

Humanitarian Mine Action Team Medics Course Factsheet



Who is this course for?

This course is designed for anyone who works within the EOD sector, but it especially caters for Medics and First Aiders on demining sites and remote locations. The Medicine in Remote Areas Course (MIRA Extended) has been developed to provide students with the specific skills and knowledge to be able to deal with casualties where there is an increased risk of blast injuries. This could be in the demining sector, explosive ordnance disposal or even terrorism. The course encompasses immediate stabilisation of the injured or acutely ill patient and provides the underpinning knowledge and skills required to provide prolonged field care in remote and challenging environments if necessary. The course also promotes for knowledge to be passed on to the rest of your team as part of the self-help phase of medical evacuation. Every team member should have at least a basic understanding of first aid even if it is not his job role specifically as he may still be asked to assist if the medical team is dealing with other casualties or indeed incapacitated themselves.



Is this course recognized globally?

The MIRA courses endorsed and certified by the Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care of the Royal College of Surgeons (Edinburgh), and is specifically designed for those providing medical care in austere and hostile environments including medical support for humanitarian demining operations, disaster relief and humanitarian organisations, mountain rescue, and search and rescue personnel, the oil/gas industry, the media industry, expeditionary and exploration personnel.



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Where is MAT Kosovo located?

MAT Kosovo is situated in Peja in the west of Kosovo at the base of the Rugova Valley surrounded by picturesque mountainous views. Peja is the third largest city of Kosovo with a populace of some 100,000. Only a few minutes' walk sees you in the city Centre, with modern shops, super markets, chemists and many restaurants; it is the perfect place to spend your down time and relax. The locals are friendly and hospitable with Peja boasting a rich cultural and historical heritage, in addition to the breathtaking surroundings.



Humanitarian Mine Action Team Medics Course Outcomes:

On successful completion, students will receive the Medicine in Remote Areas (MIRA) Certificate, endorsed by the Faculty of Pre-Hospital Care, Royal College of Surgeons (Edinburgh), which is valid for three years.

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Included in the Core Syllabus:



IMAT Kosovo and Iqarus have jointly established this course to bring both the medical and demining professionals together to give students the best possible learning experience. Iqarus has been at the cutting-edge of clinical learning for complex and demanding operating environments for years having been formerly known as Ex Med.

We leverage our exceptional training facilities, personnel, on- and offline training methodologies and intellectual content to enable teams and individuals to operate confidently in a variety of situations. Our training and operational team are drawn from the medical, military, security and energy sector communities, giving us a unique integrated capability and skill mix. Our training personnel maintain clinical and operational currency by providing live medical support to clients' international projects as well as delivering training, internationally and in multiple languages. Created by Iqarus in 2004, the MIRA (Medicine in Remote Areas) course provides participants, with or without experience, in pre-hospital care with the added skills and knowledge to be able to deal with the casualties in a remote environment. The course structure is focused on providing the student with the fundamental and achievable practical skills and critical analysis required to manage a casualty throughout the entire pathway of pre-hospital care where a prolonged delay in evacuation to definitive care is anticipated. This is especially pertinent to the demining industry where often delays in evacuation are expected due to the safety considerations for the rest of the team.

The syllabus includes the following:

1. Management of blunt trauma, blast and penetrating injuries, road traffic collisions, ballistics and violent assaults.
2. Oxygen therapy.
3. Intermediate and advanced airway management, including performing and assisting surgical airway procedures as appropriate to the students' scope of practice.
4. Life-threatening chest injuries and their management including performing and supporting needle decompression procedures as appropriate to the students' scope of practice.
5. Circulatory system and haemorrhage control.
6. Shock and fluid replacement (I.V & I.O).
7. Head injury recognition and management.
8. Pharmacology appropriate to the trainee's scope of practice.
9. Medical emergencies.
10. Musculoskeletal injuries, fractures and dislocations.
11. Burns and scalds, environmental injuries and illnesses.
12. Environmental injuries and illness.
13. Flora and fauna injuries and tropical diseases.
14. Tropical Diseases
15. Remote area and prolonged patient care.
16. Wound lavage, wound care and wound closure techniques appropriate to the students' scope of practice.
17. Emergency medical treatment in the de-mining lane.
18. Mass casualty and major Incident management, including scene management, triage, treatment and evacuation.
19. The physics of blast and the affects it has on the body.
20. Self-help encompassing passing on relevant medical knowledge to the rest of the team in order to work together for the best outcomes for the casualties.

A three-day refresher and clinical update course are offered for those with an in-date MIRA certificate.





Courses offered at MAT Kosovo include:

- Field Operator IMAS EOD Levels 1 and 2 Course. No pre-requisites for attendance.
- IMAS EOD Level 3 Course. Must hold an IMAS EOD Level 2 certificate to attend.
- IMAS EOD Level 3+ Course. Must have been employed at IMAS EOD Level 3 prior to application and each application is individually assessed prior to acceptance on the course.
- IMAS EOD Level 3+ Maritime Course. Must hold an IMAS EOD Level 3 certificate to attend.
- Explosive Remnants of War (ERW) Risk Management course. Includes Introductory, Intermediate and Advanced - no pre-requisites for attendance.
- Combined IMAS IEDD Level 1 (Search) and Level 2 (Assistant Operator) Course. Must be IMAS EOD Level 3 qualified or hold equivalent, recognised military or law enforcement qualifications.
- IMAS IEDD Level 3 (Operator) Course. Must be IMAS IEDD Level 2 and IMAS EOD Level 3 qualified or hold equivalent, recognised military or law enforcement qualifications.
- Ammunition & PSSM Course (Introductory). Must be IMAS EOD Level 2.
- IMAS Conversion Course (IMAS-CC) - Humanitarian Mine Action (HMA). (1) Must have been employed within Mine Action and EOD and be able to demonstrate prior experience sufficient to be admitted on the course. (2) Must be former Military EOD and be able to demonstrate and produce prior certification.
- Mine Risk Education/Community Liaison/Train The Trainer Course. No pre-requisites for attendance.
- Quality Management Course. Must hold an IMAS Level 3 certificate to attend.
- HMA Team Medics Course. No pre-requisites for attendance.
- Unmanned Aerial Systems/Vehicle (UAS/V) Course (CAA Licensed). No pre-requisites for attendance.
- Media, NGO & Hostile Environment Operators IED, ERW, and Landmine Awareness Course - Online, real-time. No pre-requisites for attendance.
- Bespoke courses for clients with specific training needs.



For further information on our school and courses, visit our website at www.pcm-erw.com



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Current knowledge and trends based training with team members currently instructing in conflict areas.

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Theoretical and practical learning with live demolitions on a variety of live munitions.

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First class facilities and training aids.

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A chance to see new and emerging technologies in HMA.

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Our training course fees are fully inclusive, including all airport transfers, food and accommodation.

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