

Workers' Benefits: Volunteer Search and Rescue Team Member

Utah Code Ann. 67-20-3(3)

An unpaid volunteer search and rescue team member is entitled to workers' compensation through the county where the search and rescue is occurring. They also have the same protections from being held legally responsible as county employees.

Purposes for which a volunteer is considered a government employee ? Limitations of liability for volunteer facilitators

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(a) The county of a county sheriff that certifies and supervises a volunteer search and rescue team member shall provide workers' compensation benefits for the volunteer search and rescue team member as provided in Section 67-20-7.5.

(b) For purposes of Subsections (1)(b) and (c), a volunteer search and rescue team member is considered an employee of the county of the county sheriff that certifies and supervises the volunteer search and rescue team member.