Recommendation REC L 0005 of the Commission Avalanche Rescue of October 14, 2006

Regarding optimal information for users about search strip width (or the effective/useful range) of transceivers

The Commission for Avalanche Rescue of the International Commission for Alpine Rescue has adopted the following recommendation:

ICAR-CISA-IKAR recommends that manufacturers mention only the search strip width (or the effective/useful range which is the half of the search strip width) in all communication for users (including marketing materials, owners manual), every time a range is mentioned.

The maximum range might be mentioned only in the technical specifications using the term “maximum range”.

On transceivers, exclusively the search strip width (or the effective/useful range) should be mentioned (never the maximum range).

The technical specifications should also specify the method which was used to determine the search strip width.

Agreed upon in Kranjska Gora, Slovenia on October 14, 2006.

The Commission for Avalanche Rescue of ICAR:

The President
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