

SOUTHEAST HARRIS COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE NET (ARES)

NET PREAMBLE

- GOOD EVENING... This is *(Call)*, *(Name)* the net control operator for this week's Southeast Harris County Amateur Radio Emergency Service net.
- To begin the net tonight, I need to ask for a volunteer to act as a backup net control operator. In case I became unable to finish the net for any reason, the volunteer net control operator would assume my duties for the remainder of the net. Whoever can assume these responsibilities, please call now. *(Acknowledge volunteer and make note of their call and name)*
- This net meets every Tuesday evening at 8:00 PM local time and may be held on various repeaters or simplex frequencies around the Southeast Harris County Area. This is a directed net. All comments, queries and traffic are to be directed to this station unless otherwise advised.
- All licensed amateur radio operators are welcome to check into this net, to join ARES and to participate in any ARES activities. The purpose of this net is to provide practice and training, as well as to promote quality communication skills should they be needed due to any natural or manmade disaster.
- When checking in, please speak slowly, give your call sign phonetically, give your name, location and state whether you have or do not have any traffic for the net. Stations having traffic will be called upon later in the net to present their traffic. Before I begin taking calls from operators wishing to check in, is there any emergency or priority traffic... emergency or priority traffic please call now. *(Acknowledge any calling operator, make note of their call and name, then immediately deal with that traffic)*
- Will the station presenting tonight's training identify by call sign at this time. *(Acknowledge that operator, make note of their call and name, announce that you will call for training at a later time)*
- Will those operators checking in for this session of the Southeast Harris County ARES Net please come one at a time, allow me time to verify that I have that check-in correct, after which I will ask for another check-in. Will tonight's first check in please call now. *(Acknowledge each check-in, make note of their call sign and name, if they have traffic, then ask for another check-in)*
- We will now proceed with tonight's traffic. *(Call for operator(s) having traffic, have them present their traffic, call for any questions or comments regarding traffic, repeat for any additional callers)*

- We will now have tonight's training topic. (*Call for operator having training, have the person present the training, call for any questions or comments regarding training, acknowledge operator calling, make note of their call sign and name, allow the caller to make their comment or question, repeat for any additional callers*)
- Are there any late check-ins for tonight's net? (*Acknowledge each check-in, make note of their call sign and name, if they have traffic, then ask for another check-in*)
- Are there any further questions or comments for tonight's net? (*Acknowledge the operator calling, make note of their call sign and name, the call and name of the operator they wish to question (if any), allow the caller to make their comment or question, repeat for any additional callers*)
- I want to thank all stations who participated in tonight's net and also want to sincerely thank the Trustees of JSC Amateur Radio Club, station W5RRR, for the use of their repeater. This net will meet again next Tuesday night at 8:00 PM local time on this same frequency. I now close the Southeast Harris County ARES net at _____ PM local time and return the repeater to normal amateur service. This is (*Call*), (*Name*), out.