

ASIA/PACIFIC SEARCH AND RESCUE UNIT CAPABILITY INFORMATION

In accordance with the *Asia/Pacific SAR Plan*, this document provides information on regional State SRUs.

Note: this document does not contain information on all State SRUs, only those SRUs which are capable of operating into another State's SRR.

EXPLANATION OF THE TABLE

Column

1. State.
2. SRU category (*Note: refer IAMSAR Manual Volume II Appendix G for SRU category criteria*)
 - Air units – SRG, MRG, LRG, VLR, ELR, HEL-L, HEL-M or HEL-H.
 - Maritime units – RB or RV [*Note: the boat or vessel speed in knots may be inserted, e.g. RB(14) or RV(10)*].
3. SRU location – full name of the location.
4. SRU capability
 - Air units – indicate specialised capability which may include, but not be limited to, visual search, electronic search (e.g. 121.5/ 243.0/ 406 MHz homer), rescue hoist/winch (day, night), aviation VHF/UHF/HF radio, marine VHF/HF radio, ADS-B, AIS, satellite telephone, droppable SAR equipment [e.g. life raft, survival kit, datum marker buoy (DMB), etc], medical crew, etc.
 - i. life raft capacity should be inserted, e.g. LR (12).
 - ii. survival kits may be indicated by type P (polar), D (desert), M (maritime) or J (jungle) if appropriate.
 - Maritime units – as for air units, indicate specialised capability, for example, electronic search, DMB, deployable fast rescue boat, etc.
5. Remarks – supplementary information such as aircraft type (ICAO designator) or vessel type, etc.
6. Contact – RCC name.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
Australia	MRG	Cairns, Essendon, Perth	Visual search, EO/IR, NVIS, search radar, multi-frequency homer, aviation VHF/HF, marine VHF, ADS-B in/out, AIS, satellite telephone. Droppable kits D, M, J, LR(6), LR(36), DMB	CL60	JRCC Australia
	HEL-M	Darwin	Visual search, electronic search (121.5 / 243 / 406 MHz homer), rescue winch (day/night), NVIS, search lights, aviation VHF/UHF/HF radio, marine VHF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone, droppable SAR equipment (life raft, datum marker buoy), medical crew	A139, BK117	
	HEL-M	Brisbane, Cairns, Townsville	Visual search, electronic search (121.5 / 243 / 406 MHz homer), rescue winch (day/night), aviation VHF/UHF/HF radio, marine VHF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone, droppable SAR equipment (life raft, datum marker buoy, radio)	PC12	
	HEL-M	Darwin	Visual search, electronic search (121.5 / 243 / 406 MHz homer), rescue winch (day/night), aviation VHF/UHF/HF radio, marine VHF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone, droppable SAR equipment (life raft, datum marker buoy, radio)	PC12	

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	MRG	Darwin, Cairns, Melbourne (Essendon), Perth	Visual search, electronic search (121.5 / 243 / 406 MHz homer, search radar), aviation VHF/UHF/HF radio, marine VHF/HF radio, satellite telephone	DH8B, DH8C	
	MRG	Darwin, Gove (Nhulunbuy)	Visual search, electronic search (121.5 MHz), EO/IR, aviation VHF/UHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone, medical crew	B200	
	MRG	Cairns, Sunshine Coast	Visual search, aviation VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	BE20	
	MRG	Perth	Visual search, electronic search (121.5 / 243 / 406 MHz homer), aviation VHF/UHF/HF radio, marine VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	PC12	
	LRG	Darwin	Visual search, aviation VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	BE40, G150	
	LRG	Melbourne (Essendon)	Visual search, aviation VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	H25B	
	LRG	Adelaide	Visual search, aviation VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	F2TH	
	LRG	Perth	Visual search, aviation VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	C560, C55B	
	LRG	Gold Coast	Visual search, aviation VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	H25B	

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	LRG	Melbourne (Tullamarine)	Visual search, aviation VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	A319	
	SRG	Nowra	Visual search, aviation VHF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	C212	
	VLR	Melbourne (Essendon), Sydney	Visual search, aviation VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	GLEX	
	VLR	Sunshine Coast	Visual search, aviation VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	CL60	
	VLR	Perth	Visual search, aviation VHF/HF radio, ADS-B out, satellite telephone	F900	
	RV(13)	Cairns	Range 14,000 NM, carries deployable 6.0m fast rescue craft	Anchor Handling Vessel	
				Other Australian government or military aircraft and vessels may be available on request via JRCC Australia	
Bangladesh	VLR	BAF Base Zahurul Haque, Chattogram		AN32	RCC Dhaka
	HEL-M	Tejgaon Airport, Dhaka and BAF Base Zahurul Haque, Chattogram		AW139	
	RB, RV	MRSC Khulna and Chattogram		Offshore patrol vessel	

