

**ITALIAN RED CROSS**  
**REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF TRENTO**

**PERGINE VALSUGANA GROUP**



**Organized**  
**Rescue**  
**Competition**



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## **OBJECTIVES**

The Pergine Branch of the Italian Red Cross organizes a competition for Relief Red Cross volunteers, united by the same symbol and the same enthusiasm. The competition is meant to provide an opportunity for comparing different realities, exchanging of experiences, promoting of team spirit, mutual understanding and sharing.

## **GOALS**

The Competition of Organized Relief aims to evaluate the ability of Rescue Volunteers (hereinafter referred as RV) in the following functions:

- Evaluate the condition of people in need of medical aid :
- Provide care in an appropriate manner using equipments, resources and materials available
- Managing relief in safety
- Operate in a coordinated manner with the system for Emergency Medical Services

Each participating team is required to take vision and scrupulously respect and ensure respect of the following

## **REGULATIONS**

Items:

1. TEAMS
2. COMPETITION
3. EVALUATION OF TESTS AND CHALLENGES
4. COMPANIONS

### **1 TEAMS**

- 1.1. Participation to the competition is open to Groups of RV of the Province of Trento and from other Italian and European regions.

1.2. Each Group may enter the competition a Team of 4 RV qualified in organized rescue. Doctors, nurses, students at the faculties of medicine or nursing, Red Cross instructors, monitors or employees are not allowed to participate.

The names of the members of the Team must be communicated to the organization using the registration form and confirmed before the start of the competition to the Secretariat. The Team members will also have to compulsorily sign a privacy statement and grant the rights to take the pictures and / or video.

The Inspector of the group to which the Team belong is the guarantor of the correctness of the composition of the Team; any irregularities may be liable for the expulsion of the Team from the competition.

The team will consist of:

- A Team Leader - the volunteer identified for this role will hold the role during all tests;
- Driver with Red Cross license - the participants can take turns driving with the exclusion of the Team Leader.
- Two rescuers - The simulation of rescue involves the participation of a team of 3 members for each simulation. Team Leader and the Driver have to be part of the Team. The two rescuers may take turns in and be part of the team in different situations, the RV "reserve" will remain alien to the simulation will not take any part in it.

1.3. Competitors must wear the working uniform and personal protective equipment (as per Italian Decree 81/2008). They are required to maintain a behaviour that is proper and worthy of the Association to which they belong

1.4. The Teams will participate with its own rescue vehicle - ambulance type "A" which must be covered by insurance RCA. For teams from abroad the ambulance will be provided by the Organization.

The Organization is not liable for any damage to vehicles or the direct damage that vehicles may cause to third parties.

1.5. It is allowed the presence of supporter (photographer) who must be properly registered, with a special pass and must always follow its team.

## **2. COMPETITION**

2.1. The competition is divided into 12 stations of which, 10 will be actual test stations and 2 are rest stations, they will be numbered consecutively according to a predetermined path, a sign will indicate their number.

Each "test station" provides a simulation of an event with one or more persons to be assisted and any extras.

Each team will be assigned a competition's number and it will be indicated at the departure station.

2.2. Each team will be accompanied by Tutor and, where necessary, by an interpreter. They will also be provided with a topographical map of the area, a table with times of tests and telephone numbers of the organisers.

The route of the Ambulances, compulsory for all drivers, will be marked with appropriate directions and / or regulated by municipal police forces.

2.3. Each test will follow the following sequence:

- The rescue team will reach the waiting area in the proximity of station of the test indicated by the Tutor;

- The Tutor will give the team an envelope with the instructions of the test to be carried out;
- The Team will examine the content and evaluate the proposed case;
- At the signal from the radio centre, the Team will have to reach the venue of the simulation;
- The Master will give the necessary information and the competition will begin;
- The test will be carried out;
- To signal the end of the competition, the Team must stop every manoeuvre and make themselves available to the Master and Judges;
- At the end of the debriefing, the Team will continue for the next waiting area.

2.4. The time available to the team for each individual test, is as follows:

- 20 minutes for the test including an explanation of the Master;
- 10 minutes debriefing and considerations of the Master and Judges
- 15 minutes to reorder the equipments and vehicle and move to the next waiting area.

The team can use all the allotted time. At the end of the 20 minutes test, the activities will be stopped and evaluated for the performances carried up to that point.

2.5. Each group participant will be able to use the materials and equipments provided in check-lists.

The manoeuvres performed with material not provided will not be considered valid. The presence of material not listed by this Regulation is permitted, provided that is not used.

2.6. During the course of the competition, it is forbidden to use sirens or flashing lights and the radio equipment of the emergency vehicle and the portable ones will have to be used only as recommended by the organization.

2.7. During the tests communications must be made directly to the Master that will act as the Operations Centre. Where necessary, the interpreter will translate the communication between the Team Leader and Master.

2.8. In some practical tests rescue might be expected to load injured person/s on the rescue vehicle, in order to assess:

- The correct choice of the equipments;
- The correct priority for evacuation.

### **3. EVALUATION OF TESTS AND CHALLENGES**

3.1. The Team is judged according to the rescue technique used, priorities assigned to different situations, the organization of work, the reports made, the ability to coordinate individual and group, the interpersonal skills and respect for the time allocated for each test.

3.2. In each station there will be a Bench Hearing which consists of a Master and one or more Judges, based on different scenarios.

The Master will monitor compliance with the time of the competition and will be a reference point for radio communications.

The actions of each component and the Team as a whole will be evaluated by the Bench Hearing on the basis of evaluation grids, for each member.

The individual evaluations will be compiled in an overall assessment sheet. The final score for each test will be the result of the effectiveness of manoeuvres performed,

of any errors in terms of the safety management, and managerial and psychological approach to the event.

3.3. Any dispute over the results of the test carried out must be done on the forms available to the Master and delivered to the Master for the next station.

For the last station of the competition, the form must be delivered to the Master of the station.

3.4. Appeals not accepted will constitute penalties for the team that introduced them equal to 50% of the score of the contested test.

3.5. At the end of the competition the scores of each test will be added up. The sum of the individual scores will produce the final standings.

#### **4. COMPANIONS**

4.1. Each team is assigned a Tutor - which will monitor the operations for the entire day and will have the following tasks:

- accompany the team at the various stations of the competition;
- enforce the timetable;
- deliver to the Team the envelopes with the directions of the tests;
- check that no member of the Team uses a mobile phone;
- make sure that the Team does not come into contact with other people outside the competition itself.

4.2. The foreign teams will be accompanied by an interpreter that will assist them in all tests.

4.3. Any persons accompanying the teams will have to travel by their own means, in compliance with the road code, and will be able to attend the tests without any

contact with the contestants, otherwise the Team will be disqualified from the competition.

4.4. During the competitions communication of any sort between team members and their supporters are not allowed.

Failure to comply with these provisions will be punished, at the discretion of the relevant Judges, up to 50% of the total score.

4.5. Teams' supporters please be reminded that:

- The competition takes place on a city, includes restricted traffic areas, and is spread over several kilometres (you can not follow on foot);
- No one should help or communicate with members of the Team or the Team will be disqualified from the competition;
- For any urgent communication to the members of the Team you may contact directly the relevant Master;
- Must have your own transportation.