ASSOCIATION FOR THE SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT OF UNITY „CROATIA HELPS”

MINE RISK EDUCATION

Hrvatska pomaze

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The City of Zagreb has initiated, among others, the establishment of the Association for the support and encouragement of unity „Croatia helps”. The founders are the cities of Zagreb, Dubrovnik and Osijek.

The association was founded in order to promote common interests and cooperation between cities in Croatia, especially cooperation in the humanitarian and voluntary activities as well as social programs of their communities and international development cooperation.

The Association „Croatia helps”, among other activities, organizes and provides assistance in mine action in Croatia.
MINE ACTION

- Organization and conducting of Mine Risk Education to various target groups
- Raising funds for financing demining projects in the Republic of Croatia
MINE ACTION

EDUCATION OF EDUCATORS:

- Members of the Association of Special Police Unit "OSA" are qualified educators on mine danger.

- These are retired members of Special Police Units which significantly contribute to raising the awareness of mine danger due to their authority and experience. They are available at any time and proud of doing useful educational tasks.

- The association „Croatia helps“, in cooperation with the Croatian Mine Action Center (CROMAC) and the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Croatia, has organized an education of educators (OSA).
MINE ACTION

BASIC EDUCATION TOPICS:

- to inform about basic principles of mine action
- to inform about mine danger
- to inform about basic characteristics of mines and UXO
- to inform about Mine Suspected Area (MSA)
- to inform about risky and proper behaviour and use of CROMAC MIS portal
- to inform education attendees about mine incidents involving members of special police and other groups of civilians
- to provide education on communication methods and skills so that they could successfully present the mine action–related knowledge they acquired
MINE ACTION

EDUCATION PROGRAM

- **T–1** Program of introduction to mine danger – previous experiences
- **T–2** Basic characteristics of mines and UXO
- **T–3** Mine Action in the Republic of Croatia
  - basic features of Mine Suspected Area (MSA)
  - risky and proper behaviour inside Mine Suspected Area (MSA)
  - use of CROMAC MIS portal
  - mine victims in the Republic of Croatia
- **T–4** Workshop: Basics of communication skills in teaching process
MINE RISK EDUCATIONS – FOR CHILDREN FROM GUNJA:

- In cooperation with the Ministry of Interior, there was an educational training for children held as part of their holidays. The topic of the training was protection against mines and UXO since the area mentioned was the scene of war operations during the Homeland War.

- The children were informed about danger threatening from residual mines, UXO and firearms i.e. physical contact with unfamiliar objects aimed at prevention of casualties.
MINE RISK EDUCATIONS – FOR CHILDREN FROM SREBRENICA:

- Upon request of the Red Cross Zagreb, in cooperation with the Ministry of Interior and CROMAC, the Association has organized educational training on protection from residual mines, UXO and firearms”.

- The trainings mentioned are held for school children. The children were informed about danger threatening from residual mines, UXO and firearms i.e. physical contact with unfamiliar objects aimed at prevention of casualties.
MINE RISK EDUCATIONS – FOR CHILDREN FROM UKRAINE:

- Education about mine danger was held by the Head of Anti-explosion Division of Primorje-Gorski Kotar Police Department
MINE ACTION

Education of fire fighters

- Fire fighters are one of the targeted groups threatened by mine danger during fire fighting near minefields or if the fire occurs inside the minefield.
- They are educated through the same training program as hunters. It is a specific target group that operates in specific circumstances when mines are in the midst of the fire or in the vicinity.
- Mines placed inside the area which has been the scene of a fire are unpredictable and feature-dependent.
EDUCATIONS – ORGANIZERS AND INSTRUCTORS

- Association for the support and encouragement of unity „CROATIA HELPS”
- Ministry of Croatian War Veterans
- Police Academy, Ministry of Interior
- Croatian Mine Action Centre (CROMAC)
- Croatian Hunting Federation (CHF)
- Association of Special Police Unit "OSA"
- State Office for Croats Abroad
- Private colleges and universities
CHILDREN FROM IRAQ