

# Invitation

## National IRO MRT T

Fujimi, Nagano (JP)  
12. – 15.11.2026

### Information

The “National IRO MRT Rubble (IRO MRT-T)” will be held according to the currently valid „National IRO MRT-T guideline “.

Prerequisite for participants is to provide one helper, who will be used as hiding person.

Catering must be organized independently by participants for the whole duration of the MRT. Snacks for helpers during the MRT will be provided.

### Administrative information

#### Date

Start: 12.11.2026 / 09:00

End: 15.11.2026 / 19:30

#### Location/RDC

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/ToJxgZAPsUgNa4ESA>

#### GPS-Coordinates:

35.9049084271586 N /  
138.25978947719236 E

#### International IRO

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### Registration and Registration Deadline

From 05. until 15.10.2026 at the very latest.

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The number of participants is limited to 24.

## Evaluation and Contents

### General Evaluation Criteria:

- Solely search and rescue dog teams will be tested during the National IRO MRT-T.
- The assessment of classifiers at the respective working sites is final. No objections can be raised against the assessment results.

### Evaluation:

- Five 20-minutes searches have to be carried out either at day or at a night time.
- Besides these searches the following additional subjects will be tested:
  - First Aid Dog
  - required knowledge for national mission in Japan
  - INSARAG
  - Human First aid (practical evaluation)

### INSARAG Marking & Signalling System and Communication:

- The participants' knowledge about the international INSARAG Marking and Signalling System will be tested
- The INSARAG Guidelines may be used for help. The current version can be found on the INSARAG homepage <https://www.insarag.org/methodology/insarag-guidelines/>

### First Aid Dog – practical & theoretical evaluation:

The dog first aid evaluation may comprise of several tasks per participant. This exercise can take place at any time and can be scenario based. Tasks are selected from the following fields:

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| • Accident Prevention              | • Restraining / Immobilizing Procedures |
| • First-Aid-Kit                    | • Wound Bandaging                       |
| • Recognition of Injuries/Symptoms | • Basic Shock Therapy                   |
| • Normal Vital Parameters          | • Bleeding control                      |
| • Hyperthermia & Hypothermia       | • Safe Transport & Health Monitoring    |

### Prerequisites

- Prove of IPO-R RH T B or in accordance to the present valid "National IRO MRT-T guidelines" (2.1 Requirements for participation)
- Proof of First Aid Course (incl. Basic Life Support/CPR), according to international standards, not older than 5 years
- Proof of vaccinations according to the "IRO vaccination scheme"
- Agreement of participants and helpers to the "IRO General Terms and Conditions".
- Each participant is required to register one helper (hiding person).
- Translators must be registered for the permission to provide translation to one participant exclusively.

## **RDC / Registration**

**Address:** 6729 Ochiai, Fujimi, Suwa-gun, Nagano Prefecture, Japan

**GPS-Coordinates:** 35.9049084271586 N / 138.25978947719236 E

**Registration:** 12.11.2026 / 09:00

**RDC CONTACT:** MURASE Shimpei

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The National IRO MRT-T begins with the arrival and registration of participants at the “Reception and Departure Centre (RDC)”. For this, please note the following:

- Transport of participants and helpers up to the RDC is within the responsibility of the participating dog handlers.
- Passports of the dog handlers (which must be valid for at least 6 months) and dogs’ vaccination cards (IRO vaccination scheme must be presented at the RDC).
- Furthermore, the proof of a successfully completed RH T-B or equivalent must be shown.
- At the RDC equipment will be checked – each participant is asked to present the entire equipment (PPE, provision, etc.) at the RDC.
- Only participants presenting complete equipment with regards to Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), provisions, passport, dog’s vaccination pass according to the “IRO vaccination scheme” are relocated to the BoO and thus granted permission to participate at the National IRO MRT-T.
- After the RDC procedure the participants will be guided to the BoO site.

### **Veterinary Check:**

- All dogs participating in the National IRO MRT-T must have valid vaccinations according to the “IRO Vaccination Scheme”.
- Only dogs, for which complete and valid vaccinations according to the “IRO vaccination scheme” are provided, may participate in the National IRO MRT T. Should incomplete proofs of vaccinations be detected at the initial veterinary check at the RDC, the team is not permitted to start at the National IRO MRT T.
- At the beginning of the MRT, the dogs’ current state of health will be checked. In case of special occurrences, additional veterinary checks can be requested by the classifiers at any time. A veterinarian will be available for the whole duration of the National IRO MRT-T.

## **Equipment Check** (according to the national IRO MRT T Guidelines, “Appendix B”)

Dog handler:

- Helmet: safety helmet according to EN443 or similar standards
- Shoes: protection class S3 (toe protection cap and protection against perforation)
- Gloves: suitable for rubble and for roping
- Protection wear: long closed clothes suitable for the weather conditions. Optional high visibility level according to EN 471/2, EN ISO 20471.
- Elbow and Knee protection / Safety glasses and a lamp

## **Personal Equipment (PE)**

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| • Documentation handler/dog(waterproof)                                   | • Notebook, pen/pencil              |
| • Warm/Waterproof coat/trousers(handler)                                  | • USAR/INSARAG documents            |
| • Warm/Waterproof jacket (dog)                                            | • Bivy Bag (handler/dog)            |
| • Small First Aid Kit (dog/handler)                                       | • Hand torch (spare batteries)      |
| • GPS/compass, mapping equipment                                          | • 24hr Ration Pack (handler)24      |
| • Whistle                                                                 | • Dog food (dog), waste/faeces bags |
| • Bottled water, min. 2L (dog/handler)                                    | • Paw protection for the dog        |
| • warming/cooling jacket for the dog (in accordance to weather condition) | • Working harness/identification    |
|                                                                           | • Lead                              |
|                                                                           | • Muzzle                            |

## **Base of Operations (BoO)**

- BoO for participants will be close to the RDC.
- Participants must bring all necessary equipment for the stay at the BoO by themselves.
- Catering for the participants in the BoO during the operational test must be organized by the participants themselves. °
- Security lightening, purified water and toilet will be provided at the BoO.
- It is allowed to use own generators at the BoO.
- The car park for participants is located in the immediate vicinity of the BoO. Access to the vehicles is only possible on Sunday after the end of the events or after consultation with the Senior Classifier.

## Helpers

- Snacks for the helpers will be provided.
- An accommodation will be provided.
- All personal items required for the activity as a figurant (such as a mat, sleeping bag, alarm whistle, etc.) must be brought by the helpers themselves.

## Miscellaneous

- Each participant is responsible for their own general liability and accident insurance as well as for the dog's liability insurance.
- Each participant is responsible for their own/their helpers' arrival and departure.

## Costs

The participation fee is 45,000 YEN

