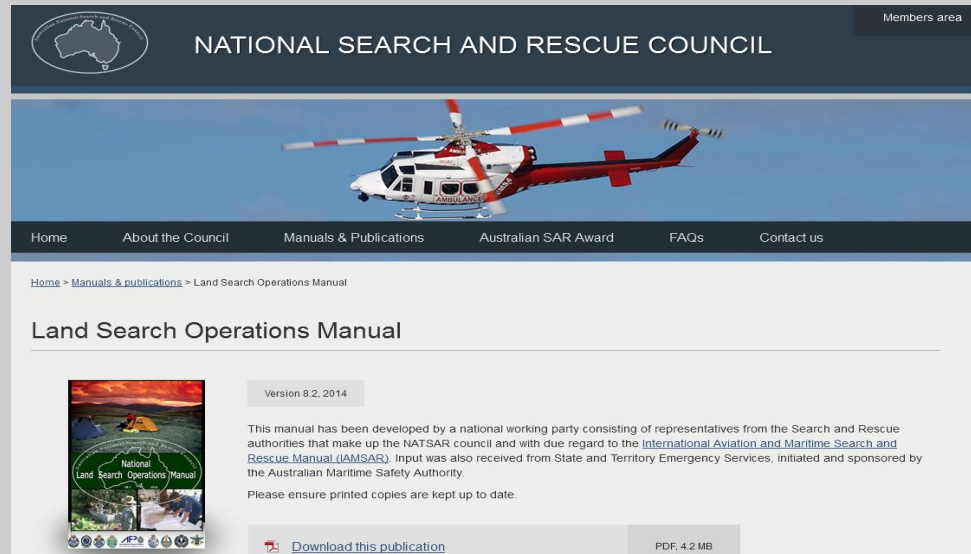


Home Page



The screenshot shows the website for the National Search and Rescue Council. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the council's logo on the left and the text "NATIONAL SEARCH AND RESCUE COUNCIL" in the center. A "Members area" link is visible on the right. Below the header is a large image of a red and white helicopter. Underneath the image is a navigation menu with links for "Home", "About the Council", "Manuals & Publications", "Australian SAR Award", "FAQs", and "Contact us". The main content area shows a breadcrumb trail: "Home > Manuals & publications > Land Search Operations Manual". The title "Land Search Operations Manual" is prominently displayed. Below the title is a small thumbnail image of the manual cover, which features a map of Australia and various search and rescue scenes. To the right of the thumbnail, the text indicates "Version 8.2, 2014" and provides a brief description of the manual's development by a national working party. A "Download this publication" button is located at the bottom right, with a note that the PDF is 4.2 MB.

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URL

<https://natsar.amsa.gov.au/land-search-manual.asp>

Subject

Rescue work—Australia—Handbooks, manuals, etc.

Accessibility

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Australian National Search and Rescue Council

Brief History

The National Search and Rescue Council is a cooperative body that is responsible for the national search and rescue response arrangements in Australia. The Council members are from the Australian Maritime Safety Authority, the Australian Defense Force and State, Territory and Federal Police, who signed an Intergovernmental Agreement confirming its role as the national coordinating body for search and rescue. They create the Land Search Operations Manual. Others who were engaged with this manual are National Working Party representative of Police,

State/Territory Emergency Services, the Australian Defense Force and the Australian Maritime Safety. The 8.4 version of this manual is published in 2014.

Scope and Coverage

The Land Search Operations Manual outlines the agreed methods of coordination through which land search and rescue operations are conducted within Australia. The manual covers the topics like search and rescue system, communications, awareness and initial action, search planning and assessment, land search techniques and operations, rescue planning and operations in land, training and exercises on this job, and medical factors. At the end of the chapters it includes appendices.

Kind of Information

The purpose of this manual is to provide a comprehensive reference source for those Authorities that have the responsibility for conducting land search and rescue operations within Australia. In fulfilling this purpose the manual provides information on different kinds of search and rescue techniques and other related information. As for example in the chapter namely “Communications” it provides different kinds of communication like telephone or radio communication, rear net and forward net communication, and frequencies, air communication, and others which generally can be conducted during the search and rescue process. This chapter also discusses the related procedures and practices, communication requirements, etc. Another chapter namely “Search Techniques and Operations (Land)” firstly provides information on land assets, marine and air assets and then on search planning, strategies, fast search techniques, and considerations, general search methods, etc.

Special Features

- The National Search and Rescue Manual is reviewed and updated through an annual amendments program. The website provides amendment history.
- All the chapters of this manual are separately arranged at the home page for quick access Users can also download the whole handbook.

Arrangement Pattern

In this handbook the contents are divided into chapters and all the chapters are arranged topic wise.

Remarks

The Land Search Operations Manual is the standard reference document for use by all Australian Search and Rescue (SAR) authorities. It is promulgated by the National SAR Council operating under direction from relevant Commonwealth, State and Territory Ministers. The Manual promulgates SAR coordination

procedures for SAR operations conducted within Australia and the Australian SAR Region (SRR).

Comparable Tools

- National Search and Rescue Manual
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