

RescueDogs – The SearchDog App

Press Kit



RescueDogs – The SearchDog App is for everyone: Man-trailing, Airscent Search Dogs, Disaster Search Dogs, Avalanche Search Dogs and Cadaver Search Dogs!

Technology for Lifesavers: RescueDogs – The SearchDog App

RescueDogs – The SearchDog App revolutionizes the world of search and rescue dog teams. Designed specifically for the needs of operational and training units, it enhances coordination, communication, and documentation through a centralized digital platform.

Search and rescue dogs play a crucial role in saving lives. RescueDogs – The SearchDog App provides a digital tool that improves communication and coordination between dog teams while delivering essential real-time data. Developed in close collaboration with experienced handlers and experts in search and rescue operations around the world, the app is designed to meet the highest operational standards.

RescueDogs – The SearchDog App was created by two passionate dog handlers committed to search and rescue. Our dedication has shaped this app into a professional and supportive tool not only for operational use but also for training. Our vision is to support and advance search dog work worldwide.

We invite you to learn more about the app's wide range of features and discover how it supports your search and rescue efforts.



Sincerely,

The RescueDogs Team



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1. Why RescueDogs – The SearchDog App?

Search and rescue dogs are invaluable heroes during emergencies. Yet coordinating operations, training teams, and documenting outcomes can be challenging. This is where RescueDogs – The Search Dog App comes in: a digital tool that enhances efficiency, supports handlers, and takes operational work to the next level – compatible with iOS and Android.

The app offers an innovative platform to plan training sessions, coordinate operations, and analyze data in real time.

RescueDogs – The SearchDog App is designed for everyone involved in rescue dog work and canine sport. From handlers to operations leaders and support teams, this app offers customized features and suits all organizations and team sizes.

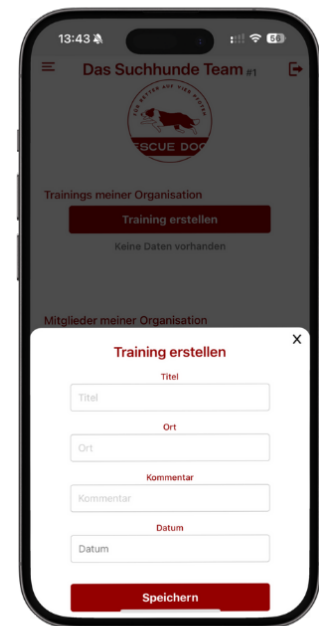
Supporting You in Training and Operations!

- **Efficient marking of search areas**
- **Tagging of important points and missing persons**
- **Tracking the paths** of dogs and handlers
- **Management of multiple dogs** with their specific search types
- **Organization management:** Share dogs, routes, search areas, training units, operations, and certification details
- **Comfort Index:** Search suitability recommendation based on a traffic light display
- **Automatic weather logging during searches**
- **Live tracking** - including Dog GPS Trackers
- **Assigning recordings to specific dogs**, including shared dogs within the organization
- **Comment and rate training sessions** directly within the recording
- **Integration of external GPS tracker data:** Import recordings from external GPS trackers directly for the corresponding search
- **Direct live integration of GPS trackers:** track and record existing trackers live in the app



Efficient Training Planning!

- **In-app training scheduling** with RSVP functionality
- **Assign members as trainers**
- **Store key training details** like individual goals
- **Plan runner trails** using the Track Planner in the app or web version
- **Predefine search areas** with the Area Planner for better preparation
- **Share planned search areas and trails** within the organization

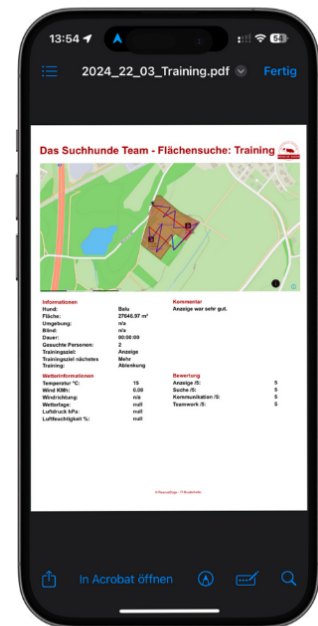


Also Supports You During Operations!

