



Induction to the SAUSARTF Canine Capability

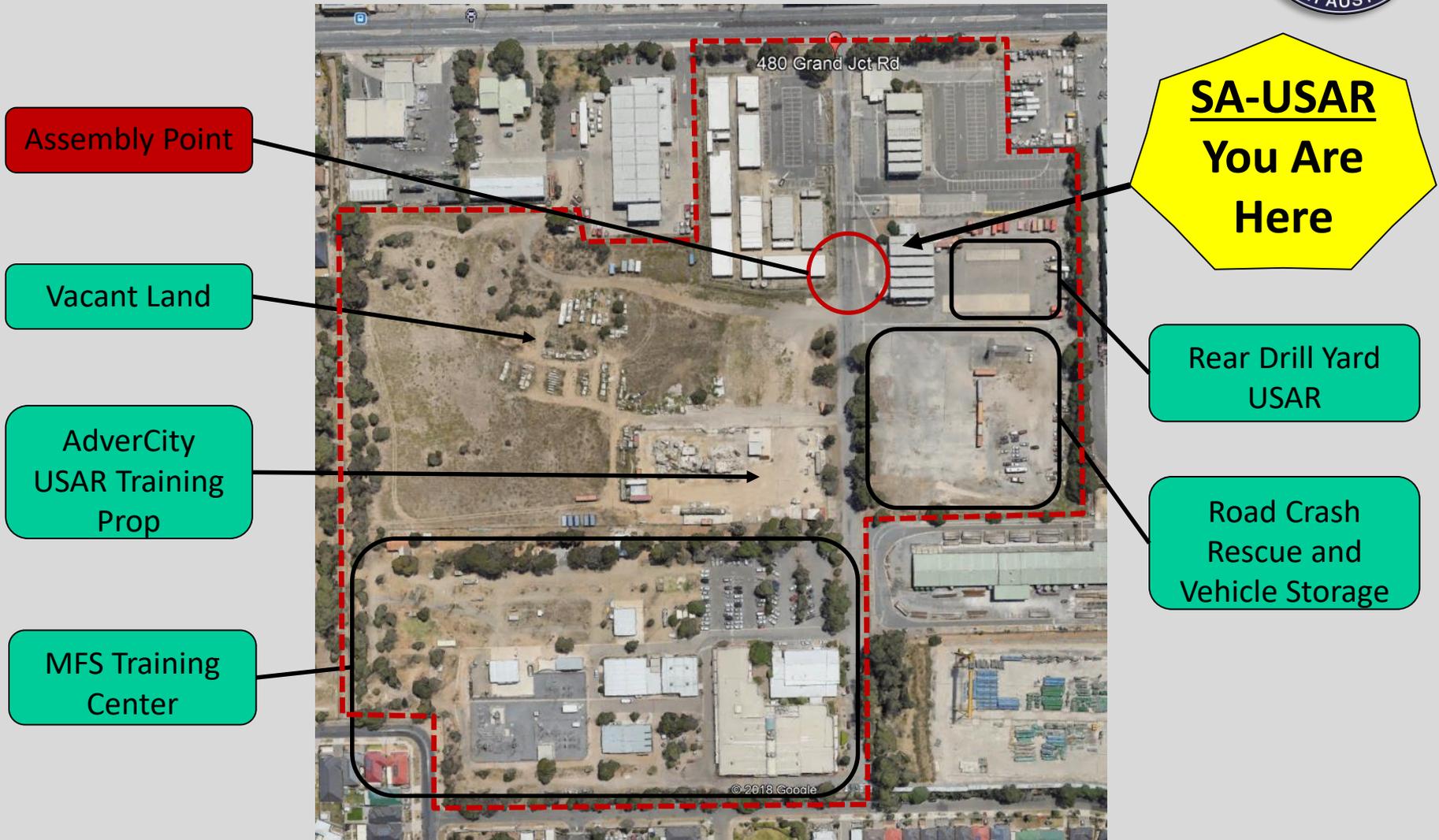
Objectives



- Familiarize yourself with USAR training facilities
- Understand your role in the training of search and rescue dogs for Urban Search and Rescue
- Identify minimum PPE and PPC requirements
- Work safely in USAR environments
- Understand the “No Duff” emergency response procedures



Welcome to Angle Park Training Centre!





Welcome to Angle Park Training Centre!

USAR Building (The USAR Shed)

- Toilet facilities
- Mess and briefing room
- Tea, Coffee and Fridge

K9 Equipment Storage

- K9 training equipment stored in the container adjacent to SE corner of the USAR shed

Evacuation Assembly Point

- In case of emergency the assembly point is West of the USAR Shed



Training Assistant Roles

Don't have a canine???

