



# STATE SEARCH AND RESCUE PROGRAM



## Program Directive 2023-001

**TO:** County Search and Rescue Coordinators  
NJESF 9 Supporting Agencies

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**SUBJECT:** Program Directive 2023-001 - Distribution of locative technology to county-based programs.

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As announced at the April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Search and Rescue Coordination Working Group Meeting, the State Search and Rescue (SAR) Program has been awarded funding to purchase locative technology for “at risk” individuals with dementia or autism who, due to their condition, wander from safe environments. The locative technology purchased through this initiative will be provided by the State SAR Program to county-based Project Lifesaver programs upon request based on need and availability.

To request locative technology for your agency, a formal email referencing this Program Directive must be sent to the Search and Rescue Unit at [insar@njsp.gov](mailto:insar@njsp.gov) from your Agency Project Lifesaver Program Coordinator requesting State SAR Program devices. In doing so, you agree to all terms listed below in this directive.

- 1- The Agency Program Coordinator must provide a copy of any documentation used to manage their program. The documentation must include a user registration form and waiver/release of liability.
- 2- The waiver/release of liability must list the New Jersey State Police and the New Jersey Office of Emergency Management as additional indemnified.
- 3- All requested State SAR Program devices will be turned over and receipted to the Agency Program Coordinator, who will be responsible for managing and maintaining all issued devices.
- 4- The Agency Program Coordinator must maintain an inventory of all devices issued by the State SAR Program.

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- 5- Any use of or activation of a locative device (State SAR Program or otherwise) must be reported to the State SAR Program as directed by Directive NJOEM-8.
  - 6- Notifications during an active search of any type must be made as directed by Directive NJOEM-8.
  - 7- The State SAR Program may conduct audits of Agency Program inventory, documentation, training currency, and reporting.

Any questions related to this PD should be directed to the State Police Search and Rescue Unit at: [insar@njsp.gov](mailto:insar@njsp.gov).

This Program Directive is effective immediately.

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