



ILLINOIS SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL

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To: Member Agency Point of Contact
From: Illinois Search and Rescue Council Board of Directors
Subject: Membership Application/Memorandum of Agreement/Quorum
Date: June 26, 2021

The Illinois Search and Rescue Council Board (ISARC) of Directors wanted to write to the membership agencies to keep everyone up to date on some of the important items that the Board has been working on in the last year or so.

Attached you will find both a blank Application/Renewal for Organizational Membership form and a copy of the information that was contained in the last form that was filled out by your organization (or with changes that have verbally or via email been updated). With the Membership Application forms you will also find a document that explains the Membership Application form roles. The hope is that it will be clearer how important these roles are to the entire membership and how ISARC does business and therefore moves toward the future. These roles can be held by one or several members within your organization. Please look at the previous Membership Application information over. If there are changes that need to be made, please utilize the fillable blank form to update your organization's information. We use the information listed on the form also to have an up to date resource guide for making resource requests when we get a call for assistance from/on behalf of our law enforcement partners.

Additionally attached is a Board of Directors approved Memorandum of Agreement between ISARC and the Member Agency. In an effort to both make a more professional organization and move toward the possible agreement with IEMA to perform as a Mobile Support Team in our area of expertise, this Agreement defines the obligations and liabilities between the Member Agency and Illinois Search and Rescue Council. Please sign and date this agreement and return to ISARC with the Application/ Renewal for Organizational Membership.

Board of Directors

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Furthermore, the Board is addressing the matters brought up at the Annual Meeting of the Membership concerning the quorum of the voting body. After much discussion on this topic, an alternative solution was entertained and is also listed in the attached communication, in the form of different levels/types of membership. This ongoing matter is affecting ISARC's ability to obtain a quorum, therefore, not allowing any membership business to be conducted.

Please return the updated Application/Renewal for Organizational Membership along with the Memorandum of Agreement between ISARC and the Member Agency at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your support and dedication to the Illinois Search and Rescue Council, as this council is the organization of the membership.

Sincerely,

Board of Directors
Illinois Search and Rescue Council