



PERSONNEL RECOVERY COMMAND AND CONTROL

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PERSONNEL RECOVERY COORDINATION CELL (PRCC)

The Air Force component's PRCC is the hub of personnel recovery (PR) [command and control](#) (C2) activities and is typically located in the [air operations center](#) (AOC). Air Force units will report all isolating incidents to the PRCC. Even if the [air component commander](#) is designated the [supported commander](#) for PR, the air component commander should maintain a PRCC capability in order to tend to air component PR responsibilities. PRCC responsibilities include the following:

- ✦ Perform PR mission coordinator duties.
- ✦ Conduct PR planning.
- ✦ Task and coordinate mission requirements with subordinate PR-capable units.
 - ✦✦ Coordinate, establish, and publish PR communications plans in appropriate air tasking orders.
- ✦ Document PR events.
- ✦ Operate PR checklists.
- ✦ Maintain real-time intelligence information on systems posing threats to PRs.
- ✦ Designate isolated personnel report (ISOPREP) control points.
- ✦ Obtain ISOPREP data and evasion plans of action from units.
- ✦ Coordinate tasking among PR-capable forces.
- ✦ Inform the joint personnel recovery center (JPRC) if rescue forces are capable of executing the mission.

- ✦ Request additional recovery forces through the JPRC if rescue forces are unable to execute the PR mission unilaterally.
- ✦ Coordinate PR activities with the JPRC, supporting agencies, medical representatives, a variety of other government and non-government agencies, and the requesting unit.
- ✦ Distribute PR special instructions (SPINS) to the air component commander's subordinate units. Note that the PRCC is still responsible for coordination of PR SPINS with other component commands and the JPRC.
- ✦ Maintain a database of known crash locations within their area of responsibility.
- ✦ Review PR appendices to Annex C (Operations) for air component supporting concept plans, operation plans, and operation orders.

Standard PRCC Duty Positions

Director, Personnel Recovery Coordination Cell. The air component commander directs Air Force PR operations through the PRCC director. The PRCC director is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the PRCC and is responsible to the AOC's combat operations division chief. If the air component commander is responsible for joint PR operations, the PRCC director will normally be designated the JPRC director. Additionally, that person will still be responsible for Air Force PRCC operations.

Personnel Recovery Plans Officer. This PR plans officer is responsible to the PRCC director and the Chief of Combat Plans with duties in the AOC's combat plans division and typically works in the master air attack plan team while providing expertise to all other elements of the combat plans division. The PR plans officer develops detailed execution plans for PR operations.

Personnel Recovery Duty Officer. The PR duty officer (PRDO) is responsible to the PRCC director, the AOC's Chief of Combat Operations, and senior offensive duty officer, as appropriate, for the management of all PR assets assigned or made available. The PRDO monitors combat search and rescue (CSAR) packages from departure through recovery. The PRDO should know the details of each package in which CSAR forces participate, such as ordnance, primary target, secondary target, assigned pre-strike and post-strike tanker, orbit, off-load, and mission results.

Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape (SERE) Program Manager. The SERE program manager (PM) is responsible to the PRCC Director. SERE PM is also responsible to the PRDO when providing subject matter expert support during active missions. The SERE PM develops joint SERE and PR tactics, techniques and procedures and supports operational taskings for [joint force commanders](#). SERE PM also functions as the theater SERE and PR subject matter expert developing and coordinating SERE and PR operational support programs. These programs may include

reintegration team member tasks, SERE debriefing, ISOPREPs, evasion plans of action, blood chits, evasion charts, and PR aids.

Theater PR Controller. The theater PR controller is responsible to the PR watch officer. The theater PR controller ensures that various functions of PR operations are performed and accountability functions are properly executed and sustained for air component commander assigned forces that become isolated. The theater PR controller maintains execution checklists for isolated PR, operates communications equipment, prepares required PR support requests and situation reports, and obtains and forwards isolated personnel data to other component organizations and the joint force supporting PR organization.
