

**THIS IS TO BE USED ONLY IN AN ACTUAL ARES EVENT, NOT A ROUTINE NET.**

**EMERGENCY NET PREAMBLE  
FOR THE  
IREDELL COUNTY  
AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE NET**

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(Net Control Stations must use their own FCC assigned call sign at all times.)

Note: All text in UPPER CASE will be read on the air. All text in [ ] are insert instructions.

**Activation of the ARES EMERGENCY NET:**

**AT THIS IS [my call sign] THE NET CONTROL STATION OPENING THE IREDELL COUNTY  
AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE NET.@**

**AMY NAME IS [my name] AND I AM LOCATED IN [my Town/City], NORTH CAROLINA.@**

**AT THIS TIME THE IREDELL COUNTY ARES NET IS BEING ACTIVATED AT THE REQUEST  
OF THE IREDELL COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES MANAGER AND THE EMERGENCY  
COORDINATOR, EFFECTIVE [ 24 hour local time ] HOURS LOCAL TIME, [day], [year].@**

**AT THIS IS A DIRECTED NET AND UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE THIS REPEATER AND FREQUENCY  
IS CLOSED TO NORMAL AMATEUR USE. ALL STATIONS IN THIS NET MUST REQUEST  
PERMISSION FROM THE NET CONTROL STATION TO CONTACT OTHER STATIONS ON THIS  
REPEATER AND FREQUENCY. STATIONS CHECKING INTO THIS NET ARE REMINDED NOT  
TO LEAVE THE NET UNTIL THEY REQUEST PERMISSION AND ARE RELEASED BY THE NET  
CONTROL STATION.@**

(Repeat the above paragraph as often as necessary during duration of an Emergency or Exercise Net.)

**AIN THE EVENT OF FAILURE OF THIS REPEATER THIS ARES EMERGENCY NET WILL  
OPERATE ON 146 . 685 MEGAHERTZ SIMPLEX UNLESS NOTIFIED DIFFERENTLY."**

(IF this is a PRACTICE EXERCISE make the following announcement and often during the duration of the Net.)

**"THIS IS A PRACTICE EXERCISE FOR TRAINING PURPOSES ONLY."**

(Repeat) **"THIS IS A PRACTICE EXERCISE FOR TRAINING PURPOSES ONLY."**

**AT THIS IS [my call sign] YOUR NET CONTROL STATION.@**

**A ALL STATIONS ARE REMINDED THAT THIS IS NOT A CHITCHAT NET. IF YOU DON'T  
INTEND TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THIS ARES EMERGENCY NET ACTIVITY, DO  
NOT CHECK IN, IT JUST TIES UP AIR TIME AND CLOGS OUR NET LOGS.@**

**AT THIS IS [my call sign] I WILL NOW STANDBY FOR STATIONS TO CHECK IN.  
STATIONS PLEASE GIVE YOUR CALL SIGN, NAME, LOCATION AND IF YOU ARE BASE,  
MOBILE OR PORTABLE WHEN YOU CHECK IN. IF YOU HAVE FORMAL TRAFFIC OR  
ARES ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE NET PLEASE LIST THEM WHEN CHECKING IN."**

(Call for stations to check-in at this time.)

(Make a list of any Traffic and Announcements for the Net )

(Use your **NET MUSTER LOG** to list ARES Net check-ins and keep it up to date as time progresses.)

(Record on **NET MUSTER LOG** and recognize each station in order of check-in.) (ID your station and Net as required by the FCC.)

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(Continue with the following announcements:)

**ALL STATIONS THAT HAVE CHECKED INTO THIS ARES EMERGENCY NET ARE TO REMAIN IN NET UNTIL RELEASED BY THE NET CONTROL STATION.®**

**NET CONTROL WILL NOW RECOGNIZE THOSE STATIONS THAT HAVE FORMAL TRAFFIC.**

(Check your list of stations with Formal Traffic and route it.)

(When all Traffic is moved make the following announcement.)

**“NET CONTROL WILL NOW RECOGNIZE THOSE STATIONS THAT HAVE ARES ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

(Recognize the I. C. EC first.)

(After announcements are completed you may call for more check-ins.)

**DO NOT CHECK INTO THIS ARES NET UNLESS YOU INTEND TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THIS ARES ACTIVITY. ARE THERE ANY ADDITIONAL STATIONS THAT WISH TO CHECK IN AND PARTICIPATE IN THIS ARES EMERGENCY NET ACTIVITY?® PLEASE CALL [my call sign].®**

(Call for additional check-ins.)

