

There are 2 scripts contained in this PDF. Use the WEEKLY TRAINING NET script on page 2 for the weekly nets and, for an emergency, use the EMERGENCY NET PROCEDURE script on page 4.

The EMERGENCY NET PROCEDURE is to be used only for authorized emergency activation of the net.

Weekly Training Net

Clear the frequency

This is [your call]. I will begin the Southwest Harris County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net at the top of the hour. A clear frequency will be appreciated. We welcome all visitors to check in.

Preamble

Calling the Southwest Harris County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net. This is [your call] and I am the net control station. We meet every Wednesday at 8PM for training, and tonight we are using the [Repeater Frequency] repeater with a PL tone of [PL Tone]. If you don't have the PL tone entered, then transmit simplex on the repeater output frequency. The backup repeater, should one be needed, is the [Repeater Frequency] repeater with a PL tone of [PL Tone].

[See the weekly email sent out with the net information or look at the published schedule spreadsheet for repeater assignments, trustees, BU/NCS, etc.]

Are there any stations with emergency or priority traffic?

[If so, pass the traffic to one of the NTS stations on the net.]

B/U NCS & Training

Is the backup net control and training station on frequency, over?

Thank you, [Training station ID].

Direction

This is a directed net. Stations may not call one another without going through net control first. The net is open to any licensed amateur. For digital check-ins, please send a Winlink message to: **WD8RZA**, **K5OB**, and **WB5HJV**. CC: your own email address to confirm it was sent.

I will first take check-ins from ARES members. Please let me know if you are checking in-and-out, or if you have relays or announcements for the net. I will call for your information after all check-ins are complete. Also, if you are a National Traffic System Liaison Station, please notify me when checking in. You may pass your NTS traffic after the net concludes. Please check-in with your callsign using phonetics, and give your name, over.

The net recognizes: [list call signs]

Traffic

This is [your call], net control. I will now take check-ins from [Digital traffic station].

<Take and confirm digital check-ins>

Visitors

This is [*your call*]. I will now take check-ins from any visiting stations that wish to join us. Please check-in with your callsign using phonetics and give your name, over.

The net recognizes: [*list call signs*]

Training

This is [*your call*]. Will [*Training station ID*] please begin tonight's training, over.

<After training concludes...>

This is [*your call*]. Thank you, [*Training station*]. Are there any comments or questions on tonight's training, over?

Announcements and Public Service

This is [*your call*].

[Read the list of announcements and Public Service events.]

Is there any further business or announcements for the net, over?

<Take stations with business or announcements now, if any>

Late

Are there any late check-ins for the net, over?

The net recognizes: [*List call signs*]

Conclusion

The District 14 Southwest Unit ARES net meets every Wednesday at 8PM local time. For more information about ARES, or to join ARES, go to **stxd14ares.org**. You can also access a list of upcoming public service events, other local nets, and extensive training resources on this same site.

Thanks to all who joined the net tonight, and thanks to the repeater trustee, [*Repeater Trustee name & call sign*], for allowing us to use this repeater.

This is [*your call*] out.

Follow-up

Following the completion of the net and the validation check between the NCS and B/U NCS, the NCS or B/U NCS should email a copy of the check-in log (live, relays, digitals) to: Wes Clavey (westley.clavey@gmail.com) and Sheree Horton (sher5456@gmail.com).

Emergency Net Procedure

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This is [your call sign] net control station for this net. This net is being activated at the direction of the South West Harris County ARES (Duty Officer, Officer In Charge (OIC), Emergency Coordinator, Assistant Emergency Coordinator):

- due to an emergency
- due to a potential emergency
- as a drill
- as an exercise

and with the permission of the repeater trustee [repeater trustee & call sign]. This repeater requires a PL tone of [PL tone] for access. If your transmitter does not have this tone, transmit simplex on the repeater output frequency.

This is a directed net, address all transmissions to Net Control by giving your call sign only, then wait for instructions from Net Control. Any station with emergency or priority traffic may break in at any time by giving their call sign and stating, “emergency traffic,” or “priority traffic,” as appropriate.

Emergency traffic is defined as any immediate threat to life or property. Priority traffic is any official message to or from any public service organization.

1. Briefly describe the emergency situation, drill or exercise.
2. Call for check-ins, if appropriate.
3. Prepare a resource list, if appropriate.
4. Announce backup frequencies and net control stations.

When checking in to the net, give your call sign only using phonetics. All stations are requested to remain on frequency until the net closes. If it's necessary to leave the net, notify Net Control.

I will now take check-ins from stations with call sign suffixes beginning: A (alpha) through L (lima).

Acknowledge the call signs you hear before asking for more stations. Continue until no one answers, then: M (mike) through Z (zulu).

Acknowledge the call signs you hear before asking for more stations. Continue until no one answers.

Notes:

1. Call each station and request the information on the Resource List form
2. Repeat the above (including repeater frequency and sub-audible tone) as necessary, and until directed otherwise by the OIC or EC.
3. Maintain a log of all check-ins and traffic on the net.
4. This information will be reported at the end of the exercise.