2026/2027 TRAINING SCHEDULE
JIBC SEARCH AND RESCUE

Updated November 16, 2026. Check www.jibc.ca/sar for updates.

APPLICATION PERIODS

	APPLICATIONS OPEN	APPLICATIONS CLOSE
SPRING COURSES (APR-JUN)	FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2025	SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026
FALL COURSES (SEP-NOV)	FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2026	SUNDAY, JULY 5, 2026
WINTER COURSES (JAN-MAR)	FRIDAY, AUGUST 28, 2026	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2026

ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS

STEP 1: SAR MEMBER REVIEWS COURSE REQUIREMENTS

SAR member reviews the Course Calendar at www.jibc.ca/sar for pre-requisite information and course requirements. Pre-requisites can be confirmed by consulting JIBC training records at elearn.jibc.ca.

STEP 2: SAR MEMBER RECEIVES TRAINING OFFICER APPROVAL AND REQUIRED INFORMATION

SAR member speaks with their Training Officer (TO) for approval to apply for the course. SAR members will need to provide their email address, JIBC student number, date of birth, and TO's email address on their application.

STEP 3: SAR MEMBER COMPLETES THE APPLICATION FORM

SAR member submits the application at http://www.jibc.ca/sar (click the "APPLY NOW" button at the top of the page). After applying, the SAR member must notify their Training Officer, so they are aware an approval request email is coming.

STEP 4: EMAIL APPLICATION CONFIRMATIONS ARE SENT

Automatic confirmation emails will be sent to the applicant and their Training Officer. Training officers must approve or deny the application by replying to the email **within 5 business days** of its receipt. Applications that do not receive training officer responses **will** be considered for the course.

STEP 5: JIBC PROCESSES APPLICATIONS

JIBC reviews applications, confirm the pre-requisites of applicants and works with EMCR to finalise course rosters. Applicants who are missing course pre-requisites will be contacted. If courses receive more applications than seats, JIBC will contact Training Officers form SAR groups with multiple applicants to **request** prioritization of applicants.

STEP 6: JIBC EMAILS CONFIRMS COURSE STATUS (ACCEPTED, WAITLISTED, DECLINED)

All applicants will be informed of their application status **within six-weeks** of the application deadline.

JIBC will register, waitlist, or decline applicants based on criteria established with the Joint Training Committee.

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PROVINCIAL TRAINING

Student travel and accommodation costs are covered for provincial courses. More information about arranging travel and accommodations will be included in enrollment confirmation emails.

(*) courses require advance online reading, study and assessment.

COURSE	LOCATION	DATE	DEADLINE
*EMRG-1783 SAR Management Level 1	JIBC New Westminster	May 28 – 31, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
*EMRG-1783 SAR Management Level 1	JIBC New Westminster	Nov 19 – 22, 2026	**Jul 5, 2026**
EMRG-1752 OAR Team Leader (SKI)	Brohm Ridge	Feb 25 –28, 2027	**Oct 25, 2026**

REGIONAL TRAINING

Student travel costs for regional courses are the responsibility of the member and/or their SAR Group. Contact your SAR Group for details.

(*) courses require advance online reading, study and assessment.

(**) in addition to advance online reading, study and assessment, courses require mandatory 2 Mondays online instructor-led sessions (First Monday after course opens and Monday before in-person training).

LOCATION	REGION	DATE	DEADLINE
EMRG-1660 PUBLIC SAFETY LIFELINE LEADERSHIP			
Vernon	CTR	Apr 11 – 12, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Victoria	VIR	Apr 18 – 19, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Terrace	NWE	May 2 – 3, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Kimberley	SEA	Sep 12 – 13, 2026	**Jul 5, 2026**
Mackenzie	NEA	Sep 26 – 27, 2026	**Jul 5, 2026**
JIBC- New Westminster	SWE	Mar 13 – 14, 2027	**Oct 25, 2026**
*** EMRG-1736 ROPE TECHNICIAN 1 (TWO WEEKEND COURSE)**			
Vernon	CTR/SEA	Apr 17 – 19, 2026 Jun 12 – 14, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Prince George	NWE/NEA	May 1 – 3, 2026 Jun 19 – 21, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Squamish	SWE/VIR	Jun 19 – 21, 2026 Oct 16 – 18, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**

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*** EMRG-1738 ROPE TECHNICIAN 2 (TWO WEEKEND COURSE)**			
Penticton	CTR/SEA/SWE/VIR	May 29 – 31, 2026 Sep 18 – 20, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Prince George	NEA/NWE/CTR	Jun 26 – 28, 2026 Oct 2 – 4, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
**** EMRG -1740 ROPE RESCUE TEAM LEADER**			
Rossland	SEA/CTR/NEA/NWE	**Mandatory Virtual Sessions** May 11, 1800-1900 Jun 1, 1800-1930 **In Person** Jun 4 – 7, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Squamish	SWE/VIR/NEA/NWE	**Mandatory Virtual Sessions** Aug 31, 1800-1900 Sep 21, 1800-1930 **In-Person** Sep 24 – 27, 2026	**Jul 5, 2026**
**** EMRG-1712 GROUND SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM LEADER**			
Kamloops	CTR	**Mandatory Virtual Sessions** Apr 13, 1800-1900 May 4, 1800-1930 **In Person** May 8 – 10, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Nelson	SEA	**Mandatory Virtual Sessions** Apr 27, 1800-1900 May 18, 1800-1930 **In Person** May 22 – 24, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Smithers	NWE	**Mandatory Virtual Sessions** May 11, 1800-1900 Jun 1, 1800-1930 **In Person** Jun 5 – 7, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Prince George	NEA	**Mandatory Virtual Sessions** Aug 24, 1800-1900 Sep 14, 1800-1930	**Jul 5, 2026**

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		In-Person Sep 18 – 20, 2026	
JIBC – New Westminster	SWE	**Mandatory Virtual Sessions** Sep 8, 1800-1900 Sep 28, 1800-1930 **In-Person** Oct 2 – 4, 2026	**Jul 5, 2026**
Nanaimo	VIR	**Mandatory Virtual Sessions** Jan 11, 1800-1900 Feb 1, 1800-1930 **In-Person** Feb 5 – 7, 2027	**Oct 25, 2026**
EMRG-1790 GSAR TRAIN-THE-TRAINER			
Cranbrook/Kimberley	SEA/CTR	Apr 25 – 26, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Prince George	NEA/NWE	Jun 27 – 28, 2026	**Feb 15, 2026**
Nanaimo	VIR/SWE	Nov 7 – 8, 2026	**Jul 5, 2026**
*** EMRG-1751 ORGANIZED AVALANCHE TEAM MEMBER**			
Nelson (SKI)	SEA/VIR	Jan 22 – 24, 2027	**Oct 25, 2026**
~~Wells (SLED)~~	~~NEA/NWE~~	~~Feb 5 – 7, 2027~~	**CANCELLED**
~~Kamloops (SKI)~~	~~CTR/SWE/VIR~~	~~Feb 19 – 21, 2027~~	**CANCELLED**

For further information on course requirements and expectations, contact your Training Officer, or JIBC at 1-888-898-5422, 604-528-5786 or email sar@jibc.ca.
To confirm pre-requisites, consult your JIBC Training Records at elearn.jibc.ca
Add sar@jibc.ca as a "safe sender" in your email and check your spam or trash if you are expecting an email.

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