

Wilderness Advanced First Aid Course

Taught by the Wilderness Medicine Institute of NOLS

Sponsored by Venturing Crew 890 of Dallas

DATES: February 8-10 & 15-17, 2008 (40 hours instruction on 2 weekends)
COST: \$350
LOCATION: BSA James Ray, 71 Camp James Ray Rd., Pottsboro TX

Course Description

This program trains participants to respond to emergencies in remote settings. The 40-hour curriculum focuses on stabilization, treatment and evacuation guidelines of patients in backcountry environments. Special topics include: wound management and infection, realigning fractures and dislocations, improvised splinting techniques, head and spine injury management, long-term patient care and up-to-date information on all environmental emergencies. Emphasis is placed on prevention and decision-making, not memorization of lists.

Upon successful completion of practical and written exams, you will receive a two-year WMI of NOLS Wilderness Advanced First Aid certification. This course can be used to recertify students with a current Wilderness First Responder card (current WFR certification from WMI, SOLO, NOLS, WMA or WPT). Please submit a photocopy of your WFR certification on the first day of the course. (There is a one-year grace period for recertification of WMI & NOLS WFR cards. Please keep in mind that you are not current during this grace period and therefore can not work as a Wilderness First Responder.)

Class Format (attendance required for all scheduled classes)

Class will be held from 6-10 p.m. on the two Fridays, February 8 & 15. The four other days (Feb. 9, 10, 16 and 17), class runs from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Format is classroom lecture integrated with practical and realistic scenarios, skills practice sessions, case studies, role playing and simulated rescues.

Equipment and Clothing

You will need: a large day pack with multiple layers, water bottle, waterproof tops and bottoms, sturdy boots, head lamp or flashlight and a watch with a second hand. Meals are included. Please bring outdoor clothing appropriate for lying on the potentially wet, muddy or snowy, cold ground playing the role of either rescuer or patient. Free campsites (with a hot shower) are available if you wish to camp overnight and bring your own tent, sleeping bag and camping gear.

Registration is on a First-Come, First-Served Basis

Minimum age for participants is 16, and class size is limited to 30. After the class is filled, additional registrants will be placed on a waiting list. A \$100 deposit, along with the registration form below, is needed to secure your reservation. Balance of payment of \$250 is due by January 7, 2008, with check payable to Venturing Crew 890. If there are still spaces available after January 27th, \$350 is payable in full upon reservation. Your registration and status will be confirmed by e-mail. Please mail all payments to Robert Squyres, 12429 Wharton, Dallas, TX 75243. For more information, please contact Robert Squyres, phone 972-699-0339, fax 972-699-0058, or e-mail rtsquyres@sbcglobal.net. You can access the course web site at <http://wmi.nols.edu>.

Directions to BSA Camp James Ray

From Dallas take US 75 North to exit 69 (Hwy 120), turn West and follow Hwy 120 to Pottsboro and proceed straight west on FM 996. Follow FM 996 paved road past the church on the right. About 1/2 mile past the church take Locust Road left, proceed to Locust Grocery and turn right on Mill Creek Road. Follow paved road past Camp Texoma and the Girl Scout Camp. The camp entrance is on the right just past Mill Creek Resort Road.

Registration Form -WMI Wilderness Advanced First Aid Course Feb. 8-9 & 15-17, 2008

Name _____ DOB _____

E-mail: _____

Organization _____ Position _____

Mailing Address _____

Hm. Phone _____ Wk. Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

To register, mail this form with a \$100 deposit check, payable to Venturing Crew 890, to:

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Balance of \$250 is due by Jan. 7, 2008, to the same address

If registering after Feb. 2, 2007, payment of \$350 is due in full upon reservation