

Breakdown of time required for RRATS Training

Training days / year = 12 x 8 hrs per day = 96 hours per year

Helo & Night Ops:	8 hours
Rope skills:	16 hours
Billy Goat Trail	3 hours
Blowouts, Contact Rescue, Self Rescue, Swimming, Swimmer tending, Tethered swimming, Throwbags:	8 hours
Boat Entry, Pickups	4 hours
Wading, Shallow water ops, Boat Flips, Boat Tows	8 hours
Seneca – Great Falls: 5 hrs on the water: all day (part of operator packet)	8 hours
Anglers – Little Falls: 5 hrs on the water: all day (part of operator packet)	8 hours
Operator packet hours 20 hours (- 14 hours already listed) =	6 hours
Ice rescue, Hypothermia	8 hours
Flood Ops, Lowhead Dam	2 hours
Boat Tows, Paddling	2 hours
Rescue Board, Swimmer Orientation, Area	8 hours
	89 hrs

The preceding list is a rough outline of how many hours are required for training every year. This assumes that everyone gets every topic on the one occasion when it is offered for the year. There is no accommodation to provide training to personnel who were off on a training day for whatever reason. None of the classroom topics or driver training are included at all.

The 96 hours assumes that we get every training day for the full day (this has never happened).

SWBC trainees are required to do all skills at least twice ; (Once for training and second for testing)	Practical skill hours = 37
SWBO trainees are required to do all skills at least twice ; (Once for training and second for testing)	Practical skill hours = 20
Initial training assuming every person attends every training session on the one time it is offered	89 hours
SWBC training to complete Taskbook testing	37 hours
SWBO training to complete Taskbook testing	20 hours
Grand total required per year	146 hours
Training time offered per year	96 hours

Only two of the entries include time for getting to training, setting up, breaking down and getting back to quarters. This averages at least two hours for every on the water training event.

Clean up time of about two hours for every on the water training is also not included in the above figures.

Also not included is time required to familiarize personnel with area and access to different locations.