

Review of: "Solving tensions within Technical Rescue in England and Wales"

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An interesting article trying to solve the problem of poor cooperation between Mountain Rescue organizations and the climbing community that operates in them in England and Wales.

The article should take into account the degree of interest of the listed organizations associating various specialists providing assistance in the mountains to the willingness to communicate in accordance with jointly developed national guidelines. Looking for patterns, one could refer to examples from other mountain countries, if their specificity is similar, or to international associations associating organizations dealing with mountain rescue, eg ICAR.

Technical rescue is a highly specialized field, in which the majority of people are practitioners with many years of experience. In order to expand this group, teaching skills in a group of experts in this field are necessary, because an expert is not always a good teacher (it is a teacher at all). Of course, in addition to didactic skills, a high quality of knowledge is needed. If we take this topic into account, the next one would be to propagate with the help of experts with didactic skills of technical rescue in climbing curricula. This would allow for greater dissemination of technical rescue, and in the future, for educating candidates to be specialists providing assistance in the mountains, both in terms of medical standards and good practice in the field of technical rescue.

Figures and captions under them should be corrected in the article. Figures 2 and 3 are incomprehensible (still in v.2) . The captions should be concise, and the discussion of the figure can be included in the text with an indication to which figure the author refers, e.g. (Fig.2).