

Text Newsletter August 2011 EN

MEM - Mountain Emergency Medicine Summer

From 17th to 25th September we run our MEM Summer course 2011. This course includes the canyoneering module as well. For this course we grant a currency discount this time. See further details below.

AHEMS-AFCEST

From 24th to 29th October 2011 we run another AHEMS course. It will be held as a compact 6 days course. AFCEST is integrated into this course. For this course we grant a currency discount as well. See further details below.

AHEMS: Alpine Helicopter Emergency Medical Services
AFCEST: Alpine Flight Crew Emergency and Survival Training

Currency discount for courses and packages in 2011

Global financial crisis has led to financial restrictions for many people. Also potential participants of our courses had to check their situation and in some cases couldn't afford to spend money on their mountain rescue school. Due to the problematic global financial situation we will grant a 10 % currency discount for all those who book our courses in 2011. The rebate is also valid if you book a package (see PDF "Dates and Fees" on our website). But the first course has to start in 2011 (AHEMS-AFCEST, MEM Summer & Canyoneering) to benefit of the discount offer.

Payment is different if you decide to execute the currency discount. Do not use the buttons for standard rates on our website but go to www.paypal.com and choose your country and language. Look for the "**send money**" function (see PDF "Information on Payment" on our website). You just have to use our e-mail address info@alpinerescuecenter.ch.

The discounted prices are as follows:

MEM - Mountain Emergency Medicine Summer incl. module Canyoneering	CHF 4990	CHF 4491
Module Canyoneering only	CHF 1290	CHF 1161
AHEMS-AFCEST - Alpine Helicopter Emergency Medical Services- Alpine Flight Crew Emergency and Survival Training	CHF 3690	CHF 3321

Packages (discount from standard rate):

MEM Summer, Winter, Canyoneering complete	CHF 8180	CHF 7362
MEM Summer, Winter, Canyoneering complete plus AHEMS-AFCEST	CHF 11'870	CHF 10'683



by Air Zermatt

Use the discounted amounts as shown above for your booking. In the payment message mention your name, mobile phone number, email-address and the course or package you want to book.

Early information on courses 2012

Hereby we publish next year's course dates:

MEM Winter	25 th - 29 th April 2012
MEM Summer & Canyoneering	15 th - 23 rd September 2012
of which Canyoneering is	19 th - 22 nd September 2012
AHEMS-AFCEST	5 th - 10 th June 2012

Course language English

Meanwhile we have changed all our internationally certified courses to English language only due to being the language of aviation anyway. Knowledge of English basic terms is indispensable in mountain rescue from that point of view, even more in the field of HEMS, where the HCM (HEMS Crew Member) supports the pilot in communication, navigation etc. Also we pay attention to the fact that this is an internationally certified course. If needed we can in addition communicate in other languages as well (German, Italian, Spanish, French).

Outlook on refresher courses MEM

The refresher courses for advanced training for graduates in "Mountain Emergency Medicine" as envisioned by ICAR, ISMM and UIAA are in preparation. We want to offer a particularly interesting practice-oriented activity. Refreshers are recommended by the mentioned societies every 5 years.

As there are diploma holders since 2008 already, we will offer those courses in 2013 at the latest. We would like you to give us your comments and proposals about places, issues, duration etc. via email on info@alpinerescuecenter.ch please.

So far we plan to offer extended weekends or even full weeks (with supporting programme) all inclusive and with accompanying person's and family options, e.g. Canyoning week Corsica or Sierra de Guara, via ferrata weekend in the Dolomites, ski touring weekend etc, with visits of the regional mountain rescue organizations or even common training, of course with medical and technical aspects of mountain rescue and as always with a lot of practice. We are looking forward on your inputs.

International certification

The course "MEM - Mountain Emergency Medicine" is certified by ICAR, UIAA and ISMM and represents the "Specialty Course Mountain Emergency Medicine". It covers the requested curricula of „Main Course“ and „Add-on Module Air Rescue“. Our course is the most complete one that provides profound knowledge and training on all important topics of mountain rescue by intense experience. We do not just offer a short instruction but let you experience everything in practice (winter, summer, air rescue and canyoneering). For example only with us you will get familiar with all the different techniques of air rescue (hoist, long line, safety, technical etc.). This is why our programme is not as cheap as other courses that only spend very little money on flight time. Also our own staff has to go through these courses. Less than this is not sufficient for the risky activity of mountain rescue in our opinion. Safety cannot be granted without experience, efforts and costs. Please compare!

ICAR: International Commission for Alpine Rescue
UIAA: International Mountaineering Federation
ISMM: International Society for Mountain Medicine

Charge of our courses for medical advanced training

Almost all of our courses are accredited from the Swiss Society for Emergency and Rescue Medicine (SGNOR). Emergency physicians can let these courses take into account accordingly with the national physician chambers for their advanced training obligation.

Charge of our courses for paramedic advanced training

Upon completion of our courses paramedics receive certificates over completed advanced training hours to charge on their vocational advanced training obligation.

IAFP

Our courses are accredited by the International Association of Flight Paramedics and can be taken into account on the IAFP advanced training obligation.

IAFP: International Association of Flight Paramedics

If you have any questions please write on info@alpinerescuecenter.ch.

We are looking forward to seeing you at our courses
Your ARC Team