

Air Operators Workshops

New Zealand

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New Zealand Rescue Helicopters



Drivers for conducting the workshops

- New government contracts with the operators have increased the crew numbers so they can provide 24 hr cover
- This has resulted in subsequent reduction of SAR experience
- Health and safety requirements have become an important factor in tasking rescue helicopters

Workshop Programme

Time	Lesson
0830-0840	Course Introduction
0840-0910	Global SAR System
0910-0930	SAR in New Zealand
0935-1005	Tasking Briefing & Health and Safety
1010-1040	Effective SAR Communications
	Morning Tea
1055-1120	Aircraft Crash Site Hazards
1120-1145	Role of the On-Scene Coordinator (OSC)
1150-1230	Cospas-Sarsat System Beacons, Send devices
1230-1330	Lunch
1330-1405	SARMAP
1405-1440	Search Planning & Patterns
1440-1510	Search Planning Theory
1515-1615	Open Discussion
1615-1645	Summarise Days Training Round the class for comments

Outcomes

- During the workshops we had full engagement from the crews
- Information was exchanged at each workshop to provide a better understanding on both sides
- Improvements have been noted in the ops room including:
 - Better understanding of the briefings given when tasking
 - Better debriefings received at RCCNZ

Questions?

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