



MABAS DIVISIONS 4 & 5 SRT

New Member Application Form - Sonar Team 2026

To apply to join the SRT Sonar Team, please complete this form in its entirety and submit it to the SRT Chief Administrative Officer by **JANUARY 15, 2026**.

Application forms must be typed and emailed to admin@srtillinois.org or faxed to 866-560-5538.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Department/District: _____

Dept/Dist Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Dept/Dist Phone: _____ Dept/Dist Fax: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Cell Phone Carrier: _____

Email Address: _____

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

Individuals who wish to join the SRT Sonar Team must have the following:

1. Completion of either the IDNR Boating Safety Course or the USCGA Basic Seamanship Class.
2. Computer experience.

In addition, it is preferred that applicants have boating and water/dive operations experience.

New members must attend the SRT Sonar Team's initial member 2-day training in Spring '26 (date TBD), which will cover boat operation, cable tending, sonar interpretation and search procedures. New members are also required to obtain, or have access to, personal protective equipment. A list of required and suggested clothing/equipment can be found in Appendix A of the SRT Sonar Team SOG. After initial training, there are additional opportunities to be a Drone or ROV operator.

Please provide us with the following requested information regarding your relevant classes/certifications/skills, and attach copies of the certifications to this form:

<u>COURSE</u>	<u>COMPLETION DATE</u>	<u>CERTIFYING AGENCY</u>
Boat. Safety (IDNR)/Basic Seam. (USCGA)*	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Special Skills/Other Courses:

** Required Courses*



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AUTHORIZATION & ANNUAL TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

The above named individual has been authorized by the fire department/district to join the MABAS Divisions 4 & 5 SRT Sonar Team and **must complete the two day training in Spring '26 (date TBD)**. The individual acknowledges and understands that they are responsible for following the Standard Operating Guidelines of the SRT Sonar Team, which are available on the SRT website.

The individual and the fire department/district understand that it is their collective responsibility to maintain all required certifications, training records and medical/fit for duty records pertaining to the individual's membership with the SRT Sonar Team. The individual and fire department/district also acknowledge that all SRT Sonar Team members must complete the following each year to remain on the team's roster:

1. Participate in five (5) SRT Sonar Team trainings, which can be earned as follows:
 - a. Attend SRT Sonar Team training/drills (1 credit / two hours training).**
 - b. Demonstrate the SRT Sonar Team capabilities at an open house or leadership meeting (maximum .5 credit per demonstration).
 - c. Attend SRT Sonar Team meetings and classroom sessions (maximum .5 credit per meeting/session).**
 - d. Respond to and participate in SRT Sonar Team Responses (maximum one (1) credit / two hours per incident / maximum two (2) per year).
 - e. Complete on-line sonar training, with the approval of one of the Sonar Team Leaders (maximum .5 credit per training / maximum one (1) credit per year).
2. When provided, attend an SRT Sonar Team refresher class.

**Note: In order for a training to be considered an SRT Sonar Team training, it must be listed on the SRT Training Calendar, located on the SRT website at www.srtillinois.org.

Applicant Signature: _____

Fire Chief Signature: _____

ADMINISTRATION USE ONLY

Received: Date: _____ By: _____

App N/App

Team Leader Approval: Date: _____ By: _____

App N/App

Ops Chief Approval: Date: _____ By: _____

App N/App

Processed: Date: _____ By: _____