

Please read this before registering a PLB beacon

The registration of a COSPAS-SARSAT beacon 406 MHz is **very** important. In case of beacon activation, the Search and Rescue (SAR) forces use the information provided, which is a very important tool for the JRCC, the Cyprus Police and other agencies engaged in the SAR, in order to quickly and effectively identify your position. Failure to register your beacon will likely result in delay in response time of SAR forces and will help to avoid unnecessary mobilization of the SAR units in case of accidental activation.

PLB beacon registration is free. It is a service provided by the JRCC Larnaca.

All beacon registrations that are made either through JRCC Larnaca website or sent by fax, will be listed in the national database in no more than 2 working days of submission. All registrations that are sent by mail will be listed in no more than 2 working days from the date of delivery. A confirmation letter of the beacon registration will be sent as soon as the beacon is listed, granting that an e-mail or a fax number has been provided. Confirmation letters sent by mail might take up to 2 weeks to be received. As soon as you receive the confirmation letter about your PLB registration, please check that the information provided are correct and contact JRCC Larnaca via fax, e-mail or mail if any changes occur. If you do not receive a confirmation letter at the above time limits, please contact JRCC Larnaca at 1441.

After the initial beacon registration (or renewal of registration), you will receive a registration sticker by mail, which is recommended to be placed on the beacon. Both the sticker and the confirmation letter are proof of the registration of your PLB beacon. If for some reason you do not receive the sticker within 3 weeks after submitting your registration, please contact JRCC Larnaca at 1441.

Every 2 years, owners/users of personal PLB beacons will have to renew their beacon registration in order to ensure maximum reliability of the information available to JRCC Larnaca. Also, in cases of change of the beacon owner or use and change of the information initially stated, the beacon should be registered again.

Personal data will be stored by JRCC Larnaca in the national database. In no case these information will be used for any other reason than by SAR units in case of beacon activation.

Finally, false alarms are a major problem for the SAR forces because of resource waste and also high cost. We ask you to pay particular attention to the instructions of your personal PLB beacon, in the manner of installation, testing, maintenance and storage. These are important factors in reducing false alarms. **Please use your personal PLB beacons with extreme caution.**