



HFR Solutions CIC and HUMBSAR Launch Nationally Aligned Missing Persons Search Technician Course 2025

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HFR Solutions CIC, in collaboration with Humberside Search & Rescue (HUMBSAR), is pleased to announce the launch of the Missing Persons Search Technician Course.

This five-day course has been developed by a former Police Search Adviser (PolSA) and the former Police National Search Centre Training Manager. Delivered by approved Police National Search Instructors, it ensures delegates are trained in accordance with National Policing Search Standards and are equipped to operate in line with the National Police Service's Concept of Operations and Common Minimum Standards for Search & Rescue.

Designed for both novice and experienced search professionals, the course delivers a structured progression of skills, providing essential knowledge to support missing person searches and enhance operational effectiveness.

Upon completing the course, participants will be qualified in First Aid and navigation methods, proficient in missing persons behaviour techniques, and trained in key disciplines, including:

- Search Techniques
- Missing Person Behaviour
- Map Reading & Navigation
- Radio & Communication Skills
- Point of Find Procedures
- Crime Scene Awareness
- First Aid & Safeguarding
- Water Awareness & Rescue Techniques
- Road Safety
- Health & Safety



The course is currently undergoing Skills for Justice accreditation, with confirmation expected shortly.

“Every missing person search is unique, but the skills and standards underpinning them must be consistent. This course will ensure that our volunteers and partner agencies are fully equipped with the knowledge and confidence to respond effectively, helping us to bring people home and support their families,” said Leigh Smith, HUMBSAR Search Coordinator.

Humberside Search and Rescue (HUMBSAR) is a voluntary Lowland Search & Rescue organisation, providing vital 24/7 support to Humberside Police and its partner agencies. Working alongside HFR Solutions CIC, whose core mission is to make the Humber region a safer place to live and work, this initiative represents a significant step in strengthening regional resilience and safeguarding communities.

Develop your search journey today.



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