



**ROYAL CANADIAN MARINE
SEARCH & RESCUE**
Saving Lives on the Water
Station 1 • West Vancouver

Membership Application

West Vancouver Marine Rescue Society
6330 Chatham St. West Vancouver BC, Canada V7W 2E2
www.rcmsar01.ca

Please complete and return to **Recruiting Officer:**
Sar1westvan@gmail.com

The Royal Canadian Marine Search & Rescue members are unpaid marine rescue specialist volunteers. It is one of the most task oriented volunteer organizations in Canada that provides support to the regular Canadian Coast Guard 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year.

Personal & Medical

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____

Length of time at this address: _____ Own Rent

Phone: home: _____ mobile: _____ work: _____

E-mail: _____ age: _____ (SAR participants must be 19 years of age)

Do you have any medical conditions which may limit your ability to engage in sustained rigorous physical activity?

Yes No If yes, please state: _____

Is there any other pertinent medical, illness, or injury related details you feel that we need to be aware of?

Yes No If yes, please state: _____

Describe activities you engage in to maintain your fitness level:

Employment & Availability

Employer: _____

Occupation: _____ How long _____

Normal days & hours of work: _____

Are you able to take time off work on short notice? Yes No

Estimate your commute time to the Horseshoe Bay – Gov't Dock

From home: Day: _____ Night: _____

From work: Day: _____ Night: _____

Have you spoken to your employer about joining? Yes No

Do they support your decision? Yes No

Will they allow you to leave from work at anytime? Yes No

Certifications, Qualifications & Skills

Radio Operator's Certificate - Maritime (ROC-M)

Yes No Issue Date & Card #: _____

Pleasure Craft Operator's Card (PCOC)

Yes No Issue Date & Card #: _____

Standard First Aid and (CPR(C))

Yes No Level & expiry date: _____

Boating experience & local area knowledge: _____

Have you ever been a member of another Search & Rescue (SAR) team? Yes No

If yes, please state: _____

Do you belong to any other volunteer organizations? Yes No

If yes, please state: _____

How did you learn about this volunteer position? _____

Why are you interested in joining RCMSAR Station #1?

List any skills or qualifications you feel may be of value for Marine Rescue:

Risk & Commitment

Whenever our SAR members are on call they put themselves at risk. Being part of a SAR crew should be considered an honour, but consider it carefully. Any mariner that goes to sea experiences risk and especially those that endeavour to go out and assist mariners in distress. Please consider also how you will balance your work and family obligations with the commitment expected of a SAR member. We invest a lot of training in our crew members, and our experienced coxswains and trainers will be spending a lot of their volunteer time training you. All we ask in return is your valued commitment.

As a new recruit I agree to:

- Make a minimum commitment of two years (*active service*) once signed off as a SAR crew
- Attend and participate in all new recruit training sessions and modules
- Be on probation for 6 months, and that I can be released of my duties at any time
- Undergo an RCMP criminal record check

Outline how you believe you can balance your work and family obligations with the commitment expected of a SAR:

Being a member of the Royal Canadian Marine Search & Rescue means:

- Over 100 hours a year plus commitment to new crew training with 100% participation
- Dedicating your time to helping and participating in community events, boating safety education, vessel safety inspections, and providing support to assist in community disasters.
- Assisting in fundraising events, vessel maintenance, facility maintenance (*docks/boat houses*), mentoring new members, attending unit meetings, training sessions, special weekend sessions etc.
- Ensuring that training and incident forms are submitted accurately and on time, certificates and personal information updated and accurate in the *RCMSAR Management System*
- A commitment to all the above to ensure safe and successful missions

References

Name: _____

Relationship: _____ How long: _____

Occupation: _____ Phone: _____

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Summary

By submitting this application form I am stating that all information provided above is true and complete and I am authorizing RCMSAR to contact my references. I understand if I am accepted for training I will be subjected to an RCMP criminal records check, and the results will be released to the Royal Canadian Marine Search & Rescue.

Royal Canadian Marine Search & Rescue Station 1 – West Vancouver appreciates the time you have taken to complete this application. Short listed applicants will be contacted for interviews and invited to an orientation and information session. Applications will be kept on file and considered for the next recruitment.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Attended orientation | <input type="checkbox"/> Interviewed | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Record Check info provided |
| <input type="checkbox"/> References checked | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome letter sent | <input type="checkbox"/> Decline letter sent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> File created | <input type="checkbox"/> Data entry completed | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |