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Ice Rescue and Emergency Response (PA Fish & Boat Commission)

Hours: 16

Prerequisite: Must be at least 18 years of age on the first day of class, Water Rescue & Emergency Response (WRER)

MCFA # 1324

Manual: Issued in class

Auxiliary equipment: Ice practical requires dry suit or cold water exposure, immersion, survival or ice rescue suit. Type III or IV USCG approved personal flotation device, whistle, 50' throw bag and water rescue helmet.

Certificate: PA Fish & Boat Commission

Limit: 16 students

DOH Con Ed: 2.5 Clinical Patient Care; 14.5 Other

This program is designed to familiarize the rescuer with the safest and most effective method of dealing with an ice emergency. Students will learn how to identify ice conditions, hazards, and escape routes. Practical exercises will include utilizing ice rescue equipment for shore, boat, and direct contact rescue techniques. This course is presented on request to response agencies that may respond to ice rescues. This course is dependent on weather conditions and safe ice thickness at practical training sites. Travel may be required.