- **Full operational coordination from app or web** – across organizational boundaries
- **Alert responders** regardless of affiliation
- **Advanced alerting:** Indicate use of special rights, direct travel, and include initial operation details
- **See team member responses** at a glance
- **Modular operations dashboard**
- **Missing Person Briefing Sheet**
- **Easy team assignment to search zones**
- **Live tracking of all teams** – including Dog GPS Trackers
- **Annotation tools:** Mark points like command post, find location, or critical zones
- **Import GPX data from trackers or drones**
- **Real-time documentation during operations** (e.g., team arrivals, building entries)
- **Quick export of full operation reports as PDF**

Tailored Maps for Every Need!

- **Use detailed maps**, such as the custom Mantrailing map or topographic maps with contour lines
- **Import/export GPX files** for trails and search areas
- **Export search logs as PDFs**
- **Export training summaries per dog as CSV** to meet local documentation requirements



RescueDogs – The SearchDog App: The All-in-One Package!

- **Folder system** for structured organization
- **Offline map access**
- **Offline training mode** with cache-based logging
- **Language options:** English, German, Spanish, Italian, French, Romanian, Polish, Arabic, Swedish, Norwegian (Bokmål)
- **Cross-platform & intuitive:** Easy to use on iOS and Android

Discover the full potential of RescueDogs – The SearchDog App and enhance your training and operational readiness with a modern, comprehensive tool.

2. Functions for All Search Types

The following features are available for all types of searches. You can switch between search types via the navigation menu at the bottom of the screen. Each search type includes a menu in the upper left corner where you can start and plan searches, activate live tracking, view recorded data, access offline maps, manage your profile, view the organization, adjust settings, and access help and contact information.

RescueDogs – The Search Dog App is the perfect solution to make training as effective as possible!

Location Display

During a search recording, your entire traveled path is displayed. You can always view your current location in the top bar via coordinates and the What3Words address, making it easy to share your location during searches. Prefer to share your live location continuously? No problem – RescueDogs – The Search Dog App allows you to do that too!

Live Location Sharing

Live tracking allows your live location to be shared with team members during any search type. Tap the Live button on the right-hand side of the screen during a search. Then, select the desired organization member to share your location with. That member can open the "Live Tracking" tab via the main menu and view your live location. Live tracking ends automatically when the search ends. The completed session remains visible for participating organization members in the live tracking history list.

Offline Function

You often train in areas without mobile reception? RescueDogs – The Search Dog App has you covered! After starting a recording, your data is cached if reception is lost and uploaded once reconnected. You can also download offline maps in advance. Access offline maps from the top-left main menu, open the Offline Maps tab, and tap the bottom center button

to open the map view. Use the search or scroll to your desired location. A blue box shows the selected area. Adjust the size using the slider at the top. Zooming changes the view only, not the selection. When done, tap Save to download the map.

Map Layout

In every search type, you can switch the map layout anytime. Options include a standard view, a simple satellite view, the custom Mantrailing map with pedestrian path overlays, and a terrain map with contour lines. You can also choose a high-resolution satellite view. Switch layouts using the map icon on the right.

Location Search

Planning a search or trail but not at the training location? No problem! Use the search button on the right to search by place name, street, address, What3Words, or GPS coordinates – for more efficient preparation.



Map Centering

The map automatically centers on your location to help you plan your next steps. During a recording, map centering is locked, so the map always shows your current location and prevents zooming. You can unlock this anytime via the lock button and re-lock as needed.

Marking and Managing Key Points

You can mark and name key points anytime – during search planning or during the recording. This allows you to highlight important spots in the search area and log them for later analysis. During a recording, tap the pin icon at the bottom right to mark a point and give it a name. While planning a search area for Airscent, Disaster, Avalanche, or Cadaver operations, you

can mark relevant spots directly on the map, such as hazardous zones or scent pools.

Compatibility with All Systems

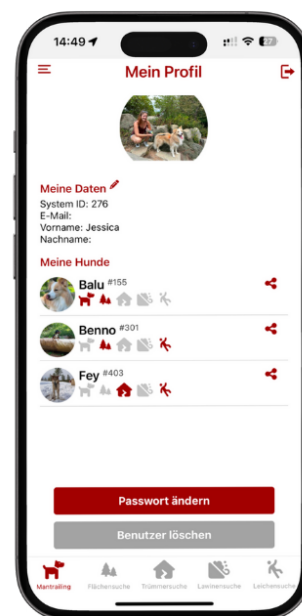
You can import GPX files for search areas, recorded searches, trails, or dog trackers. RescueDogs – The Search Dog App supports GPX imports at every step. Exports are also possible for GPX files, PDFs (including search data, weather, comments, evaluations), and CSV lists per dog – for legal training documentation requirements. To generate a CSV, open the list of recorded searches, tap Export in the top-right corner, and filter by dog name.

