor
- Approval by the ISARC Board of Directors

Instructors must maintain:

- Instruct a component of the lecture every two (2) years minimum
- Attend Annual Instructor/FTO Webinar
- Submit Continuing Education documentation every 3 years to maintain certification

Lead Instructors must achieve:

- Achieve all SARM instructor requirements and be an instructor in good standing
- Successfully complete AFRCC 5-day Inland SAR Planning course

Lead Instructors must maintain:

- Facilitate a SARM course as the lead instructor every two (2) years minimum
- Attend Annual Instructor/FTO Webinar
- Submit Continuing Education documentation every 3 years to maintain certification

### **Basic Land Navigation (BNAV) course**

Instructors must achieve:

- Successfully complete ISARC GSAR Ops course twice
- Successfully complete ISARC BNAV course
- Successfully complete ISARC BNAV train the trainer
- Recommended by ISARC BNAV Instructor
- Member in good standing of an ISARC organizational member agency
- Receive approval by the organizational member point of contact
- Approval by the ISARC Board of Directors

Instructors must maintain:

- Instruct a component of the lecture every two (2) years minimum
- Attend Annual Instructor/FTO Webinar
- Successfully complete BNAV instructor updates as determined
- Submit Continuing Education documentation every 3 years to maintain certification or take full 16-hour GSAR course

Lead Instructors must achieve:

- Achieve all BNAV instructor requirements and be an instructor in good standing
- Teach each section of the BNAV lecture and facilitate each field module while being evaluated by a BNAV lead instructor
- Evaluated by and recommended by two separate BNAV lead instructors
- Approved by the ISARC Board of Directors

Lead Instructors must maintain:

- Facilitate a BNAV course as the lead instructor every two (2) years minimum
- Attend Annual Instructor/FTO Webinar
- Submit Continuing Education documentation every 3 years to maintain certification