Augusta A-109 K2

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The Augusta A-109 is a light helicopter designed and manufactured in Italy. Development began in the 1960s and the first of three prototypes made its initial flight on 4 August 1971. This helicopter has proved to be very popular, the 500th was delivered in June 2006 and it had been produced in a wide range of versions for civil and military use.

The A-109 K2 version was designed to meet the specifications of REGA, the Swiss air rescue service. It has a high-altitude and high-temperature capability and fixed undercarriage, unlike most A-109s. It is typically used by police, search and rescue and air ambulance operators.

This model represents an Augusta A-109 K2 in service with REGA in the late 1990s.

Data: Light helicopter. *Engines* two Turbomeca Arriel 1C2 turboshaft engines of 508kW each. *Main rotor diameter* 11m. *Length* 11.45m. *Maximum take-off weight* 2,650kg. *Maximum speed* 311km/h. *Ferry range* 932km. *Crew* 1 or 2.

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