Comfort Index

The effectiveness of a search depends on weather and individual dog parameters like drive. Based on your defined criteria and automatically recorded weather data, the app calculates the Comfort Index, indicating whether conditions are favorable for your dog. The index is visualized as a traffic light on the map.

Profile Management

In your profile, manage all dogs with their specific search types. Add profile pictures, gender, age, and assign dogs to organization members. You can also manage your own profile, including updating your password.



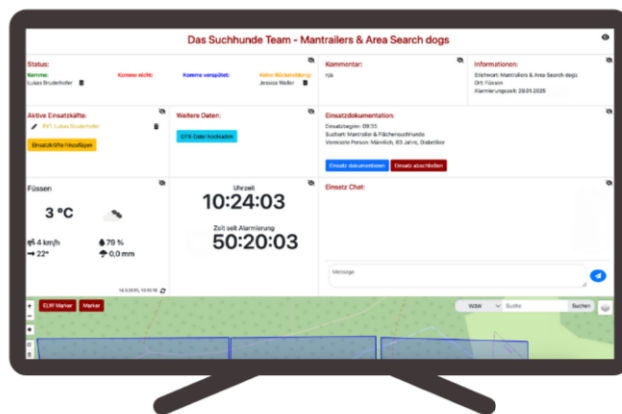
Organization Management

Access the organization dashboard via the main menu. Join an existing organization or create a new one. Enter the organization ID to join. Within an organization, members can share dog profiles, searches, training sessions, and certification info. All test dates are visible to all members. Shared searches can be evaluated, commented on,

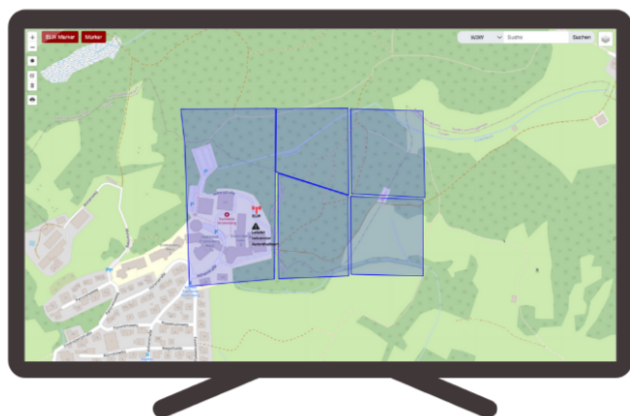
and assigned to dogs. Admins can schedule trainings, assign trainer roles or set operations leaders and can assign members to groups like a group of SAR-helpers. Also, admins can manage premium licenses for every organization member, if volume-license for the organization is bought. Training events include time, place, individual goals, and allow RSVP. Trainers and admins can view responses. This makes planning and conducting training even easier and more efficient!

Operations Module

The RescueDogs – The Search Dog App Operations Module is a reliable tool for the efficient coordination and execution of search operations. It enables well-structured planning, clear communication, and complete documentation – all in one app. With this module, emergency responders can be quickly and specifically alerted, even across organizational boundaries. Alerts are sent using the user ID, and the alerted personnel receive a critical push notification. They can then confirm, decline, or indicate delayed participation in the operation.



At the alert stage, you can already note special privileges (e.g., use of emergency lights), request direct travel, and provide initial operation details. These settings can be changed later if the situation evolves. The module shows all responses at a glance, enabling quick and effective coordination.



During the operation, you can divide the area into search sectors and assign teams to specific zones. Markers can be added to the map – for instance, to identify the incident commander's vehicle or where a person was found. These markers are visible to all participating personnel to ensure a shared operational picture.

Thanks to live tracking, you can monitor the current location of all search teams. Responders can share their live position with the command center, ensuring fast coordination and accurate situational awareness.

The module also supports integration of external data: import GPX files from dog trackers or drones to connect all information seamlessly. Log key events in real time, such as team arrivals, entering buildings, or search milestones.

After the operation, all collected data is available at a glance. Export a complete operations report as a PDF including all relevant data. All operations features are also available in the web version, which was specifically designed for comfortable planning on a desktop computer. Meanwhile, responders can view assigned operations in the app and share their live position.

With the Operations Module, you get everything in one app – from alerting and coordination to documentation and after-action review. It saves time, boosts efficiency, and enables detailed analysis of past operations to improve future training and operations.

