

CARACAL AIR ASSAULT VEHICLE

The brand new CARACAL is Rheinmetall's answer to the upcoming airborne vehicle requirements in Germany, The Netherlands and various armies around the world.

Based on the latest militarized and series-proven G-Class chassis, the CARACAL enables a wide array of capabilities covering the full airborne operational spectrum. The compact vehicle design allows air-transportability as internal load or as underslung transport matching with the latest CH-47F Chinook and CH-53K King Stallion helicopters and comes with highest mobility, a lightweight superstructure and optionally mountable ballistic protection elements.

Its unique modular design allows CARACAL to serve in airborne operations in various roles ranging from simple troop transport, via ambulance applications to combat engineer groups and different logistic applications.

KEY CHARACTERISTICS

- Exclusive cooperation between Rheinmetall, Mercedes-Benz and ACS
- Latest generation military-of-the-shelf G-Class chassis by Mercedes-Benz
- Lightweight and modular superstructure by ACS
- Transport of up to two vehicles inside heavy transport helicopters CH-47F and CH-53K
- Air transportability as underslung load
- Integration of standard infantry weapons and ATGM weapons on ring mount
- Large scale series production available
- Full life cycle support over 20 years by Rheinmetall



TECHNICAL DATA	
Dimensions	
Length	4,350/4,700 mm
Width	1,810 mm
Height	1,850 mm
Weight	
Gross vehicle weight	4,900 kg
Air transportable weight	≤4,400 kg
Payload	up to 2,000 kg
Performance	
Maximum speed on road	130 km/h
Gradient	60%
Side slope	30%
Fording depth	700 mm
Climbing ability	330 mm
Trench crossing	500 mm
ABS and ESP	

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Power pack	
Mercedes-Benz	
6-cylinder Diesel engine (EURO I	II)
Engine output	183 kW (249 hp)
Engine torque	600 Nm @ 1,400 - 2,800 rpm
Transmission Mercedes-Benz NAG3 9G-tronic	
Air transportability	
Up to two vehicles inside HTH CH-47F and CH-53K or underslung	
Variants	
Personnel transport (half group/group)	
Reconnaissance	
Ambulance	
Command post	
Combat engineer group/Material transport	
Protection (optional)	
Ballistic protection kit	
Mine protection kit	

