



Invitation

IRO Course Area Search (Beginners + Advanced)

Schöneben (AT), Thursday, June 4th to Sunday, June 7th 2026

Topics and Contents

- » Search tactics
- » Search patterns / working out an area terrain
- » Directability / base line
- » Getting the scent / scent pools
- » Establish and strengthen the alert behaviour / helpers

Administrative Informations

Course Venue

IRO Training Ground Schöneben
Upper Austria
directions: see Info Sheet
GPS: N 48.711771, E 13.951476

Duration

Thursday, 4th of June 2026 – Sunday, 7th of June 2026

Start and allocation of the groups: 04.06. at 10.00 a.m.

End: 07.06. at approx. 3.00 p.m.

Registration and Deadline

Please register online via the "portal.iro-dogs.org" until **May 7th 2026 at the latest.**

Complete registrations are ranked according to date of receipt. Course participation has to be confirmed by the IRO office.

Trainers

Alarico Sberlati (IT)
Paul Pranter (IT)
Gerald Odlozilik (AT)

Requirements

- » Dogs of all ages and levels, also young dogs
- » Per dog handler only one dog
- » Dog handlers will be used as helpers
- » Proof of all vaccinations according to IRO vaccination scheme (leptospirosis, parvovirus, distemper, hepatitis, rabies) for the dog; the trainer has to check the dog's vaccination status, in case it does not correspond to the IRO vaccination scheme, the dog is not allowed to participate in the course
- » Valid insurance and required vaccinations for the dog for travelling into and staying in Austria.
- » The taking along and use of means of force are prohibited.
- » The Austrian Animal Welfare Act applies.
- » If a participating bitch is in heat, please inform us during the group allocation on the first day of the course.

The number of participants is limited to 24 search and rescue dog teams. Registration in order of date of receipt (postmark).

Accommodation & Catering

Reservation and self-catering have to be arranged by each participant. For questions, please contact: ausbildung@iro-dogs.org resp. + 43 664 887 384 41.

Costs

Course fees for IRO-NRO Members: € 300 per participant (€ 180 **without** dog).

Course fees for Non-IRO Members: € 600 per participant (€ 360 **without** dog).

Please transfer the fee – **FREE OF CHARGE FOR THE IRO** -indicating the purpose: **“IRO Area Course AT 06/26 – Name”** to:

Raiffeisenbank Peuerbach reg.Gen.m.b.H., Hauptstrasse 14, A-4722 Peuerbach
BIC: RZOOAT2L442, IBAN: AT11 3444 2000 0004 4420

Limited number of participants!
Registrations will be accepted as received and will get valid
by payment of Entry Fee to our bank account!

Hotel Recommendations

See enclosure “[IRO Training Facility Infosheet](#)”