

Central Texas Amateur Radio Net Script

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***** BOLD FACE TYPE IS SPOKEN SCRIPT *****

FOLLOWING THIS SCRIPT WILL MAKE THE NET RUN SMOOTHER AND FASTER

REMEMBER TO GIVE YOUR CALL SIGN AT LEAST EVERY 10 MINUTES

About 10 minutes before the start of the net, make contact with the scheduled net control back-up. If the scheduled net control backup is not available, you can request that someone else act as the back-up. Early contact will allow you to check your radio and the repeater. The early contact will also allow you time to monitor for any emergency or priority traffic that might be on frequency and move the net to the backup frequency or cancel the net, if needed.

(Thanks to the Williamson county ARES group for the basic script)

- **CQ, CQ, CQ - for the Central Texas Amateur Radio Net.**
- **This is _____ (name & call sign), net control station for this evening.**
- **At this time, I recognize _____ (call sign of your backup) as my backup net control station. (If you do not have a backup, ask) Is there another net control on frequency to be my backup? (Pause, then say) I recognize _____ (call sign) as my backup.**
- **The Central Texas Amateur Radio Net is sponsored by the Central Texas Amateur Radio club and is open to all amateur radio operators in the coverage area of the 147.140, pl 123 repeater (very important to give pl tone).**
- **The purpose of this net is to provide the opportunity for members to receive information and training for emergency communications. This will help them better respond when regular communications fail or become inadequate during natural or man-made disasters.**
- **This net is scheduled each Thursday night at 8:00 P. M., local time on the 147.14 Eddy repeater, tone of 123.0 Hz. The 145.31 repeater is used as a backup, also with a tone of 123.0 Hz.**
- **This is a directed net.**

- **Net check-ins will be taken in alphabetical order by county groups in the prime coverage area, and then an invitation will be extended to all others. After all check-ins are complete, time permitting, the net will be declared informal for comments from all stations.**
- **When checking into the net, please give your call sign using ITU phonetics, your name and your nearest town or county. If you cannot remain on the net during the informal session please add 'short time' after your call. The net control station will repeat calls heard to confirm your check-in. I will now check in:**
 1. **Stations from Bell, Bosque and Burnet Counties.** (*acknowledge stations :)*)
 2. **Stations from Coryell, Erath and Falls Counties.** (*acknowledge stations*)
 3. **Stations from Hamilton, Hill and Lampasas Counties.** (*acknowledge stations :)*)
 4. **Stations from Limestone, McLennan and Milam Counties.** (*acknowledge stations :)*)
 5. **Stations from Robertson, Travis and Williamson Counties.** (*acknowledge stations :)*)
 6. **We will now take late check-ins and from any county not called.** (*Acknowledge stations :)*
(Acknowledge stations at convenient breaks, and check for any corrections, and then continue with check-ins.) (Be sure to give your call when convenient or as required.)
 7. **I would like to extend a welcome to any first time stations and invite you to join us again next week.**
 8. **Are there any announcements about upcoming amateur radio events? Give your call sign now** (*now call those stations with announcements.*)
The thirty minute criteria below needs to be discussed as to whether we want to use it or not... JBD...
 9. **If the net has run 30 minutes or less, announce: all short time stations may now leave the net, thanks for checking in. I am now declaring the net informal and I will be asking each station for informal comments.** (*At the conclusion of informal comments, go to step 11 to close the net.*)

10. If the net has run over 30 minutes, announce: **we will not have the informal comments portion of the net this evening but everyone is encouraged to make their contacts after the net is closed. If any station has additional announcements, please recheck with you call.** (Call stations with announcements, then go to step 11.)

11. Do we have any last minute check-ins? (*Acknowledge stations* :)

(Net closing :)

12. This is (call sign) _____ closing the Central Texas Amateur Radio Net at _____ local time and returning this repeater to regular amateur use.

(Check with the backup up net control and compare counts.)