Web Version

Thanks to the web version, you can use RescueDogs – The Search Dog App in the browser as well. This is especially helpful for planning training sessions and coordinating operations. The web version features a left-hand menu and allows you to manage your profile and organization, view all recorded searches, use the Track Planner and Search Area Planner, fully utilize the Operations Module, and track team members live during training.

Pause-Function – Precise Time Logging During Searches

The integrated pause function allows you to temporarily pause an active recording without extending the recorded search time. This feature ensures even more precise time documentation, particularly when a subject is found or when a break is needed.

The pause function is activated during a recording by tapping the pause button in the lower left corner of the screen. To resume, simply press the play button at the same spot to continue logging seamlessly.

3. Special Functions for Airscent, Disaster, Avalanche & Cadaver Search Dogs

In addition to the core features available for all search types, RescueDogs – The Search Dog App offers special functionalities tailored specifically for Airscent Search Dogs, Disaster Search Dogs, Avalanche Search Dogs, and Cadaver Search Dogs.

Drawing Search Areas

Search areas for airscents, disaster, avalanche, and cadaver searches can be quickly and easily created by marking the corners of the area directly on the map. Select the desired search type and open the “Record Search” function from the main menu. Tap the center button to begin drawing the search area. Define the first corner, then place the remaining points. Connection lines are automatically generated, and the distance between each point and the total area in square meters is displayed.

Once the area is complete, save it via the button at the bottom center. You can also mark the positions of missing persons and add custom points to highlight important details. All markers, including those for missing persons, are recorded with exact coordinates to increase operational efficiency.

If you don't want to use the drawn area immediately, you can export and share it or import it again later. Exported areas can be shared with organization members, who can then import the area and begin recording without redrawing it.

Viewing and Analyzing Recordings

All recorded searches are accessible from the main menu. To review a recording in more detail, select it from the overview list and tap “View.” The app then displays the area size, paths taken by both the handler and dog, positions of decoys or finds, and any marked points. You can comment and rate the search. You can also enter search-related information like terrain or weather conditions to help evaluate the training.

Multiple searches can be viewed at once by selecting them from the list (lower left button) and tapping the center map icon to display them together.



Planning Search Areas – Efficient Preparation

During training prep, it’s often necessary to predefine search zones without launching a live search. From the main menu, access the “Search Area Planner.” Tap the center button to open the map and select your preferred map layout. You can search by location, address, or coordinates.

Draw the search area, mark decoy positions or custom points, and delete any incorrect entries. Once completed, save the planned area using the button at the bottom. The area can then be used directly when launching a search.

Previously planned areas don’t need to be redrawn — they can be selected and loaded into a new recording. This speeds up deployment and ensures consistent area usage. Planned search areas can also be shared with organization members or exported as PDFs for external use or documentation.

4. Special Features for Mantrailers

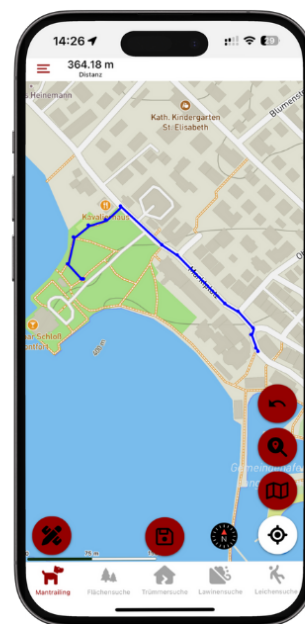
RescueDogs – The Search Dog App includes specialized features tailored for Mantrailing.

Track Planner – Precise Planning for Runner Trails

Use the Track Planner to plan runner trails in advance. Access this via the main menu. To create a new track, place a starting point and then additional points. The app automatically connects these using pedestrian paths, and the trail length is displayed at the top left. Add as many points as needed, then save the trail.

The Track Planner also includes a freestyle mode for flexible layouts. Place a start point and then connect further points manually. In this mode, the app connects them with straight lines, without path logic. This is ideal for off-road trails or open terrain. Activate freestyle via the button in the lower left corner.

You can undo any point using the back arrow. Once saved, tracks can be directly used for recordings. When recording a runner trail, you can overlay the planned trail onto the map. It appears as a colored thin line, providing a reference.



Tracks can also be shared with organization members so others can use them without redrawing.

