



Lee County Florida ARES®

Training Bulletin: #11

Course: Skywarn

Date/Time (if applicable): Scheduled through NOAA in person or Webinar

Location: VARIOUS or ONLINE

Cost: FREE

ARES® Training Level: Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 (Strongly Recommended)

Description: SKYWARN is a volunteer program with nearly 290,000 trained severe weather spotters. These volunteers help keep their local communities safe by providing timely and accurate reports of severe weather to the National Weather Service. SKYWARN spotters provide essential information for all types of weather hazards, the main responsibility of spotter is to identify and describe severe local storms.

Prerequisites: None

Registration Instructions: Visit the Tampa Bay Skywarn web page and schedule to attend any of the courses offered. Note that there are generally no classes offered during the hurricane season. When you complete a course, you will be issued a Skywarn certificate that will need to be renewed every 3 years by completing the course again.

Please remember to forward a copy of your certificate after successfully completing the course to your SERT Trac account, to the Lee County ARES® Administration Chief, and update your Taskbook.

Additional Related, Follow-up or Advanced Courses: Comet MetEd offers additional courses related to meteorology, amateur radio, etc. that are free, but do require you to register to access and track your usage of their courses.