

Rescue 3 International's Swiftwater Rescue Technician Advanced

[Southwestern Community College \(Swain Center\)](http://www.rescuenc.com)
Bryson City, Dillsboro, NC

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Course Overview

Rescue North Carolina are pleased to announce an offering of the Rescue 3 International Swiftwater Rescue Advanced (SRT-A) course to any currently certified SRT Unit I graduates. The course is delivered through the cooperative efforts of the training staff from Rescue North Carolina, the Dillsboro River Company, and Duke Energy, and several assistants from surrounding fire & rescue agencies.

Class Info:

This class is the third of three classes needed for personnel desiring to meet requirements of the NFPA 1670 Standard and the NFPA 1006 Standard at the Technician level for water.



The SRT Advanced course is a physically challenging class developed for strong swimmers who will be able to proficiently swim and raft class II & III currents. Students with extensive health concerns are discouraged from attending this course.

The class will be delivered in two separate locations. The lecture will be held at the Swain Campus of Southwestern Community College in Bryson City, NC while the river portion will be taught along the Nantahala & Tuckasegee Rivers throughout the Great Smokies. (River Temperature averages 38°- 45° F)

This course is an objective driven course, class times will be will promptly adhered and will dismiss when all objectives for each training date have been completed.

Attendance to all class sessions is required in order to receive full certification.

Within this course, students will be taught the following:

- Conduct rescue swimming in Class II & III rapids
- New technology and techniques in swiftwater rescue
- Advanced contact swimming rescues during night operations
- Apply N.F.P.A. 1006 Technician level rope rigging operations during night operations.
- Managing a real time River search scenario.
- Highline operations and low head dams.
- Managing rescues over wider spans of water simulating flooded channels.
- Introduction to basic powered Inflatable Rescue Craft operations.

Prerequisites

Students should have completed and certified as:

- SRT Unit I
- NFPA 1006 Rope Rescue Technician (At instructors' discretion)

This course will be considered continuing education for Fire & Rescue certification.

National Fire Protection Association (N.F.P.A.) 1006 Standard for Rescue Technician Professional Qualifications:

The courses that comprise this curriculum to meet NFPA compliance are Swiftwater Rescue Technician Unit 1 (SRT1), Technical Rope Rescue: Technician Level (TRR: TL) and Swiftwater Rescue Technician Advanced (SRTA). These courses are designed with strong adherence and in direct relation to the N.F.P.A. standards associated with swiftwater and flood rescue.

Graduates of this set of courses will have received training in the skills essential to meeting the standards for N.F.P.A. 1006 Standard for Rescue Technician Professional Qualifications. Further, they will have the knowledge needed to assist their agencies in complying with the water and rope rescue sections of N.F.P.A. 1670 Standard on Operations & Training for Technical Search and Rescue Incidents (2004 version).

For Rescue 3 International to verify that these standards have been adhered to, students must take both the SRT1 and the SRTA courses through Rescue 3. However, for the rope training your personnel may either take Rescue 3's Technical Rope Rescue: Technician Level or have rope training which meets the technician level for the 1670 and 1006 Standards from another source. If you feel that your employee(s) has met this standard by in-house training through your department, please fill out the attached "Rope Skills Checklist" and submit it, along with, their registration to the instructor whose course your people are planning to take. Also, if your personnel have had training through a state agency or other recognized training organization which meets the NFPA Standards for rope, send a copy of their certificates to the instructor. Regardless of the outside training involved, it should be done prior to taking the Swiftwater Rescue Technician Advanced (SRTA) course.

Cost & Registration:

Please contact Instructor Trey Smith for pricing details at

e-mail tsmith@rescuenc.com or 704-507-6152

The Schedule(s):

Day 1	Friday	1300-1800	1800-2300	Lecture Southwestern CC; Swain Campus & Nantahala River; Day & Night Ops.
Day 2	Saturday	0800-1800	1800-2300	Nantahala River Day & Night
Day 3	Sunday	0800-1800		Nantahala River Boat Ops.

Training locations may vary so students will need to provide their own transportation.

Equipment

Students will need to bring them to class:

- An approved USCG Type V personal flotation device (PFD)
 - A rock climbing or water rescue vented helmet
 - Drysuits or wetsuits are encouraged.
 - Rope gloves for high angle rescue
 - Waterproof Headlamp for night operations
 - Snacks & water during class
 - Eye Protection
 - Clothing suitable for the environment
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Lodging:

Our SRT Advanced courses are very fluid with respect to the training site locations. Because the courses are taught in the Bryson City, Dillsboro regions, as well as, the Nantahala and the Tuckasegee Rivers, students should consider lodging in the Cherokee tribal Reservation as this is the half-way point between training sites such as Cherokee or Bryson City.

- [Sleep Inn \(Bryson City\)](#)
 - [Microtel Inn: http://www.microtelinn.com](http://www.microtelinn.com)
 - [Days Inn: http://www.daysinn.com](http://www.daysinn.com)
 - [Holiday Inn : http://www.holidayinn.com](http://www.holidayinn.com)
 - [Ramada Inn: http://www.ramada.com](http://www.ramada.com)
 - [Quality Inn: http://www.qualityinn.com](http://www.qualityinn.com)
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Meals:

Meals, snacks, and travel are at the expense of each student. There will be breaks for meals throughout the course. Please bring a hydration system for river trips. A dry bag can be used to keep valuables dry.

Directions

Lodging: Students are encouraged to obtain lodging in the Bryson City, NC area.

Lodging for the course will be not be provided. Students will need to provide their own lodging in the Bryson City, NC region.

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Click on the links to find out more:

- [Microtel Inn Bryson City](#) 828-488-7900
- [Watershed Cabins](#) 1-888-604.3075
- [Nantahala Cabins](#) 1-877-488-1622
- [The Cabins at Nantahala](#) 1-888-447-4436
- [Sleep Inn \(Bryson City\)](#) 1-828-488-0326
- [Falling Waters Group Lodging](#) 1-800-451-9972
- [Nantahala Campground](#) 1-800-936-6649
- [Nantahala Outdoor Center Lodging](#) 1-888-905-7238

[See other area places to stay](#)

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Directions:

Lecture Location:

Directions to Southwestern Community College (Swain Center)

60 Almond School Road | Bryson City, NC 28713 | 828.488.6413 | Fax 828.488.2982



Directions:

Located 5 ½ miles west of Bryson City on Highway 74 in the Luada Community, the Swain Center occupies the old Almond School. This charming old school building houses the Institute of Heritage Arts, the Small Business and Business and Industry Center, Sali Conference Center, the Outdoor Leadership program, computer labs, general

classrooms and an ITV classroom.

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River training site is located at the Nantahala River Commercial Launch site at the intersection of U.S. 74/19 & Wayah Rd. in Macon County. Just west of the Patton's Run overlook in Topton, NC.

Questions???

Contact Instructor Trey Smith at tsmith@rescuenc.com if you have any questions. Or you can reach him at 704-507-6152.