

WHY DO THIS COURSE?

Aircraft have revolutionised remote access. In the past tasks that may have taken days to accomplish can now be completed in a matter of hours with a suitable aircraft, a skilled pilot and experienced personnel that have trained to work together. Due to this quick and relatively easy access personnel can go from pavement to remote wilderness quickly without the time to mentally or physically adjust to the conditions and/or environment. Training is an important step to address these issues.

This course is designed to give those involved with helicopter and aircraft operations an understanding and appreciation of the hazards and requirements to work safely around aircraft. There are both theory and practical components to the course to insure that a wide variety of learning styles are met. Two NZQA Unit Standards will be assessed: US 423 – Work with Helicopters, and US 20388 – Work with Aircraft at Emergency Incidents.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

The overall objective is to focus on the basics of working safely in and around aircraft.

Participants will be required to:

- Demonstrate how to safely and efficiently load and unload personnel and equipment.
- Demonstrate simulated survival procedures and know the location and use of emergency equipment.
- Locate and manage a safe landing site for an emergency incident.
- Effectively communicate with the pilot of an aircraft.
- Identify and manage risks appropriately.

Completing this course can be accredited towards a SAR qualification.

COST

This course attracts education funding. As such participants who enrol on this course, who complete the necessary enrolment documentation and meet enrolment criteria will not incur any tuition fees. International students, or individuals who prefer to pay for the course, will be invoiced. All invoices must be paid within 14 days of the course.

Access to a stationary helicopter is required to complete the assessment requirements of the Unit Standards. To achieve the best learning it is recommended that some flying time is contributed towards the course. Helicopter hire is the responsibility of the host organisation.

WHAT NEXT

You need to apply for a place on the course by providing your full legal name, date of birth and contact details (address, phone, email) to your course organiser.

You will be sent an enrolment pack from SARINZ. Once you have filled out and sent in your enrolment you will be accepted on the course.

All course logistics such as accommodation, travel, meals, venue will be arranged by the course organiser. Start times will be confirmed by your course instructor.

COURSE PROGRAMME

Pre-workshop:

Consists of reading, exercises and written activities designed to introduce you to working with aircraft safely. This needs to be completed prior to the practical workshop.

Workshop:

Consists of the practical component of the course delivered in one day.

Timing is approximately 9am until 4pm. Finishing time dependant on the flying component of the training.

PRE-REQUISITES

Completion of the Introductory Workbook and involvement in some aspect of helicopter operations and/or the search and rescue sector.

WHAT TO BRING

- Participants are required to bring a small filled day pack and will be expected to wear their workplace nominated protective clothing and footwear (PPE) for operating near helicopters.

For a SAR environment this may include:

- Suitable sturdy footwear
- Warm/windproof clothing
- Eye protection/goggles

Other workplaces may also include:

- Hard hat with chin strap
- Hearing protection (grade 5 or better)
- Synthetic Overalls/Coveralls
- Other PPE as identified by the workplace

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TAI POUTINI POLYTECHNIC CERTIFICATE IN SEARCH AND RESCUE

OVERVIEW

The Certificate in Search and Rescue requires completion of various Tai Poutini Polytechnic provider units and NZQA unit standards. Some units have pre-requisites. Units have been grouped for best method of delivery under the following headings:

- Tracking
- Track and Clue Awareness
- Lost Subject Behaviour
- Search Method
- Suburban Search
- Alzheimers
- Clue Rich Environments
- First Aid
- Computer Mapping
- Co-ordinated Incident Management System
- Managing Land Search Operations
- Foundation Rope
- Personal Rope
- Intermediate Rope Slope
- Intermediate Rope Vertical
- Advanced Rope Rescue
- Avalanche
- Swiftwater Rescue
- Incident Management/Group Management Software programme training
- SAR Team Leader
- Helicopter Safety
- Helicopter Rescue
- 4WD Driver Training.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Be a minimum of 16 years of age. (If 16 years plus and still at Secondary School, special criteria apply – please contact the Programme Co-ordinator for Search and Rescue at TPP)
- Applicants for whom English is a second language must meet IELTS (or equivalent) Level 5.5.

Selection Criteria apply. Please contact the Polytechnic for details.

Special Entry may be granted where evidence exists that the applicant can successfully complete the programme. Please contact the Polytechnic for details. Ph 0800 800 411.

Note: Some courses within this programme require specific levels of physical ability.

ENROLMENT

- All students must complete an enrolment or re-enrolment form.
- For those first time enrolments you must supply certified identification and residency status documentation.

To qualify as a domestic student, you must be a citizen of New Zealand (including the Cook Islands, Tokelau, or Niue who have New Zealand citizenship) or a permanent resident of New Zealand or a citizen or permanent resident of Australia residing in New Zealand. You must provide evidence of citizenship or permanent residency and to do so you must produce one of the following:

- Birth certificate with place of birth stated as New Zealand, Cook Islands, Tokelau or Niue.
- New Zealand passport
- A statement of Whakapapa, including date of birth, countersigned by a kaumatua.
- Certificate of citizenship or letter of confirmation.
- Overseas passport with residency stamp.

If a copy of your birth certificate is required, please complete the details on your enrolment form and include a fee of \$26.00. (Note: The Polytechnic cannot apply for Birth Certificates from outside New Zealand.) Alternatively, please include an original or certified copy of your birth certificate.

We look forward to working with you to achieve your learning goals.