

## Awareness Level Courses

### Meeting the NFPA 1670 and 1006 Standards for Technical Water and Rope Rescue

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#### AWARENESS: WATER AND ROPE RESCUE™

[This one-day course](#) will assist your organization in meeting the NFPA 1670 standard for Awareness level training. This class is designed for any person who, in the course of their duties, may be first on-scene for a water or rope rescue incident. This seminar introduces personnel to the problems associated with water and rope rescue, as well as procedures to follow when encountered with flash floods, large-scale disasters and seasonal flooding. Because this is a theory class, the Awareness level responder is not considered a rescuer.

#### Prerequisites:

- None

#### Equipment needed:

- None - This seminar is entirely classroom.

## Operations Level Courses

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#### OPERATIONS: SWIFTWATER FIRST RESPONDER

[This course](#) is designed to assist your agency in meeting the Operations level of the NFPA 1670 standard for water incidents. This two-day course has one day of classroom instruction and one day of practical field exercise. Students are trained in hazard recognition, equipment use and techniques necessary to conduct basic shore and boat based rescue.

After completion of Operations: Swiftwater First Responder™, certified personnel may participate in higher risk technical rescues under the supervision of **Technician** level rescuers.

#### Prerequisites:

- At least 18 years of age
- Adequate health insurance coverage
- Basic swimming ability
- Proper personal protective equipment
- Willingness to participate in hands-on activities
- Good physical condition

#### Required Equipment:

- Full wetsuit or drysuit for thermal and abrasion protection
- Lightweight water or climbing helmet
- Lifejacket/PFD with USCG Type III or V rating
- Water booties or tennis shoes
- Gloves and fins (optional)

## TECHNICAL ROPE RESCUE: OPERATIONS LEVEL

[This course](#) meets the requirements for the NFPA 1670 standard at the **Operations** level for technical rope incidents. This three-day course has one day of classroom instruction followed by two days of practical field exercise.

Students will learn and practice various aspects of low-angle rope rescue. Training includes pre-planning and size up of rope rescue operations; knots, bends, hitches and anchor systems; belay operations; ascending and descending lines; mechanical advantage systems; patient packaging; and litter tending.

Students will learn how to safely handle low-angle or over-the bank type situations, as well as how to assist **Technician** level rope rescuers in high angle environments. Special emphasis is placed on maintaining the safety of rescuers, patients and bystanders.

### Prerequisites:

- At least 18 years of age
- Adequate health insurance coverage
- Basic swimming ability

### Required Equipment:

- Full wetsuit or drysuit for thermal and abrasion protection
- Lightweight water or climbing helmet
- Lifejacket/PFD with USCG Type III or V rating
- Water booties or tennis shoes
- Gloves and fins (optional)