

# MOUNTAIN RESCUE ASPEN

## How do I become a member?

Thank you for your interest in Mountain Rescue Aspen (MRA). This document is designed to guide you on the requirements and steps to becoming a member. The first step is to become a MRA “Pledge”. To become a Pledge the steps are:

1. **General Meeting:** attend two out of three consecutive team General Meetings and make proper introductions
2. **Application:** complete a Pledge application and submit it through the [www.MountainRescueAspen.org](http://www.MountainRescueAspen.org) website
3. **Residency:** must have maintained primary residency within 60 miles of the MRA Rescue Cabin for at minimum 6 months continuously
4. **Interview:** be interviewed by a panel of Mountain Rescue Aspen members.
5. **Intro Course:** attend a Mountain Rescue Aspen Introductory Course.

After submitting the application it will be reviewed by the Board of Directors. Prior to being accepted as a pledge, the only event applicants can attend is the General Meetings.

After the interview the Board will notify the applicant if they have been accepted to pledge status. After being accepted as a Pledge, one can attend trainings, events or incidents as an observer after signing the required waiver.

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After being accepted as a Pledge the next step is “Support Member” status. To become a Support Member the following is required at minimum:

1. **Training:** 60% of all trainings after being accepted as a Pledge
2. **General Meetings:** attend 4 of 6 consecutive meetings
3. **Medical:** First Responder or greater medical certification and BLS/CPR
4. **Space Availability:** the team must have an open position on the roster
5. **ICS:** completion of IS-100a & IS-700a
6. **Residency:** must have maintained primary residency within 60 miles of the MRA Rescue Cabin for at minimum 1 year continuously

When the requirements have been met, the pledge may submit an application for “Support Member” status. The application will be reviewed by the Rescue Leader Group and the board of Directors for final approval. Once accepted the support member will be allowed to participate during missions.