(Once the call for additional check-ins is completed make the following announcements.)

**ANY STATION NEEDING TO BE DISMISSED FROM THE NET FOR PERSONAL REASONS MUST FIRST ASK THE NET CONTROL STATION FOR PERMISSION TO LEAVE NET.®**

**ANY STATION THAT CHECKS OUT OF THE NET CAN REJOIN THE NET BY CALLING THE NET CONTROL STATION TO CHECK BACK INTO THE NET.®**

**ALL STATIONS, WE ARE NOW IN AN ACTIVE ALERT STATUS. PLEASE STANDBY FOR FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.®**

(Maintain the Net in an **ACTIVE ALERT STATUS®** until you are officially advised otherwise.)

(Stay ORGANIZED and MAINTAIN CONTROL of the Net until properly relieved.)

(When the Net is moved to a **STANDBY STATUS®** give the Net stations all necessary Instructions clearly and answer all their questions. **Verify that deployed operators have received those Instructions.**)

(FCC requires the Net Control Station to identify all stations in Net with their FCC Assigned call sign. When Net is not busy with traffic ID your Net stations when required.)

(Use the **AARES NET ROSTER®** to list Net stations that are given an assignment.)

(Maintain that **ARES NET ROSTER** by keeping it up to date so you will know where Operators are assigned, their names and call signs.)

Maintain control of Net and Logs. Make assignments as needed.

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## Closing the ARES EMERGENCY NET:

- 1-Make whatever announcement(s) needs to be made.
- 2-Gather important final information.
- 3-Release stations from their assignments and from the Net.  
**VERIFY that deployed operators have received this information.**
- 4-Properly close your ARES Muster Log and ARES Net Roster.
- 5-Make following announcement.

**ATHIS IS [my call sign] YOUR NET CONTROL STATION NOW CLOSING THE AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE NET. NET CONTROL WILL NOW TURN THE REPEATER BACK OVER TO NORMAL AMATEUR RADIO USE AT [ time ] LOCAL HOURS, [month], [day], [year].@**

**“ARES THANKS ICARS FOR THE USE OF ITS REPEATER.”**

**“THIS IS [my call sign] NOW CLEAR.”**

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### Net Control Station relief or replacement:

(Instructions for turning Net Control over to relieving or replacement Net Control Station.)

For continuity the existing NCS will send following information to incoming NCS:

- 1-List of active stations listed on Net Muster Log
- 2-List of assignments, names and call signs listed on Net Roster
- 3-Any special instructions and constructive advice

This can be accomplished on the radio or other verifiable means.

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### Liaison Station(s) Information:

Iredell County FM ARES Net Liaison Station Assignment: (Requires two 2-meter FM **stationary transceivers and two stationary antennas**)

**1-**When assigned this 2-Meter FM Liaison Station will establish and maintain communications with the Mecklenburg County ARES FM Net on one of the following repeater pairs: **146.94 -600**, 145.29 -600, or 145.23 -600 for **W4BFB**. 146.580 ARES Simplex for **W4BFB**. **146.06 -600** for **W4CQ**.

**2-**This FM ARES Liaison Station must remain in the Iredell County ARES Net.

**3-**This station must be able to send and receive two-way Formal and Tactical Messages without hesitation.

The FM Liaison Station **must not** leave the local ARES Net until properly relieved.

More than one FM Liaison Station may be assigned as needed.

All ARES Stations are **required to keep a record** of messages handled.

Iredell County ARES HF-SSB Liaison Station Assignment: (Requires one **stationary HF-SSB transceiver with antenna and one stationary 2-meter FM transceiver with antenna**)

**1-**When assigned this HF-SSB Station will operate from a **location other than** the Iredell County EOC. This station, when assigned, will check into one of the NC ARES Net frequencies on 3923, 3927 or 7232 kHz **and establish a link to the** NC State EOC located in Raleigh, NC.

**2-**This HF Liaison Station must remain in the Iredell County 2-meter FM ARES Net.

**3-**This station must be able to send and receive two-way Formal and Tactical Messages without hesitation.

The HF Liaison Station **must not** leave the local FM ARES Net until properly relieved.

More than one HF-SSB Liaison Station may be assigned as needed.

All ARES Stations are **required to keep a record** of messages handled.

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