



Government of Newfoundland and Labrador
Justice and Public Safety
Emergency Services Division

TO: Manager of Plans and Operations
Regional Emergency Management & Planning Officers (REMPOs)
Administrative Officer I

FROM: Director, Emergency Services Division

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SUBJECT: Police personnel authorized to request air support

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Team,

As you are aware, it is the police of jurisdiction (POJ), either the Royal Newfoundland Constabulary (RNC) or the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), who have the mandate and subsequently lead the investigation into lost / missing persons in Newfoundland and Labrador (NL). One of the resources available to assist the police with their investigation is the dedicated group of volunteers who make up the twenty-four (24) Ground Search and Rescue (GSAR) teams in NL.

In these cases, GSAR teams are activated by the POJ. Should it be determined by the POJ that air support is required, it will be a designated representative of the POJ who contacts the Emergency Services Division (ESD) to request air support. Internal ESD processes will be followed to determine which resource will be tasked to provide the air support.

A list of designated representatives from each POJ is attached to this document. Should anyone other than those on the authorized list contact the ESD and request air support in an exigent circumstance, ESD staff will contact the respective police Communications Center at the number provided to validate the request and ensure proper authorization is in place.

The list of designated representatives will be updated annually by the Manager of Plans and Operations.

This directive supersedes any previous instructions, written or verbal, you may have been provided.

Thank you.

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Mitch Rumbolt
Director
Emergency Services Division
Department of Justice and Public Safety



LIST OF DESIGNATED POLICE PERSONNEL WHO ARE AUTHORIZED TO REQUEST AIR SUPPORT FOR A GROUND SEARCH & RESCUE TASKING

Police Representatives Authorized to Request Air Support			
Royal Newfoundland Constabulary			
	Name	Rank	Position
St. John's			
<i>Communications Centre 729-8000</i>			
1	Karen Didham	Sgt.	GSAR Coordinator
2	Colin Deacy	Sgt.	Assistant GSAR Coordinator
3	Debbie Andrews	Cst.	Assistant GSAR Coordinator
Corner Brook			
<i>Communications Centre 637-4100</i>			
1	Ryan Wentzell	S/Sgt.	Assistant GSAR Coordinator
2	G. Green	Cst.	Assistant GSAR Coordinator
Lab City / Churchill Falls			
<i>Communications Centre 944-7602</i>			
1	Shawn Dyke	A/Sgt.	Assistant GSAR Coordinator
2	Shane Lahey	Cst.	Assistant GSAR Coordinator
Royal Canadian Mounted Police			
<i>Communications Centre 772-5400</i>			
1	Danny Williams	Sgt.	Emergency Management
2	Pat Dornan	S/Sgt.	Emergency Management
3	Wayne Newell	S/Sgt.	Risk Manager
4	Curtis Ashford	Sgt.	Risk Manager
5	Kelly Bryan	S/Sgt.	Risk Manager
6	Wayne Edgecombe	S/Sgt.	Risk Manager
7	Troy Bennett	S/Sgt.	Risk Manager
8	Larry Turner	S/Sgt.	Risk Manager
9	Rod Tiller	S/Sgt.	Risk Manager
10	Danny Knight	S/Sgt.	Risk Manager

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