

#### Amphibious UTV

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### ARGO's 2012 750 8x8 HDi and Centaur 8x8 Vehicle Lineup -Incredible Transportation And Unmatched Value for Fire & Rescue Fleets

Fire & Rescue units face constant budget challenges. Maintaining a fleet of vehicles to support rescue efforts in hard-to-reach areas and wild lands can be a daunting task for any department manager. The 2012 ARGO and Centaur lineup solves this complex puzzle for fire & rescue fleet managers by offering the best of all worlds. ARGO's flagship models have a low relative cost when compared to traditional fire & rescue vehicles, tracked hydrostatics, or light watercrafts. They balance a low terrain impact with a high payload capability for both personnel and gear. For 2012, <u>the ARGO Fire Chief</u> is the best value, extreme-terrain capable solution for delivering fire fighting and rescue crews and equipment anywhere they are needed. Areas inundated with temporary flooding, criss-crossed by small streams or dominated by deep mud are no match for these extreme terrain vehicles. A poly water tank, fire-suppressing foam tank, tool mounts and an on-board basket for victims or cargo all come standard. And best of all, decades of experience in the most rugged places on earth and the rugged Centaur chassis help the ARGO Fire Chief to be low-maintenance and reliable. Simplify your unit's fleet by switching to the all-season 2012 ARGO Fire Chief and other ARGO 8x8 HDi models!

Fire & Rescue personnel require capable vehicles that permit them strategic entry anywhere trouble strikes. Just like rescue personnel, ARGOs shine when circumstances are the most chaotic and dangerous. Whether traversing flooded terrain, areas that are environmentally sensitive, or covered in deep snow—the ARGO and the Centaur conquer them all. Maintaining traditional off-road vehicles mandates seasonal single purpose vehicles that spend months taking up valuable space in your fire hall. Why utilize a fleet of different tracked vehicles, UTVs, trucks, snowmobiles, and small boats? <u>One amphibious ARGO, carrying gear and up to six rescue workers, can do it all!</u> Fully enclosed cab options and an optional track kit ensure that rescue personnel can get into action quickly, regardless of the environment or time of year.

In addition, ARGOs have an endless variety of accessories for each particular task your department faces. For 2012, ARGO offers more accessories than ever with rear spare fuel and tire carriers, and a custom-designed cargo box liner to protect the vehicle while carrying abrasive materials or sharp tools. The ARGO platform has endless customization options for whatever task is necessary, while still maintaining the stable center of gravity and the amphibious, all-terrain capability.



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# 2012 ARGO 8x8 – the low cost <u>solution</u> for enhancing your Fire & Rescue Fleet when people and equipment transport in extreme terrain is required

ARGO has given its top-of-the-line **750 HDi 8x8 and** the advanced features that SAR and Firefighting fleet managers are looking for, including lighter steering effort for all-day ease-of-use, a more powerful drive train for accomplishing the most rugged tasks, comfortable seating, massive storage space, and a more durable design to maximize utilization - getting the job done anytime of the year. The **2012 ARGO 750 HDi** is fuel efficient, simple to maintain and even more environmentally friendly than previous ARGO models.

The patented ADMIRAL transmission takes the driving experience of the full skid steering system to a level never seen before in this price range. ARGO's 2012 models continue to benefit users with a quieter muffler and improved engine compartment cooling. For more comfort, all liquid cooled 8x8 ARGO models can be equipped with optional suspension seats and a convenient entry step. For 2012, ARGO is introducing a new high torque alternative allowing the operator to improve performance and mobility in extremely difficult terrain conditions.

# Bring More Fight to a Fire, and More Search Capability to a Rescue--Anywhere, Anytime

ARGO's remarkable vehicles are packed with a suite of unique premium features, including the ARGO's unique 25" off-road amphibious tire, providing greater ride comfort, all-terrain traction and propulsion over water. In addition, ARGO offers a wide selection of extreme performance tracks that virtually go through any terrain. Large triple-sealed outer bearings and heavy-duty axles enhance durability and life expectancy in demanding off-road conditions. The overall result: a superior amphibious UTV for up to 6 passengers that is simply in a different league. The 2012 models reflect ARGOs continued advancements in steering efficiency, low maintenance and ergonomic design.

ARGO has a 2012 model for every off-road fire and SAR need. When personnel and portable equipment need to be carried, the all season **2012 ARGO 8x8 750 HDi** pairs the ingenious triple-differential ADMIRAL steering transmission with a powerhouse 31-hp fuel-injected engine to move teams into action quickly. It is an all-terrain, amphibious off-roader that turns with ease in high gear, while maintaining its amazing on-the-spot maneuverability in low gear.

The ARGO 8x8 750 HDi Special Edition includes numerous upgrades as standard equipment. For usages requiring less power but full terrain capability, the ARGO 8x8 700 HD, ARGO 6x6 650 HD, as well as the entry model ARGO 8x8 Frontier 650 provide great value at an incredible price.

For heavy utility applications the Centaur 8x8 DT, with its 3 cylinder liquid cooled 34 hp turbo diesel engine, provides tremendous power and flexible load capacity for the mounting of cargo boxes, fire & rescue equipment, cranes, tools and many other options.



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www.ARGOutv.com E-mail: sales@ARGOutv.com All 2012 ARGO vehicles are available in tundra, yellow, blue, black, and red. In addition, ARGO is introducing an advanced environmentally friendly Gardobond<sup>®</sup> metal coating process providing significantly improved performance and durability, without containing any hazardous heavy metals. In summary, ARGO's new **2012 HD** Series are a quantum leap in all-terrain extreme versatility, performance, comfort, power and ruggedness that needs to be experienced.

Click here to find out more and book your test drive today.

The ARGO product line is designed for fire & rescue, the public sector, utility construction and maintenance, resource exploration, mining as well as agriculture and forestry. This versatile all-season workhorse can be equipped with optional accessories such as rubber tracks, convertible top, receiver winch, windshield, bilge pump, and a lot more.

Engineered and produced continuously since 1967, every ARGO is backed by decades of unrivaled experience in the design and manufacturing of off-road vehicles. Today, ARGO is the world's leading manufacturer of lightweight amphibious vehicles and innovative off-road platforms.

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