

# 2023 NZ Hang Gliding Nationals Emergency Plan

## Emergency Plan

Your own safety must come first.

You cannot help in an emergency if you are injured yourself.

**End of Task:** Team Sign Out/CHECK BACK via. Drivers WhatsApp Group (if no confirmation back by 2000 then)

## **REVIEW THE DOCUMENT ENTITLED: Rescue Services - Who To Call**

**Emergency services : Dial 111**

**Rescue Coordination Center : 0508 ACCIDENT (0508 222 433)**

**IF YOU HAVE AN ACCIDENT:** and require assistance

Leave your glider spread open to alert others..

Call for help as per the **Rescue Services - Who To Call** procedure.

**IF YOU WITNESS AN ACCIDENT:**

**Note location** and notify organisers by radio.

**If you can land nearby SAFELY do so**

Administer **first aid**

Call for help from nearby pilots.

If someone is injured Call for help as per the **Rescue Services - Who To Call** procedure.

Have the following **information** ready:

1. Nature of emergency – Accident / Illness
2. Name of patient
3. Location of patient – location: GPS coordinates in dd.mm.mmm or bearing and distance to the next WP or from last WP or a landmark with altitude where appropriate.
4. Details of accident and injuries
5. What action has been taken.
6. Does the patient suffer from any known medical conditions / allergies?
7. Site accessibility – 2WD / 4WD / helicopter
8. Your name and cell phone number
9. Keep your radio on.

**If you witness an accident but cannot land**

**MARK the position** on your GPS, NOTE the distance to the next turnpoint,

**REPORT** info on the VHF channel

**KEEP IN SIGHT** of the accident if you can do so safely. You will get compensation for lost points.

**MAINTAIN CONTACT** by radio with the organisers and the injured pilot.

**CHECK** on landing that the incident has been attended to.

## **Missing person**

**Please note** it is the pilots responsibility to use all possible means of communication to “check-BACK” should it become evident that the “report- in” DEADLINE will not be met.

If a pilot (pilots team) has not “checked back” to the Meet Director, by the competition “report in deadline”, then the pilot is assumed to be a missing person and the procedures below will commence. Generally, these actions will be

undertaken by the Meet Director. If they are unavailable, then the Technical Delegate or any member of the Comp Committee will take their place.

### **Pilot missing at Report-in Deadline**

- Meet Director to Inform Murchison Police of the situation
- Ask other available pilots if missing pilot was seen landing safely
- Ascertain last known position / sighting / radio call of missing pilot.
- Call missing pilot on radio and cell phone.
- Check the missing pilot's accommodation.
- Send vehicle(s) on search along the probable flight path (with radios and cell phones).
- Contact all other pilots about the last sighting of the missing pilot.

The above actions will be, where possible, initiated within 30 minutes of a pilot missing the Check-in Deadline.

**If the above actions are unsuccessful then the Meet Director is to inform the local police station and formal Search & Rescue procedures will be initiated. Be Aware that Police directed Search & Rescue Teams are unlikely to begin their search for you until first light the next day. The police will need to know the following information:**

- Full name of missing pilot.
- Last known position.
- Predicted flight path (give police a map with the daily task drawn on it).
- Glider description (type and colour).
- Clothing worn by pilot.
- Emergency equipment carried (food / water / radio / cell phone)...
- Search areas already covered / actions already taken.
- Next of kin details

**Note:** Pilots may be called upon to assist in providing relevant information and physically searching for a missing pilot. Please help us in the event that this happens.

### **Other Contact Numbers**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Search & Rescue	Murchison Search and Rescue	03 523 9946	Duty Officer
Police	Murchison Police	(03) 523 1170	Duty Officer
St John's Ambulance	Murchison	<b>111</b>	Duty Officer
Fire Station	Murchison	<b>111 or</b> 503 523-9253	Duty Officer
St John's Ambulance	Nelson	<b>111</b>	Duty Officer
For all the above		<b>111</b>	

# **FIRE SAFETY PLAN**

## **2023 Hang Gliding Nationals – Mt Murchison**

### **General**

The following fire safety plan will be implemented for the Hang Gliding Nationals.

### **Briefings & Disclosure**

Effective communication of this Fire Safety Plan to all persons attending the Hang Gliding Nationals is critical to ensuring there are no fire related incidents prior to and during the competition. Accordingly, this Plan will be emailed to all pilots prior to the competition, it will be physically handed to each pilot as part of the pre competition registration process, and it will be read out as part of the mandatory induction and briefing process that all pilots and attendees are required to attend prior to the competition starting. Further to this, Fire Specific points and updates will occur as part of the daily pilot briefings.

### **Rules**

**Entry is subject to restrictions relating to fire weather conditions as described in the permit and associated terms and conditions.**

1. A Vehicle permit is required for sites in Forestry areas - this must be obtained from the event organisers
2. No fires or flames of any type.
3. No smoking.
4. **Only enter permitted forestry areas if the weather conditions are not in RED or if approval has been obtained for weather conditions in code ORANGE.**
5. 0.9kg fire extinguisher plus shovel in each vehicle or do not enter.
6. Each vehicle to carry a minimum of 5 Litres of water.
7. A larger extinguishing device is to be present on launch.
8. Spark arresters on all vehicles are mandatory.
9. No speeding up or down the mountain. Every effort should be made not to overheat vehicle engines and/or break systems.
10. No parking or stopping over long dry grass areas.
11. No driving on fields where pilots have landed without permission of land owner

### **In the Event of FIRE**

1. Ensure your own safety and the safety of others in the area.
2. **MANDATORY REQUIREMENT - Dial 111 in every situation EVEN if you are able to put the fire out.** OR radio the Director to dial 111 and stay on the line to provide information. (From Forestry – there is no problem if the volunteer fire fighters turn up and have nothing to do).
3. If safe to do so use fire equipment and attempt to extinguish the fire.
4. If not safe, or no longer safe to extinguish the fire, evacuate to an area of safety:

- a. **For Sherry River**; either retreat back down normal access road and assemble in grass paddocks at entrance to Forestry; or if unable to retreat move to the large skid site where launch is away from flammable materials and stay in vehicles . Exact areas to be confirmed and pointed out to all persons prior to driving up to launch.
  - b. **For Tapawera**; either retreat back down normal access road and assemble in grass paddocks at entrance to Forestry; or if unable to retreat, leave vehicles and move to the grass paddocks to the south of launch/forest. Exact areas to be confirmed and pointed out to all persons prior to driving up to launch.
  - c. **For Inwoods Lookout**; either retreat back down normal access road and assemble in grass paddocks at entrance to Forestry; or if unable to retreat, move to the large skid site where launch is away from flammable materials and stay in vehicles. Exact areas to be confirmed and pointed out to all persons prior to driving up to launch.
  - d. **For Canvas Town**; either retreat back down normal access road and assemble in parking bay at entrance to Forestry; or if unable to retreat, move to the large skid site where launch is away from flammable materials and stay in vehicles. Exact areas to be confirmed and pointed out to all persons prior to driving up to launch.
5. In all cases report your position and status as soon as possible to the Meet Director or other pilots/persons, so all persons can be accounted for.
6. Report any Fire incident to the Competition Organisers, as soon as possible.