

District 14 ARES[®] Southwest Unit Training Net Script

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Do not use this script in an emergency or drill.
Have a sheet of paper numbered 1-25 (or more if needed) on hand to record stations checking in.
Write your call followed by NC (net control) by number 1.
Speed is important. Accuracy is paramount.

QST, QST, QST. Good evening, and attention all amateur radio stations. This is the District 14 ARES[®] Southwest Unit Training Net. Your Net control Station this evening is _____, my name is _____ and I am located in _____. I will be using the tactical call sign Net Control. This net is currently meeting at twenty hundred local time here on the _____ MHz repeater located in Houston, Texas. The repeater output frequency is _____ MHz and the input is up / down 600. The repeater PL tone is _____. The back-up frequency is _____ up/down 600, PL tone _____.

Is the backup Net Control and training Station on Frequency? Over. _____, _____ (Repeat the name and call sign of the back up station) as back up station is acknowledged. **Write that call sign followed by BNC (back-up net control) on your sheet as number 2.**

If your back up station is not your training station read this: Otherwise go to next paragraph.
Is the training station _____, _____ on frequency for tonight's training? Over. **Put the training station call sign adjacent to the next number on your numbered check in sheet.**

The primary purpose of this training net is to familiarize participating stations with net operating procedures, which would be used in time of emergency and to disseminate information and general training with an end to increasing operating proficiency. This is an ARES[®] net for ARES[®] members. Any listening stations desiring additional information about this net are invited to contact the Net Control Station after the net secures. An opportunity for visitors to check in will be made available at the conclusion of this net.

This is a directed net and stations may not call other stations without first going through net control. Please do not use phonetics when calling Net Control. If I have difficulty copying you I will request phonetics.

(Let the repeater drop here. Don't over ID and remember to ID every ten minutes.)

Are there any stations wishing to check in, and out, at this time that are unable to remain on frequency for the duration of this net? Over **List the call signs of responding stations on your numbered check in sheet as they check in.** Acknowledge: **station call signs, or simply "roger".**

I will now call for ARES[®] officers. Following that roll call I will call for Southwest Harris County ARES[®] members. At the conclusion of the roll call for all ARES members, and after all other NET business has been concluded, I will call for visitor check-ins.

Is the District 14 ARES[®] Southwest Unit EC on frequency and does the EC have anything for the net? Over.

I will now take check-ins from SW Harris County ARES[®] AECs. **Call the following AECs:**

N5CFT, T.J., Ops AEC
WD8RZA, Dave, Digital AEC
WA9YNJ, Mike, Liaison AEC
W5QQ, Del, Planning AEC
KT4FUN, Ineke, Administrative AEC
AE5JY, Kerry, Logistics AEC
KT5BBQ, Charlie, Hospital EmComm Support AEC

List the call signs of responding stations on your numbered sheet as they check in. "Roger" is sufficient acknowledgement.

Are there any Section or other District 14 ARES® officials on frequency? Over

NOTE – Acknowledge and give special recognition to the following if they check in:

K5TW Tom Whiteside (SEC) Section Emergency Coordinator
KE5FGA Jeff Walter (DEC) District Emergency Coordinator
KD5KTX Joe Gadus (PIO) STxSection Public Information Coordinator
KD5KTX Wayne Talley (EC) Northwest
W9ON Allen Shuff (EC) Northeast
AD5CQ George Fletcher (EC) Southeast

List the call signs of responding stations on your numbered sheet as they check in.

Are there any stations with general information announcements for the net? Over.

Acknowledge, and add any responding station call signs to the numbered check in sheet.

I will take remaining SW ARES stations based on call sign suffix in three groups A-J, K-P, Q-Z. When your call sign suffix group is called please listen for a break in responses, transmit your call sign (please no phonetics unless requested), your first name, the general area in which you are located and if you have any information for the net. If you realize you missed your group you may check in any subsequent group. I will now take stations with suffix beginning in A – J. Then K-P etc. List the call signs of responding stations on your numbered check in sheet as they check in and acknowledge at least once for each call sign group. I acknowledge: station call signs. Go to next suffix group and repeat. Don't list anyone twice! Ensure that all three groups are called.

Are there any ARES® member stations wishing to check in that I have not called or acknowledged? Over.

Training should be done at this point.

_____, _____ (Name and call sign of training station) Please go ahead with your training.
Over

After training has been completed.

Are there any Southwest Unit member stations that have not checked in that wish to check in now? Over. List the call signs of responding stations on your numbered check in sheet as they check in and acknowledge. I acknowledge: call, call, call etc.

Are there any visitors that would like to check into this net? Over. **List the call signs of responding stations on your numbered check in sheet as they check in and acknowledge them.** I acknowledge: **call, call, call etc**

Is there anything this station, or the net, can do for anyone before we close the net? Over.

If you are not currently involved in ARES® and you would like to become involved, or you wish to learn more about ARES®, please contact this Net Control Station or Chris Haase, the District 14 ARES Southwest Unit Emergency Coordinator, on this repeater or email him at w5oil@arrl.net. All inquires are welcome.

The District 14 ARES® Southwest Unit Training net for _____ (DATE) will be secured at _____ (TIME), there were _____ (**Number by last call on your sheet =HOW MANY**) check-ins this evening. This is _____ returning the repeater to regular amateur use. Net Control and all participating stations wish to thank the repeater Trustee for allowing the District 14 ARES® Southwest Unit to use the _____ repeater system. 73 to all. This is your Net Control Station, _____ (your call sign), OUT.