Format 13.1: Authorization Procedure for USAR Team Deployment[[1]](#footnote-1)

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| **TEAM’S NAME** |  |

**Authorization Procedure for Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Team Deployment**

This procedure establishes the levels of authorization for the deployment of the USAR Team of (Name of the institution to which the USAR Team belongs to) …………………………………………..

# The General Officer in charge of the institution, or his/her surrogate, has the authority to deploy of the USAR Team, without prior consultation, to a distance of 150 km and for an operation period of 2 days, except if the team does not require logistics infrastructure, in which case the authorization can be extended to 10 days. This does not exclude the necessary information for (competent body or authority)

# For longer distances and considering all logistics infrastructure for a period of more than 2 days, it must request authorization from the authorities established for this purpose.

# In all cases the relevant Order of the Day shall be issued, indicating the full name and identification number of all the members that are being deployed for the purpose of the benefits granted by law. In case of other organizations, they must act in accordance with the provisions of their insurance contracts.

# The Urban Search and Rescue Team must inform its responsible authority about the time required to be in position to assist the institution in charge of the emergency.

# This procedure is effective as of …..………………………… of 20…...

**The times and distances are suggested, and are adapted/linked according to the Team's organization.**

**Authorization Procedure for Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Team Deployment**

On (date)........................................the undersigning institution............................. established that on the Honorary Board meeting dated....................... it agreed on the procedure to authorized the deployment of the USAR Team “…………(name)…………………”, in order to provide the requested assistance fast enough to achieve the Urban Search and Rescue goals properly.

Such a procedure is established as an Agreement of this Honorary Board and empowers the Commander to incorporate it to the service, in order to comply with the provisions of the National USAR Operations System operating under the rules of INSARAG, an organization developed by the United Nations for Disaster Relief.

Attached is the “Authorization Procedure for Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Team Deployment”, presented to this Honorary Board as approved.

This certificate is to be presented to (competent authority)

Names, organizations and positions of the highest authorities of each organization signing.

(Place of Origin and Date), .....................................................

1. Source: Chile’s National Fire Academy, Accreditation Process [↑](#footnote-ref-1)