

11th International Cave Rescue Conference



Austrian Cave Rescue Service - Salzburg

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History

- Founded in 1966 within Federation of Caving
- Own legal entity since 1989
- Integration to Act of Rescue 1999

Call outs per year

70ties: 4-5

now: 2-3

	Members 2007
60	Overall
3	Doctors
4	Cave samaritans
35	Fit for the cave
20	Women

Financing

- Government
(Yearly Rescue contribution)
- Rescue Fee
- Donation system
- Support of sightseeing mines
(contribution per visitor)
- Sponsoring

Government Cooperation

- Financial Aid
- Specific training
 - e.g. operation management, press handling, peer education
- Various support
 - Initiate communication with other rescue services
 - Support on organisational topics as for example insurances or implementation of training quality checks
- Support during rescue operations
 - Organise e.g. helicopter, infrastructure, food,...
 - For big incidents: overall operation management - no interference to cave rescuing

Insurance of the rescue team

For rescue operations, rescue drills and other operations

- Accident insurance (death, disability, salvage expenses, hospital daily allowance)
- Casualty insurance
- Legal protection insurance
- Comprehensive insurance for private automobiles

Rescue operations abroad

- Neighbouring countries

 - Direct request to the cave rescue service

- Other countries

 - Request to the Austrian state

 - e.g. by International Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement

Rescue operations abroad

Preconditions for a log into the EU-rescue database of MIC (Monitoring and Information Centre)

- Personell
- Material and infrastructure
- Response time

Caving in Austria

- For Expeditions a governmental permission is necessary.
The Caving Federations are helping with the application.
- Permissions are also sent to the Rescue Services.
- Emergency numbers in Austria:
112 and 144

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