

2.04 PEP AIR SERVICE

2.04.1 RELATED DOCUMENTS

- [2.04 PEP Air Service Policy](#)
- [PEP Air Policy Manual](#)

2.04.2 PROCEDURES

- (1) Air Searches: The Joint Rescue Coordination Centre (JRCC) initiates air searches for downed aircraft. All expenses are borne by the Canadian Armed Forces. They will task PEP Air for assistance through the ECC.
- (2) Land Searches:
 - a. PEP Air will assist authorized searches and must be accessed through the ECC.
 - b. The ECC will pass the tasking to the PEP Air Zone Commander who will assign aircraft and crew as required.
 - c. The ECC will notify the EMBC Regional Duty Manager (RDM).
 - d. For authorized PEP Air flying activities in support of a ground search and rescue, EMBC will reimburse expenses. Aircraft rates will be current PEP Air/CASARA/DND rates. Out of pocket expenses will be at authorized EMBC rates.
- (3) Operational Support:
 - a. PEP Air will assist the program with reconnaissance flights, ferrying, or limited equipment and personnel movement.
 - b. The ECC will pass the tasking to the Zone Commander who will assign aircraft and crew as required.
 - c. The ECC will notify the EMBC RDM.
 - d. For authorized PEP Air operational support flying activities, EMBC will reimburse expenses. Aircraft rates will be current PEP Air/CASARA/DND rates. Out-of-pocket expenses will be at authorized EMBC rates.

(4) PEP Air has volunteers in the following leadership and support roles:

- a. Safety Officer – both Provincial and zone.
- b. Training Officer – both Provincial and zone.
- c. Administration – both Provincial and zone.
- d. Area Air Deputy.
- e. Deputy Zone Commander.
- f. Zone Commander.
- g. Executive Members & Assistant – Provincial.
- h. Deputy Director – Provincial.
- i. Director General – Provincial.

(5) Unavailability of PEP Aircraft:

- a. In the event that PEP Air is tasked to fly in support of EMBC operations and a PEP Air aircraft is not available, the pilot will contact and inform the ECC and request an Air Service Emergency (ASE) number, as approved by the EMBC RDM.
- b. Upon receiving authorization for an ASE, the Zone Commander will rent the aircraft and fly the tasking.

(6) Training: All air SAR training for PEP Air is paid by CASARA. Specific procedures are set out in the PEP Air Provincial Policy Manual.

(7) Funding: EMBC may provide additional funding for administration or training.