



Queens County Amateur Radio Emergency Service
Net Control Script
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QUEENS COUNTY ARES NET SCRIPT

(Five minutes before start of net, please make the following announcement)

Greetings to all stations, this is _____<*your call sign*>, Net Control Station for today's Queens County ARES Net. The net will start promptly at 20:30 and any station needing to make a call is respectfully requested to do so now. This is _____<*your call sign*> standing by.

(At 20:30)

Calling all radio amateurs entitled to use this frequency. This is _____<*your call sign phonetically*>, convening the Queens County ARES Net at this time. My name is _____<*your first name*> and I am acting as Net Control for today's net.

Any station with an actual emergency may break this net at any time by giving their call sign and informing net control they hold such traffic. Control of the frequency will then be turned over to you.

This is a directed net, which means that all contacts should be made through net control, and stations should not secure from the net without advising net control.

The net meets every Wednesday following the Big Apple Traffic net at approximately 20:30 on 145.410 -6khz PL 114.8 and 440.550 +5Mhz PL 141.3 through the generous facilities of K2CJP and KC2LEB. Our members meet on the third Sunday of every month at:

Elmhurst Hospital Center
Room A1-15
79-01 Broadway, Elmhurst, NY

One purpose of today's net is to learn and practice good operating procedure. When relaying messages, please speak slowly and clearly; there is no need to rush.

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We will now proceed with check-ins. When checking in, please call net control by stating my call sign first, _____ <*your call sign*>, release the push to talk button and allow the carrier to drop (release the push to talk button and allow the carrier to drop). Wait until you are certain that no one else is speaking; then check in using the following format:

your call sign, name, location and if you have traffic for the net state the word "traffic".

Net control will then acknowledge all stations before proceeding forward.

(Call for check-ins)

This net is using echolink and a linked repeater system. Before transmitting, please allow time for the links to drop. When transmitting, please allow sufficient time for the links to connect before speaking. We will be performing the roll call on each specific frequency and mode.

(Call each repeater and mode separately. Repeat the following for users on each repeater and mode.) This call up will be for stations on _____

<echolink/KC2LEB/K2CJP/KC2GOW> only, please call net control now.

(After a pause in check-ins)

Net control would like to acknowledge _____ (acknowledge each station by phonetically stating their call sign). Any additional stations wishing to check in to the net on _____ <frequency/mode> please call net control _____ <*your call again phonetically*> now. (Once no more stations are heard, return to the 'call for check-ins' and call for stations on the next frequency/mode until all are covered.)

(Once no more stations are heard)

The net will now proceed with traffic. We will take late check-ins after all traffic has been passed. (Call each station who has traffic in the following format:) _____ <station's *call sign*> please proceed with your traffic (after traffic has been passed, and the machines recycle, thank the station and move on to the next station on the list with traffic).

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(Optional)

We will now proceed with a round-robin discussion period. This is your opportunity to tell us what you have been involved in, such as classes, contests, projects or anything else related to amateur radio or ARES. I will call each station in the order you checked in. If you do not have any traffic, please respond with "no traffic". At this point, operators may go direct with other stations without approval from net control.

(After all traffic and optional discussion)

The net will now take late check-ins. Any station who has not yet checked in please call net control, _____ <your call again phonetically> now.

Net control would like to acknowledge _____ <acknowledge each station by phonetically stating their call sign>.

(Once no more stations are heard)

This is _____ <name, call sign> your Net Control Station for today's Queens Country net, thanking all those on the net for their participation and support. I'd also like to thank those stations that stood by while the net was in session.

We would also like to thank K2CJP, KC2LEB and KC2GOW for the generous use of their facilities.

This net is now closed at _____ <time, in 24 hour format> and the frequency/repeater returned to casual amateur use.

73 to all. This is _____ <your call sign>, clear.

NET CONTROL CHECKLIST

- ✓ A net frequency and when necessary a backup net frequency.
- ✓ If a repeater will be used: permission from a repeater trustee. Written permission, which can include an email, is preferred.
- ✓ Copy of net script or manual
- ✓ Writing implement and paper for logging
- ✓ Copy of log form(s)
- ✓ Perform a signal test on the net frequency
- ✓ Clock or watch for logging the time
- ✓ Backup net control operator
- ✓ Backup radio, battery or power supply
- ✓ Manuals for your equipment