

of knowledge and/or performance skill on the date indicated on the certificate.

## Prerequisites

Candidates must be certified at the NASAR SARTECH II level. Candidates must have a current Advanced First Aid certification or above and a current CPR certification or above and provide proof at exam. An ideal crew leader should be at the EMT level or above. It is recommended, but not required, that candidates have at least one hundred (100) hours on SAR missions; one hundred (100) hours of land based SAR training; and at least two (2) years active membership with a SAR organization.

## Course Scheduling Information

For open enrollment SAR Tech I/ Crew Leader III Examination visit [www.wildernesseri.com](http://www.wildernesseri.com).

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## SAR Tech I/ Crew Leader III<sup>®</sup> Examination



**8-Hour Certification Test**

# The Exam

The SARTECH I/CREWLEADER III level of certification is the advanced level for SAR personnel. The level is recommended only for persons who function on SAR missions as field searchers and who may function as crew leaders. Persons who obtain this certification are to function within the limits of the certification describe in the NASAR standards for SARTECH I/CREWLEADER III. The NASAR course that prepares one to challenge the SARTECH I/CREWLEADER III examination is Advanced Search and Rescue. The examination consists of a one hundred and twenty (120) question written test covering the candidate's knowledge of search and rescue. A passing grade is 70 % or above. The candidate is also required to successfully complete a four station practical exam. Should the candidate not successfully complete the practical exam, only the stations that are failed need be repeated within one year of the original testing date. The re-testing may be completed at any SAR TECH I/CREWLEADER III evaluation.

# Topics

**The written exams includes questions from the following topics:**

- Incident Command System
- Small Unit Leadership
- Fitness
- Crew Safety
- Crew leader SAR Ready Pack
- Maps, Symbology, & Land Navigation
- Search Techniques & Tactics
- Briefing
- Debriefing
- Hazardous Terrain Skills
- Stress Management

### **The candidate's performance of SAR skills is evaluated at four practical exam stations involving:**

- **Station #1:** Crew leader SAR Ready Pack: Candidates demonstrate the ability to possess and pack the required SAR equipment and supplies efficiently.
- **Station #2:** Hazardous Terrain Skills: Using the contents within the SAR Ready Pack establish a belay system between to points.
- **Station #3:** Patient Transport: Using the contents of their SAR Ready Pack and tracking sticks construct an improvised a stretcher.
- **Station #4:** Land Navigation: Use of topographic maps and compass. Candidates complete a course over

terrain commonly encountered in the operations area in a specified time frame, not to exceed (2000) meters during night time.

# After Completion

The NASAR course that teaches the knowledge to successfully pass the SARTECH I/CREWLEADER III certification is the Advanced Search and Rescue course.

The SARTECH program is an evaluation process not a learning process. Candidates demonstrate basic SAR competency through written tests and practical skill demonstrations of search and rescue skills.

Candidates who successfully complete the evaluation process will receive a certificate and patch from NASAR signifying their certification level. NASAR does not require a re-certification time period but leaves the decision to the organizations and agencies that use the SARTECH personnel.

This certificate does not constitute a license to practice the skills taught in a training program or to practice the knowledge and performance skills that have been evaluated. The certificate does signify that the person holding the certificate has met the requirements of an established standard