Sussex County Amateur Radio Emergency Service

2m Training Net – Net Control Script

Pre Net

Three minutes before the net: **"This is [CALL SIGN] the Sussex County ARES net will begin in approximately 3 minutes. "**

Preamble

"This is [CALL SIGN] calling the Sussex County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net. This net meets on the first and third Wednesday evenings in even Months and first Wednesday in odd months at 7:00 PM on the 147.090 repeater (PL156.7) maintained and owned by the Sussex Amateur Radio Association.

This is a directed net. During the net, please direct all communications through net control, [CALL SIGN] This net is open to anyone interested in ARES and emergency communications. ARES membership is not required and all Amateurs are encouraged to check in.

The primary purpose of ARES is to furnish emergency back-up communications for supported agencies when regular communications fail or become inadequate.

At this time, I'm looking for a backup net control station. Is there a volunteer for back-up net control? *Wait for the appointed Back-Up to respond. If there is no response ask again for a Back-up.* **I recognize [Call Sign] as my backup**. *If nobody responds proceed without a back-up.*

Emergency or priority traffic will be handled immediately during this net. If you have emergency or priority traffic, please call [**NCS CALL SIGN**], Net Control, now

Any relays for Priority or Emergency Traffic please call NCS now.

Check-ins

"I will now call for check-ins. To check-in, giving your callsign slowly and phonetically, first name and location and mention if you have traffic or announcements for the net. If you are an EOC station or a station representing another EMCOMM group, please say your affiliation when you check in"

At this time, I will take check ins from stations on independent power or mobile stations. Please call NCS now.

Net Control recognizes [*say call sign for Independent or mobile check ins.*]"

"I'll take ECHO-LINK stations next. Any station on ECHO-LINK please call now.."

"**Net Control recognizes** [*say call sign for echo-link check ins.*]"

"**All other stations please check in at this time. Please call in groups of five.**

Recognition of Check-ins
Net control recognizes [*say call sign for all of the stations that checked in*].

Recognize stations with announcements, giving them the opportunity to make their announcement.

Discussion/Questions
"Any station having a question or an item for discussion, please call [CALL SIGN] net control now. "

Recognize stations.. .if it's a discussion item, open the net for discussion. Have stations with comments call you, then recognize them!... If there's a question that you know the direct answer to, answer the question, otherwise, turn the net over to the EC for an answer. If the EC isn't on frequency, allow stations with an answer to answer by calling you.

Additional Check-ins
"I will now pause to recognize any additional check-ins. Any station who wishes to check into the net, please call [CALL SIGN] net control now. "

Close **"I will now bring the net to a close. This evening we had [number of check-ins] check-ins."** *Ask back up Net Control to confirm the number and thank him or her for service*.

"When I say your call sign, please respond with your call sign and the words 'closing station'."

The NCS will then call all stations that checked in starting from the bottom of the check-in list and working to the top.

When all stations have closed, the NCS will make the following announcement:

"Sussex County ARES would like to thank everyone who checked in, and also thank the Sussex Amateur Radio Association for the use of the repeater this

evening. The next scheduled net will be, [date] at 7:00 PM. We now return the repeater to normal use. This is [CALL SIGN] net control closing the net at [time].

The NCS should maintain a log (ICS Form 309) and report this information to Emergency Coordinator following the net.