

Skywarn Preamble Net Control Guidelines

SKYWARN NET GUIDELINES

PREAMBLE:

ATTENTION ALL STATIONS. ATTENTION ALL STATIONS. This is (your Callsign, Name, Location), your Net Control Station for the DeKalb County Indiana SKYWARN Net. The DEKalb County Indiana SKYWARN Net is now placed in (See Below) STATUS. (Read a description of Status below)

Event reports should include **Time** of the event and duration of the event, **Event type** and **Location** of the observed event. Remember your safety is of primary importance!

STANDBY STATUS: Severe weather is possible in the area. Amateurs should watch for signs of severe weather and monitor the 147.015repeater for further updates (The PL Tone if on is ___none___). Normal activity on this repeater is allowed, however, stations should keep all transmissions short to allow for break-ins.This is (your call sign), Net Control, out.

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 clouds, wall clouds, hail (any size), sustained winds 40 mph or greater and/or wind gusts over 58 mph, 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. This is (your call sign), Net Control out.

EMERGENCY STATUS: A state of emergency exist in the area due to (State nature of actual emergency, i.e., Tornado touch down, River flooding, etc.,). This a directed net. Net Control has ABSOLUTE CONTROL of the net. Transmissions on the repeater are PROHIBITED, unless made in response to a call by Net Control, or having life or death urgency. All Amateurs should monitor the repeater for additional instructions. This is (your call sign), Net Control out.

CONTINUITY ANNOUNCEMENT (Read at least every 10 mites) ATTENTION ALL STATIONS. ATTENTION ALL STATIONS. This is (your Callsign, Name, Location), Net Control Station for The DeKalb County Indiana SKYWARN Net. A severe weather net is in (See Above) Status at this time.

(Read a description of Status above)

TO SECURE THE NET:

ATTENTION ALL STATIONS. ATTENTION ALL STATIONS. This is (your call sign), Net Control Station for the DeKalb County Indiana SKYWARN Net. We wish to thank all stations for their participation in this SevereWeather Net and the owner of the 147.015MHz Repeater. The help is greatly appreciated. This net is secure at (time) local time. This is (your call sign) out.

General Information:

- .. Remind operators to use Safe Operating Practices at all times
- .. Read actual NWS bulletin of event if available
- .. Maintain log of all events including time, date, location and station reporting
- .. Forward reports to the Indiana NWS on 1-800-668-3344 or via amateur radio if phones are out

***Please print a copy of this preamble for you records. For additional information concerning**

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