Besides duties as a handler, participants can contribute greatly to the canine capability through performing the following roles;

- Assist set up and management of training equipment and handler needs.
- Act as a delegated Safety Officers
- Assist as a spotter for handlers when training difficult skills
- Assisting in the training of alert behaviour
- Assisting in the training of search work
- Assist in the set up, management, and delivery of assessments.
- Acting as a victim during an assessment

Hazards



The environment we work and train in is one where significant occupational hazards and risks are present.

Access the site unless accompanied or advised by a delegated SA-USAR or SARC-SA member.

Hazards participants may be exposed to when undertaking USAR related activities at the APTC include but are not limited too;

- Canines
- Dust
- Unstable surface
- Sharp surfaces
- Confined area work
- Work from heights
- Hazardous materials
- Wildlife eg snakes, spiders
- Cold
- Dehydration



Hazards



- In order to maximise safety and minimise the potential for injuries SAUSARTF has identified a Safe Work Method Statement (SWMS).
- All participants must make every effort to abide by the guidelines contained within the SWMS.



South Australian USAR Task Force
State Canine USAR Capability.



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| Technical Rescue –USAR Gate 4, 480 Grand Junction Rd. Angle Park S.A. | Alex Withers Canine Liaison Officer Mobile: 0431 855 281 Email: alex.withers@sa.gov.au | Urban Search and Rescue - USAR Search Dog Operations Safe Working Method Statement Ver.1.0 |
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| Site Location | SWMS Prepared by Name / Position | Secondary Site Contact | USAR Safety Officer Name & Contact |
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| MFS Training College Gate 4, 480 Grand Junction Rd. Angle Park | Alex Withers Canine Liaison Officer SAUSARTF M: 0431 855 281 | Duncan Cochrane Commander Technical Rescue / USAR | Alex Withers Canine Liaison Officer SAUSARTF M: 0431 855 281 |
| Type of Site | Date Prepared | SARC-SA Contact Name & Contact | Deputy Safety Officer Name & Contact |
| MFS Training Centre USAR structural collapse training prop and facilities | 17/12/18 | Cornelia (Carla) Prinsloo President SARC-SA M: 0433344352 | Cornelia (Carla) Prinsloo President SARC-SA M: 0433344352 |
| Site Contact & Contact Number | Review date | Emergency Contact | First Aid Officer Name & Contact |
| Alex Withers SA USAR Task Force M: 0431 855 281 | 17/12/2019 | Alex Withers Canine Liaison Officer SAUSARTF M: 0431 855 281 | Alex Withers Canine Liaison Officer SAUSARTF M: 0431 855 281 |

| Minimum PPE/PPC Requirements | Hazard Considerations | Special site considerations and procedures | Other |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long Sleeve Shirt Hi Viz Long Pants Hi Viz Safety Footwear w ankle support Sunhat/Cap Helmet Knee Pads/Elbow Pads (when on rubble) Safety Glasses/Safety Goggles Safety Gloves Sunscreen Other Wet Weather as required | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slip & Trip Hazards Weather Manual handling Accidental dog bites Sharps Biologicals Spiders Snakes Heavy vehicles & equipment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site pre-assembly Site sign in Vehicle staging and access Induction Shelter Induction and supervision Vehicles/Plant equipment Warning Signs First Aid Communications | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site security |

SWMS Angle park
Version 1.0



Working Safely

5 Steps to Maintain Personal Safety





Working Safely

The Importance of PPE

- Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is a set of ‘engineered barriers’ – barriers between your body and hazards.
- It is important to recognise that whilst PPE helps to protect you, it does not ensure your protection!
- PPE should be used with other protection methods to maximise safety in your work.



Working Safely

Personal Protective Equipment

Minimum PPE/PPC Requirements for canine search specialist whilst training for Urban Search and Rescue:

- Long Sleeve Shirt with 'high viz' reflective taping
- Full length pants with 'high viz' reflective taping
- Ankle length boots with shank and safety toe
- Helmet
- Gloves
- Safety Glasses
- Elbow and Knee pads



Site Specific Activities & PPE / PPC



Rear Drill Yard

Is the tarmac area east of the USAR Shed where agility/obedience/direction and control/ and alert behaviour is usually conducted.

Hazards: Hard Stand Surfaces, Small trip hazards, minor uneven surfaces, weather, heat, sun.

Minimum PPE and PPC:

Closed Shoes / Boots

Trousers

T-Shirt

Sun protection and sun screen

Access to water

Hiz Vis if vehicles are operating in the area



Site Specific Activities & PPE / PPC



RCR Training and Vehicle Storage Area

The vehicle storage yard and training pad South East of the USAR shed. The facility is used for area search training and motivational search exercises,

Hazards: Loose gravel surfaces, vehicle wrecks with sharps hazards, broken automotive glass, spiders, snakes, timber piles with trip and sharps hazards, weather, heat, sun, poor lighting

Minimum PPE and PPC

- Trousers and long sleeve shirt
- Gloves and Safety Glasses
- Boots
- Sun protection and sun screen
- Access to water
- Hiz Vis if vehicles are operating in the area
- Communications at all times
- Personal light source as required



Site Specific Activities & PPE / PPC



MFS Training Centre

Buildings, carpark, gardens and open spaces South of the AdverCity USAR Training Prop.