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Bhutan	<i>Not Established</i>				
Hong Kong, China	<i>No information to be disclosed</i>				
Fiji	SRG	Nadi, Nausori	Visual search, aviation VHF, HF, ADS-B out	E110, BN2, DHC6, Cessna 208	Nadi ARSC
	HEL-L	Nadi	Visual search, aviation VHF, ADS-B out	AS350, Bell 407, Bell 212	
	RV(2)	Suva		Guardian class patrol boats	
Japan	<i>No information to be disclosed</i>				Tokyo RCC
Malaysia	MRG/LRG	Subang Maritime Air Station	Amphibious "water bomber" used for aerial firefighting, maritime patrol & MSAR	CL415MP	MRCC Putrajaya ARCC Kuala Lumpur
	HELI-H / Super Medium	Subang Maritime Air Station	Multi-purpose helicopter. Used for long-range MSAR mission and coastal patrol duties	AW189	
	HELI-M	Subang Maritime Air Station	Multi-purpose helicopter. Primary used for SAR mission and coastal patrol duties	AW139	
	MRG	Subang Airbase	Para Rescue Team	C-130H	ARCC Kuala Lumpur
	MRG	Labuan Airbase	Para Rescue Team	C-130H	ARCC Kota Kinabalu

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	-	Subang, Butterworth, Kuantan, Kuching and Labuan Airbases	Air-droppable life raft with survival kit (LR18) - Type Heliraft F18R Mk1 SAR	Stored at designated Air Force Bases, for use by agency air-SRUs (HELI-H, SRG/MRG/LRG) in aeronautical and maritime SAR operations	ARCC Kuala Lumpur ARCC Kota Kinabalu
	RV	Maritime State (MS) Pahang	Long-range seagoing craft (92 m); capable of carrying HELI and UAVs for SAR mission. Sick bay for medical treatment	KM PEKAN	MRCC Putrajaya ARCC Kuala Lumpur ARCC Kota Kinabalu
	RV	MS Sabah	Long-range seagoing craft (87 m); capable of carrying HELI and UAVs for SAR mission. Sick bay for medical treatment	KM ARAU	
	RV	MS Sarawak	Long-range seagoing craft (83 m); capable of carrying HELI and UAVs for SAR mission. Sick bay for medical treatment	KM TUN FATIMAH	
	RV	MS Sabah	Long-range seagoing craft (75 m); capable of carrying HELI and UAVs for SAR mission. Sick bay for medical treatment	KM BANGGI	
	RV	MS Pahang	Long-range seagoing craft (75 m); capable of carrying HELI and UAVs for SAR mission. Sick bay for medical treatment	KM LANGKAWI	
	RV	MS Sabah	Long-range seagoing craft (75 m); capable of carrying HELI and UAVs for SAR mission. Sick bay for medical treatment	KM LANGKAWI	

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	RV	MS Sabah	Long-range seagoing craft (75 m); capable of HELI deck landing operation and UAVs for SAR mission. Sick bay for medical treatment	KM BENDAHARA	
Mongolia	HEL-H	Ulaanbaatar	Visual search, IR, search radar, multi-frequency homer, aviation VHF/H, satphone	EC145-C2	RCC Mongolia
New Zealand	VLR	Palmerston North	UNI-PAC III air-drop survival kit HF, VHF and SATCOM Inmarsat Radar search DF EO/IR Turret (MX-20) Visual search	P-8A LR (20)	RCC New Zealand
	VLR	Auckland	Dual SRA HF, VHF and SATCOM Radar DF EO Turret (MX-20) Visual search DADD Pack - Flares	C-130J Basic Radar Not IR capable	
	HEL-M	Palmerston North	Basic radar No IR Dual hoist Overwater capable	NH90 – Overland only – No wet winch	

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Singapore	RV(15)	Changi Naval Base	Range 3500-5000 NM, equipped with Rigid Hull Inflatable Boats (RHIBs) Craft with Heli-deck platform		RCC Singapore
	RV(12)	Changi Naval Base	Range 1800-2000 NM, equipped with Rigid Hull Inflatable Boats (RHIBs)		
	LRG	Singapore	Day/night search Electronic search Weather radar Aviation VHF/HF, Marine VHF Satellite communication system Marine markers Parachute flares (night illumination)	Search and locate	
	VLR		Day/night search Electronic search Weather radar Aviation VHF/HF, Marine VHF Satellite communication system Marine markers Parachute flares (night illumination)	Search and locate	

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	HELI-M		Day/night search Electronic search Weather radar Aviation VHF/HF, Marine VHF Satellite communication system Dual hoist	Search and rescue	
	HELI-H		Day/night search Electronic search Weather radar Aviation VHF/HF, Marine VHF Satellite communication system Dual hoist	Search and rescue	
Thailand	HEL-L	Chonburi, Songkhla and Phuket Province		EC-145	JRCC Bangkok
	MRG			Dornier 228	
	RV(25)			Offshore vessel	
	RB(30)			Offshore boat	
	MRG	Bangkok		KA-32	