

Search Urgency

Remember – The *lower* the number, the *more urgent* the response!!



Subject: _____
 Date Completed: _____
 Time Completed: _____
 Completed by: _____

A. Subject Profile -----

Age:

Very Young ----- 1
 Very Old ----- 1
 Other ----- 2-3

Medical Conditions:

Known or Suspected Injury or Illness ----- 1-2
 Healthy ----- 3
 Known Fatality ----- 3

Number of Subjects:

One Alone ----- 1
 More than One (Unless Separated) ----- 2-3

Add these three factors to
determine the Subject profile

B. Subject Experience Profile -----

Inexperienced – Not familiar with the area ----- 1
 Inexperienced – Familiar with the area ----- 1-2
 Experienced – Not familiar with the area ----- 2
 Experienced – Familiar with the area ----- 3

C. Weather Profile -----

Past and/or existing hazardous weather ----- 1
 Predicted weather hazard (<8 hours) ----- 1-2
 Predicted weather hazard (>8 hours) ----- 2
 No hazardous weather predicted ----- 3

D. Equipment Profile -----

Inadequate for environment & weather ----- 1
 Questionable for environment & weather ----- 1-2
 Adequate for environment & weather ----- 3

E. Terrain Hazards Profile -----

Known terrain or other hazards ----- 1
 Few or no hazards ----- 2-3

Total -----

8 – 11	12 – 16	17 – 21
Urgent Response	Measured Response	Evaluate & Investigate
If any of the seven categories above are rated as a one (1), regardless of the total, the search could require an urgent response.		

NOTE: All figures are relative and the total from the chart only indicates a possible relative emergency. Other Factors such as history of the area, time elapsed from when the subject was actually unaccounted for, political sensitivity, or other external pressures may have a bearing on the incident and must be evaluated by the Incident Commander to finally establish urgency.