



ICE SAR Icelandic Rescue Team

CASE STORY

Icelandic search and rescue team Sudurnes use Dantherm mobile tent heaters in their rescue missions in Iceland.

"We have used Dantherm's VAM 15 MKII tent heater in many missions, both in really cold and hot weather and it has never let us down while others around us have different heaters that have failed".

This was the flattering statement from Guðni Emilsson of ICE-SAR, an Icelandic life-saving and rescue team association, when he contacted Dantherm in March 2013 in order to buy another VAM 15 MK II heater for the tents used for search and rescue missions in Iceland and also with the international ICE-SAR team.



Iceland is an island in the North Atlantic Ocean, 103,000 km² in size. The population is 300,000. The landscape is magnificent, with spectacular wilderness and the largest glaciers in Europe. Volcanic eruptions, earthquakes, extreme weather and snow avalanches are part of what Icelanders have to deal with. Unlike most countries, there is no army in Iceland, and the Icelandic Coast Guard is small, with only a few ships and aircrafts.

Independent associations like ICE-SAR have an extensive role in prevention and rescue work in Iceland. Thousands of volunteers dedicate themselves to work for the ICE-SAR rescue teams, accident prevention divisions and youth sections. Their joint mission is to prevent accidents and save human lives and valuables. In order to fulfil that role there are extensive groups of volunteers always available, night and day, year round.

ICE-SAR Sudurnes received their second VAM 15 MKII in April 2013 and hopefully this new heater will prove to be just as useful and reliable as the first one and ensure comfortable accommodation for the rescue teams under extreme weather conditions.

Below is a picture from an ICE-SAR rescue mission in Greenland, where a mobile tent heater VAM 15 was used constantly for three days and three nights keeping the tents at 15°-20°C at outside temperatures from -5° to -10°C.



Read more about ICE-SAR here:
<http://www.icesar.com/>