

**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
BUSH SEARCH AND RESCUE VICTORIA
BUSHWALKING VICTORIA INC.**



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"This form constitutes an application for registration as an emergency worker,
(Emergency Management Act, 1986) by Bushwalking Victoria".

The application form is for those wishing to join BSAR as a current bushwalking club member. Membership of BSAR is restricted to current members of clubs that are members of Bushwalking Victoria Inc. or individual members of Bushwalking Victoria Inc. It is the club's responsibility to specify when a BSAR member is no longer a member of the club.

Complete in Duplicate:

i) Original to club BSAR Delegate

ii) Copy to Bush Search and Rescue Secretary

SURNAME: _____ **GIVEN NAME:** _____

SEX: MALE FEMALE **DATE OF BIRTH** ____/____/____

ADDRESS: _____

POST CODE: _____

TELEPHONE CONTACT: _____ **HOME** (____) _____

BUSINESS (____) _____ **MOBILE** _____

E-MAIL _____

Indicate your highest level of expertise by placing a tick in the appropriate box for each category.

SKIING EXPERIENCE

- A Advanced skier
 I Intermediate skier

A. Advanced skier

In addition to all skills for Intermediate skier:

- can perform linked turns on slope angles up 35 degrees; eg. resort "Black" run
- can ski steep tree-covered snow terrain
- has cross country downhill (XCD) ski equipment (skis, bindings & boots)

I. Intermediate skier

- overnight snow camping experience
- ski touring with overnight pack
- can perform linked turns on "intermediate" gradient (up to 15 degrees; resort "Blue" run)
- can ski tree-covered snow terrain
- has cross country ski equipment (skis, bindings & boots)

Exclusions

- Beginner skiers
- People who have not skied with a pack.

ICE CLIMBING EXPERIENCE

- T New Zealand technical mountaineering course or equivalent and equipped with ice-axe, crampons, harness and helmet
 C Competent and equipped as above

SNOWSHOE EXPERIENCE

- SE Can use snow shoes and has overnight snow camping experience. Equipped with snow shoes and ski poles
 S Can use snowshoes and has overnight snow camping experience

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- L Outdoor Leadership Training Qualification
 C Club leader

FIRST AID EXPERIENCE

- D Medical practitioner
 P Paramedic
 W Wilderness First Aid or ASPA
 F Current First Aid Certificate
 E Expired First Aid qualification

Date of Expiry ____/____/____

Please list any factors, medical or otherwise, that may limit your service.

DATE: ____ / ____ / ____ **APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:** _____

Recommended by _____ **(club name)**

As minuted at the club committee meeting held on the _____ (date)

CLUB SECRETARY SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: ____ / ____ / ____

ENTRY STANDARD GUIDELINES FOR BUSH SEARCH AND RESCUE VICTORIA

AGE:

Applicants must be at least **18** years of age.

EXPERIENCE:

A minimum of **16** full days of bushwalking, including one or more continuous periods of at least 4 days plus 4 weekends. One of the overnight walks must have been in adverse conditions, and another in snow.

NAVIGATION:

Applicants must be competent in **off-track navigation**, be able to give and interpret **grid references**, be conversant with orienting a map using a compass and relate map to terrain. **Applicants must be capable of being independent in the bush.**

FOOD:

BSAR members are expected to cook and provide their own nutritional meals using dehydrated or freeze-dried meals

EQUIPMENT:

Applicants must have a complete range of overnight camping equipment in good condition, **this includes skiers having suitable skis.**

FITNESS:

Applicants must be capable of prolonged heavy scrub-bashing on steep slopes. Searching imposes greater mental and physical demands than normal bushwalking or ski-touring.

LEAVE:

It is necessary that applicants have suitable arrangements with their employers for leave during searches.