

# ***ICAO AFRICA SAR WORKSHOP 2020***

## **International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue (IAMSAR) Manual**

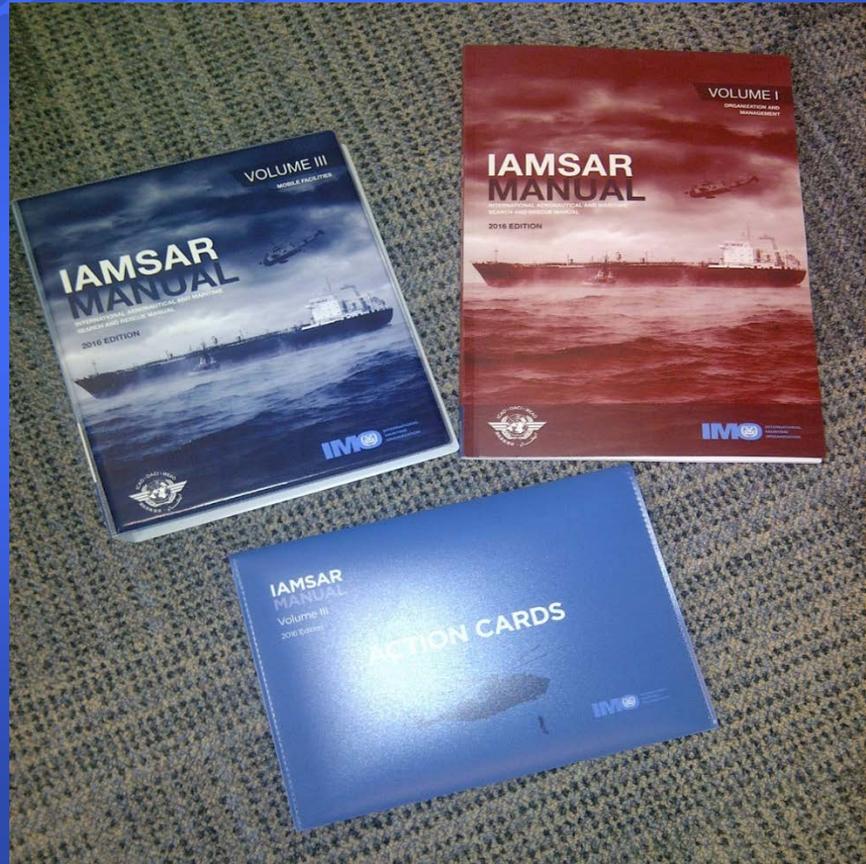
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# International Aeronautical and Maritime Search and Rescue (IAMSAR) Manual

**International harmonization of aeronautical and maritime SAR organization, procedures, equipment and terminology**



# **IAMSAR Manual:**

## **Volume I Organization and Management**

- **SAR system managers, policy makers**

## **Volume II Mission Coordination**

- **Rescue coordination centers**

## **Volume III Mobile Facilities**

- **SAR units, civil aircraft and vessels**

# **IAMSAR Manual – How it can help You**

## **Focus on Volume I Organization and Management:**

### **Legislation (law/decree)**

#### **◆ Chapter 1, Section 1.3 and Appendix A Sample legislation [one page, add or delete parts]**

- Be careful on too many details which could change**
- Avoid words that make a response mandatory (you do not have to fly into a hurricane/typhoon)**

# Volume I Organization and Management

## SAR Agreements (or whatever term is appropriate)

### ◆ Appendix I Sample agreements

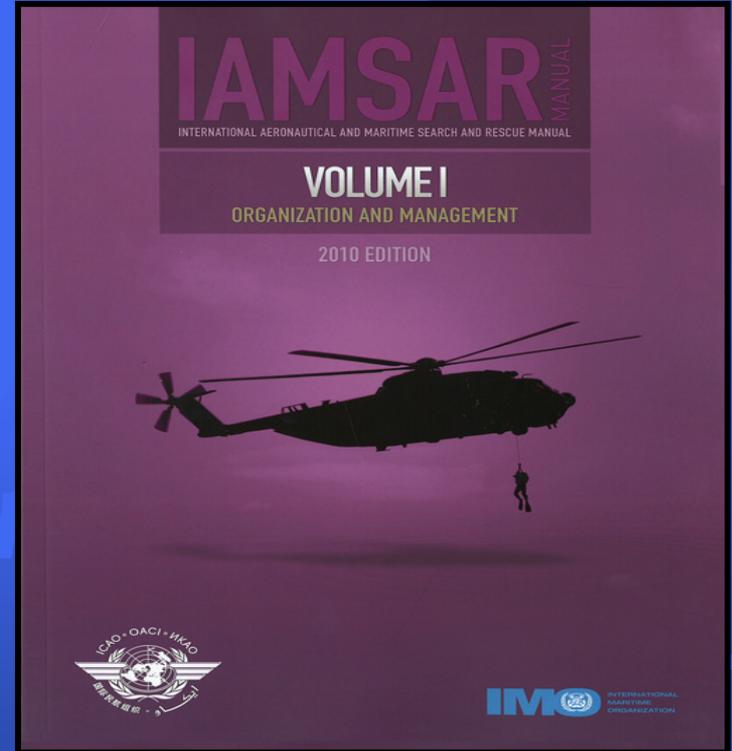
- First page has notes to consider
- “Each section of the sample agreement may be used or adapted as the Parties agree.”
- Letter of Agreement (LoA) versus Agreement in general

# IAMSAR Manual Volume I

## National SAR Committee

IAMSAR Manual Volume I  
Section 6.4 and

Appendix J “Sample national  
SAR committee interagency  
agreement”



# National SAR Committee

## A Strategic Level Whole-of-Government Approach

**-Member Agencies could include:**

- **Defense,**
- **Transportation (Aeronautical, maritime),**
- **Interior, Communications, National Police,**
- **Health, Emergency Management, etc.**

**Who chairs the Committee? Your choice (But equal vote.)**

**-Focused on policy matters, while ongoing operational matters could be handled under a different interagency forum.**

# **Volume I Organization and Management**

## **SAR Exercises**

- ◆ **Chapter 3, Section 3.3 and Appendix O Sample template for a joint search and rescue exercise**
  - **It is better to ‘practice’ before the actual accident**
  - **It is better to do a basic exercise rather than no exercise**
  - **Presentation later in this program**

# Volume I Organization and Management

## SAR Resources

- ◆ **Volume I Appendix C Sources for SAR assistance**
- ◆ **Volume II Appendix G Selection of SAR facilities**
  - **Make use of all available resources –government and private**
  - **Your RCC coordinates the response, it does not have to provide all the response units**

**Aircraft accidents happen on land and at sea.  
The IAMSAR Manual can help you and your  
neighbors to provide an effective, efficient  
response. Time for questions**