Hazards: Hard stand surfaces, gravel surfaces, small trip hazards, minor uneven surfaces, snakes, weather, heat, sun, poor lighting.

Restrictions: Avoid operating in areas that are in direct proximity to cars that have been used for RCR training activities



Site Specific Activities & PPE / PPC



MFS Training Centre

Minimum PPE and PPC:

- Closed Shoes / Boots
- Trousers and long sleeve shirt
- Sun protection and sun screen
- Carry water at all times.
- Hiz Vis if vehicles are operating in the area
- Communications at all times
- Personal light source as required



Site Specific Activities & PPE / PPC



AdverCity USAR Training Prop

Is the dedicated disaster simulation training facility located South West of the USAR shed

Hazards: Slips, trips, uneven surfaces, loose surfaces, voids, heights dust, sharps, abrasive surfaces, restricted spaces, spiders, snakes weather, heat and sun, poor lighting.

Special instructions: Use 3 points of contact whilst moving on rubble and uneven surfaces. Heed any exclusion zones. No entry unless authorised or accompanied by a delegated SAUSARTF or SARC-SA member.



Site Specific Activities & PPE / PPC



AdverCity USAR Training Prop

Minimum PPE:

- Trousers and long sleeve shirt
- Gloves and Safety Glasses
- Rated helmet
- Boots
- Sun protection and sun screen
- Carry water at all times
- Hiz Vis if vehicles are operating in the area
- Communications at all times
- Personal light source as required



First Aid

Every canine handler is required to carry or have access to a personal first aid kit when training with their canine away from the USAR shed.

Comprehensive Industry First Aid Kits are also located;

- On Wall immediately adjacent to USAR Mess
- At the entry desk adjacent the attendance Register and the radio charging station
- On site under the AdverCity training prop shelter when training at this location.

“NO Duff” Emergency Procedure



All participants need to understand the **‘NO DUFF’** protocol.

- **NO DUFF** is used to signify a situation where a person’s (or canine) safety and welfare has been compromised and needs immediate action.
- When a **NO DUFF** is called all activities are stopped and communications / radio silence maintained by those not affected.
- The Safety Officer makes immediate radio contact persons affected.
- The situation must be attended to immediately and all activities cease until resolved

WHO is being affected, WHAT is happening, WHERE are they located?



Actions On

Near Miss / Minor injury to personnel

- To be reported to the Safety Officer , Deputy Safety officer or delegate.
- Notify First Aid officer and administer first aid if required
- Safety Officer to relay the incident to the SAUSARTF Canine Liaison Officer.
- Incident to be recorded using HIRMS and investigated and reviewed as required.



Actions On

Accident / injury to personnel

- NO Duff” Emergency procedure activated as required.
- All personnel notified of No Duff incident
- If “No Duff” activated communications with affected personnel established and radio silence maintained by all other parties
- Incident to be immediately reported to the Safety Officer, Deputy Safety officer or delegate
- Notify First Aid officer
- Call Triple Zero if an emergency response is required and administer first aid
- Safety Officer to relay the incident to the SAUSARTF Canine Liaison Officer
- Incident to be recorded using HIRMS, investigated and reviewed as required.



Actions On

Accident / injury to canine

- “NO Duff” Emergency procedure activated as required.
- Immediately reported to the Safety Officer, Deputy Safety officer or delegate.
- Notify First Aid officer
- If an Emergency call Emergency Veterinary Support and administer First Aid and arrange transport.
- Safety Officer to relay the incident to the SAUSARTF Canine Liaison Officer.
- Incident to be recorded using **CAIR** form and investigated and reviewed as required.



Actions On

Accident / injury to canine

AEC Adelaide – 24 Hour Care

102 Magill Road, Norwood

Ph: 08 8362 1722

Adelaide Animal Emergency Centre – 24 Hour Care

119 Anzac Highway, Kurrulta Park

Ph: 08 8371 0333

Put these details in your phone NOW!



Actions On

Fire/Site Evacuation/Other Emergency

- NO Duff” Emergency procedure activated as required.
- Communications and radio silence maintained and all personnel to be notified of incident by relevant person.
- Assemble at the emergency assembly point as directed by the Safety Officer or delegate.
- Call Triple Zero if an emergency response is required
- Safety Officer to relay the incident to the SAUSARTF Site Coordinator or Emergency Contact.
- Unless an emergency requires evacuation from the venue, await direction from Site Coordinator or Safety Officer





Personal Care

Training canines can be very tiring and physically demanding.

Please ensure you

- Stretch and warm up before undertaking activities.
- Monitor your fatigue levels
- Maintain personal hydration
- Rest as required

Never be afraid to ask for a rest or an opportunity to take a break. Without you we can not train our dogs

Welcome to USAR!



Questions?

