

## **Emergency SMS Service for Hill Walkers**

## How the emergencySMS service works

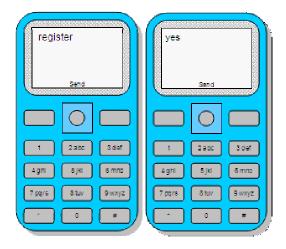
The emergencySMS service lets deaf, hard of hearing and speech-impaired people in the UK send an SMS text message to the UK 999 service where it will be passed to the police, ambulance, fire rescue, or coastguard. It is also available for Mountaineers / Hill Walkers when the signal strength is not sufficient for a voice call, but is for a text message.

You will need to register your mobile phone before using the emergencySMS service.

Simply by sending a text message to 999 you can call for help and the emergency services will be able to reply to you.

## Registering your mobile phone

You need to register your mobile phone before using the trial emergencySMS service. This is best done **before** you need help. You can register by sending an SMS text message from your mobile phone.



To register using SMS text messages you must:

- 1. Send the word 'register' in an SMS message to 999
- 2. You will then receive SMS messages about the service
- 3. When you have read these SMS messages reply by sending 'yes' in an SMS message to 999
- 4. You will receive a SMS message telling you that your mobile phone is registered or if there is a problem with your registration

Full details are available on the emergencySMS website at :- http://www.emergencysms.org.uk