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"ICE" (In Case of Emergency)

Now here is a noble idea received from Albert (Smittie) Smit ZS1AK. I for one would like my family to know if I am involved in any emergency. The SAWDIS contacted Werner Vermaak of ER24 and he confirmed that ER24 promoted this concept a few times already and that they plan to do it again. For "ICE" to be successful you firstly have to enter the contact numbers of either family or friends on your cellphone and secondly the "ICE" concept must be brought to the attentions of all emergency personal. The SAWDIS will publish this article from time to time and request that all take note thereof.

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Apparently this is a standard procedure all paramedics follow at the scene of an accident when they come across your cell phone.

We all carry our mobile phones with names & numbers stored in its memory but nobody, other than ourselves, knows which of these numbers belong to our closest family or friends.

If we were to be involved in an accident or were taken ill, the people attending us would have our mobile phone but wouldn't know who to call.

Yes, there are hundreds of numbers stored but which one is the contact person in case of an emergency? Hence this 'ICE' (In Case of Emergency) Campaign.

The concept of 'ICE' is catching on quickly. It is a method of contact during emergency situations.

As cell(mobile) phones are carried by the majority of the population, all you need to do is store the number of a contact person or persons who should be contacted during emergency under the name 'ICE' (In Case Of Emergency).

The idea was thought up by a paramedic who found that when he went to the scenes of accidents, there were always mobile phones with patients, but they didn't know which number to call. He therefore thought that it would be a good idea if there was a nationally recognized name for this purpose. In an emergency situation, Emergency Service personnel and hospital Staff would be able to quickly contact the right person by simply dialing the number you have stored as 'ICE.'

For more than one contact name simply enter ICE1, ICE2 and ICE3 etc. A great idea that will make a difference!

Let's spread the concept of ICE by storing an ICE number in our Mobile phones today!

Please forward this to family and friends. It won't take too many 'forwards' before everybody will know about this. It really could save your life, or put a loved one's mind at rest.

ICE will speak for you when you are not able to.

SAWDIS: Many thanks to Smittie for bringing this concept under the attention of the SAWDIS.

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