

# Skywarn Preamble Net Control Guidelines

## Monroe County Amateur Radio Emergency Services

### PREAMBLE

QST, QST, QST ALL STATIONS: This is (your call sign, name and location) your Net Control Station for the Monroe County Skywarn Net. ( **REMINDE OPERATORS TO** ) – PLEASE USE SAFE OPERATING PRACTICES AT ALL TIMES-e.g. lightning around you disconnect until it passes, DO NOT CHASE WEATHER to report!

The Net is now placed in: (Read and see description below) \*\*\* I ask any station that checks in, should you have to secure your station, please notify Net Control with the request, call sign, name and location. Please be recognized by Net Control before leaving your station.

### STANDBY STATUS:

Severe weather is possible in the area. Amateurs should watch for signs of severe weather and monitor the 145.250, with a -0.6 offset and a tone of 100- or the linked-145.270 with a -0.6 offset and a 127.3 tone repeaters for further updates, please keep in mind these repeater are linked, before speaking wait a few seconds for the repeaters to connect. Normal activity on this repeater is allowed, however, stations should keep all transmissions short to allow for break-ins. This is (your call and name), Net control, monitoring. \*\*\* see above note under preamble

### ACTIVE STATUS:

Severe weather is (present or imminent) in this area. Amateurs are asked to actively search for signs of severe weather and provide appropriate reports to Net Control> This is a directed net and all stations are asked to transmit only when recognized by Net Control. Only stations with legitimate severe weather reports, or emergency traffic should break into this net.

The only reports to be made are reports of Tornadoes on the Ground, funnel cloud formation, wall cloud, hail of any size, winds over 35mph or greater “measured”, flooding and other actual storm damage (OR REPORTS AS DIRECTED BY THE NWS) Reports not meeting these criteria should not be passed unless specifically requested by Net Control. Should you question the nature of what you are seeing as maybe passable, Inform Net Control. This is (your call and name), Net Control Monitoring. \*\*\* see above note under preamble

### EMERGENCY STATUS:

A STATE OF EMERGENCY EXISTS IN THE AREA DUE TO (STATE THE NATURE OF THE ACTUAL EMERGENCY, I.E., TORNADO TOUCH DOWN, RIVER FLOODING, TREES DOWN) THIS IS A DIRECTED NET. NET CONTROL HAS ABSOLUTE CONTROL OF THE NET. TRANSMISSION ON THE REPEATERS ARE PROHIBITED, UNLESS MADE IN RESPONSE TO A CALL BY NET CONTROL, OR HAVING LIFE OR DEATH URGENCY. ALL AMATEURS SHOULD MONITOR THE REPEATERS FOR ADDITIONAL INSTRUCTION. THIS IS (your call and name) \*\*\*see above note under preamble

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**CONTINUITY ANNOUNCEMENT** (READ EVERY 10 MINUTES) QST, QST, QST, ATTENTION ALL STATIONS. THIS IS (your call and name) NET CONTROL FOR THE MONROE COUNTY ARES SKYWARN NET. A SEVER WEATHER NET IS IN (SEE ABOVE STATUS) AT THIS TIME. (READ DESCRIPTION OF STATUS ABOVE)

(TO SECURE THE NET)

QST, QST, QST ALL STATIONS: This is (your call and name), Net Control Station for the Monroe County AERS Skywarn Net. We wish to thank all stations for their participation in the Severe Weather Net and the owners of the 145.250 Steve W4YJ and Eric KK4DKW for the use of the repeaters. This help is greatly appreciated. This Net is secure at (time) hours local time. This is (your call and name) returning the repeater to normal operation.

*GENERAL INFORMATION:*

*REMINDE OPERATORS TO USE SAFE OPERATING PRACTICES AT ALL TIMES*

*READ ACTUAL NEW BULLETIN OF EVENT IF AVAILABLE*

*MATAIN LOG OF ALL EVENTS/TRANSMISSIONS INCLUDING TIME, DAE, LOCATION AND STATION REPORTING-ICS 204, 214 OR EQUIVALENT*

*FORWARD REPORTS TO THE NET CONTROL STATION VIA E MAIL @ (your e mail address)*