Recording Trails

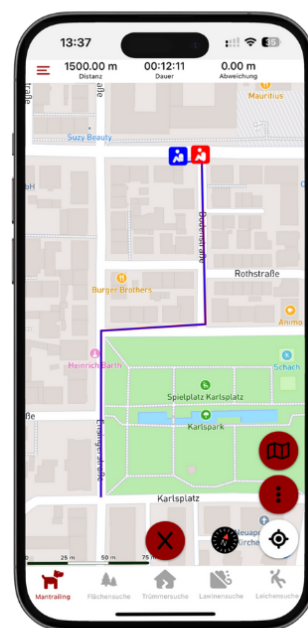
To record, select “Record Trail” from the menu. Choose either a “Runner Trail” or “Dog Trail.” When selecting Dog Trail, you will be asked whether you’d like to link to an existing runner trail. When selecting Runner Trail, you will be asked whether you’d like to link to an existing planned trail. The linked trail is shown on the map as a colored thin line.

You can add custom points during recording and switch map layouts any-time. Distance traveled is shown at the top left. Once complete, save and name the trail.

Viewing and Managing Trails

All trails are accessible via the main menu. Select one and tap “View” for details. If a dog trail is linked to a runner trail, both are overlaid, and deviations are displayed. The displayed distance refers to the dog trail.

You can also link a dog trail with a runner trail afterward and view both together. Record scent age, terrain, and other metadata. Multiple trails can be selected and shown on the map for comparison..



5. Pricing

RescueDogs – The Search Dog App offers a wide range of powerful features even in the free version. You can mark search areas, record trainings, manage trails, coordinate your organization, and connect team members – all at no additional cost. The free version also includes GPS-based location tracking, the management of multiple dog profiles, the Comfort Index for assessing search conditions, the ability to import and export GPX files, and comprehensive documentation for both training and operations.

Whether you are using the app for training or for real operations, the free version already provides extensive tools to make your work more efficient and better organized.

For users who require additional functionality, the Premium Version is available. It includes enhanced map layers, offline maps, the Track Planner specifically designed for Mantrailing, and the live tracking of team members. These features can be individually unlocked via in-app purchases, allowing each user to customize their experience according to their own needs. The Premium Version is available for as little as €0.99 per month or €9.99 per year.

To help you get to know the Premium Version and experience the full range of benefits, we offer a free 7-day trial of all premium features. This allows you to explore the complete potential of the app without commitment.

The Operations Module is available for an annual fee of €249.99. If you are already using other tools for alerting, search area assignment, or live tracking of teams during operations and are unsure whether you need the Operations Module – simply contact us! Your organization can test the Operations Module free of charge for 30 days and discover how everything can be managed seamlessly within a single app.

Closing Statement

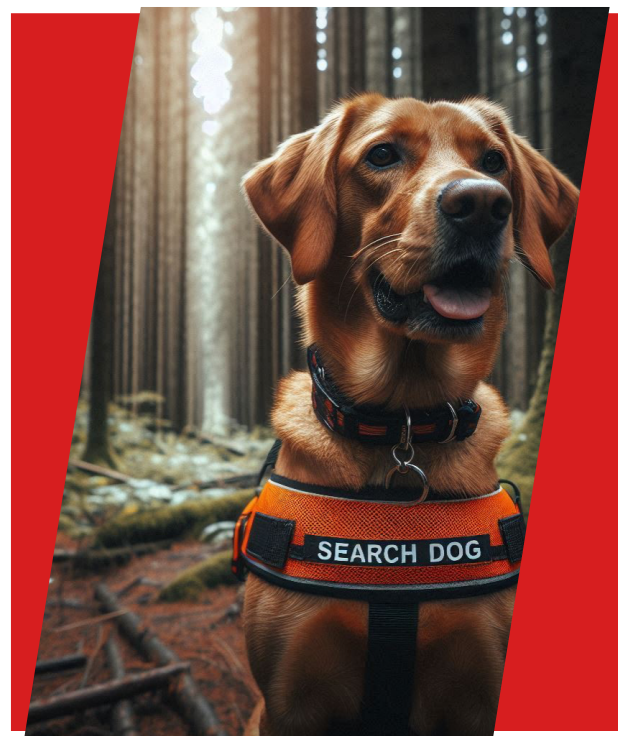
We hope this press kit has provided you with a comprehensive overview of the many features and benefits of RescueDogs – The Search Dog App. Our app is not just a tool, but a trusted partner for anyone committed to the life-saving work of search dogs.

Whether in training or in operations: RescueDogs – The Search Dog App is here to help make your searches more effective and successful. We're proud to support search and rescue work with innovative technology and will continue improving RescueDogs – The Search-Dog App for your benefit.

Thank you for taking the time to learn more about RescueDogs – The Search Dog App. We look forward to supporting your journey and helping raise the standard in the world of search and rescue dogs.

Warm regards,

The RescueDogs Team



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