



Cuyahoga County Amateur Radio Emergency Service® Monthly Net Script

This script is intended to serve as a guideline for the operation of the Semi-monthly Cuyahoga County ARES® nets.

The basic purpose of the nets is to communicate ARES® activities and happenings, and to give those interested in ARES® some experience in participating in a formal net environment in a variety of roles.

A basic outline is on the next page. An example of how the outline can be expanded into a formal script follows. At the end of this document is a “log” you can use to keep track of those who check in. If you’d prefer, feel free to develop your own script or form.

A summary of participation should be prepared and forwarded to District 10 ARES® for inclusion in the statewide report.

None of this is cast in concrete. Each Net Control station should tailor the outline to their own needs or style and/or the current situation.

Comments, suggestions, etc. will be gratefully be accepted. If you have any ideas, please let me know. There are no dumb questions.

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OUTLINE

1. Opening the Net
 - a. Introduce yourself
 - b. Purpose
 - c. Net Format
 - d. Emergency/priority traffic
 - e. Auxiliary Net Control

2. Taking Check-Ins
 - a. Handling/avoiding pile-ups
 - b. Breakdown by category groups
 - c. Just callsign at first
 - d. Respond to each in turn, getting full info

3. Announcements, Traffic, and Questions
 - a. ARES® Officials first.
 - b. Go down the list of who has something to say/pass

4. Wrap-Up
 - a. Next Meeting
 - b. Next Net

5. Closing the Net
 - a. Thanks to Repeater operators
 - b. Thanks to all who participated (count?)

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Good evening – Welcome to the Cuyahoga County Amateur Radio Emergency Service net. This is <insert your call> (*give plain and phonetically*). My name is <insert your name> and I will be serving as net control this evening.

The Cuyahoga County ARES® net is held at 8:00 p.m. on the first and third Tuesday of each month here on the 145.410 repeater. To access this repeater, a PL tone of 110.9 Hz is required. Please make sure that you have PL turned on in your radio.

-----BREAK-----

For those of you who prefer, you can access the repeater system by using one of the following links:

On the 220 band, you can access the repeater on 224.480 MHz – Use a PL of 141.3 (I'll repeat these in a second, so grab a pencil).

On the 440 band, you can access the repeater on 442.225 MHz – Use a PL of 131.8

And finally, for those of you who like really high frequencies, you can try the input on 927.6125 MHz using a PL of 131.8

Repeating, the link frequencies are	224.480 MHz, PL 141.3
	442.225 MHz, PL 131.8
and	927.6125 MHz, PL also 131.8

Please note – the 927.6125 repeater has been having some technical difficulties and may not be linked.

-----BREAK-----

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The purpose of this net is to practice operations, encourage interest, and provide information about the Amateur Radio Emergency Service® in Cuyahoga County. The ARES® offers emergency communications services to public service and governmental agencies during potential and/or actual disasters of any kind.

This will be a directed net. Please address all transmissions to net control. As always, Priority or Emergency transmissions will take precedence and will be handled immediately. If you have Priority or Emergency traffic, please announce that fact during any of the many pauses in the net operation by stating your Callsign and the word PRIORITY or EMERGENCY as the case may be.

-----BREAK-----

All amateurs are welcome to participate in this net. You do not have to be a member of ARES®. ARES® is not affiliated with any specific local club or clubs and is under the direction of the ARRL appointed county Emergency Coordinator, Eric, N8AUC.

The format for this net will be to take check-ins from any hams interested in ARES®, to disseminate any announcements or information of general interest to those individuals, and to respond to any questions that listeners might have about the ARES® in Cuyahoga County.

At this time I'll pause for any station that would be available to serve as Auxiliary Net Control this evening. If you have a copy of our regular net script and would be willing to serve as Auxiliary Net Control, please call now.

-----PAUSE FOR RESPONSE(S)-----

_____ will be Auxiliary Net Control, thanks _____.

At this time, I will begin taking check-ins. In order to check in, first please give just your entire callsign, followed by your callsign phonetically. I'll get additional information on a follow-up transmission.

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First, anyone with emergency, priority or time-valued traffic please call <mycallsign>, Net Control now.

-----Pause-----

Go down the list of those who check in. Acknowledge each one and ask them to provide:

- *Name and Callsign*
- *Location (if mobile, indicate that and also give your home QTH)*
- *ARES Role (if any)*
- *Do you have announcements or traffic for the net (yes/no only at this time)*
- *Can you hold your traffic?*

I will now take check-ins from any stations operating on emergency power. Any such check-ins please call <mycallsign>, Net Control at this time with your callsign, followed by your callsign phonetically.

-----Pause-----

Any mobiles or low power stations wishing to check-in call <mycallsign> Net Control with your callsign , followed by your callsign phonetically.

-----Pause-----

I will now take regular check-ins. When you check in, please give only your callsign, followed by your callsign phonetically, until you are specifically recognized.

-----Pause-----

Are there check-ins from anyone else? When you check in, please give only your callsign, followed by your callsign phonetically, until you are recognized.

-----Pause-----

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I have requests for traffic from several of you. First, I will take announcements from local ARES officials.

- Eric N8AUC – County Emergency Coordinator – do you have any announcements?
- Matt W8DEC – District 10 DEC – do you have any announcements?
- Tom KA8BZB – Assistant EC for Operations – do you have any announcements?
- Bill AC8CO – Assistant EC for Administration & Training – do you have any announcements?
- David AD8WS – Assistant EC for Public Relations – do you have any announcements?

-----BREAK-----

Any late check-ins please call <mycallsign>, Net Control. when you check in, please give only your callsign, followed by your callsign phonetically, until you are recognized

-----Pause-----

Are there any other stations with traffic, announcements, or questions regarding ARES?

-----Pause-----

Are there any stations with general comments or other remarks?

-----Pause-----

If there are no further check-ins we will now close by saying thanks to all for checking in.

We wish to thank KB8WLW and KB8RST for the use of this repeater.

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I show that we had a total of _____ stations participating in the net this evening, including myself. I'd like to thank you all for your participation.

A reminder that next net will be held on _____ at 8 p.m. Please join us at that time.

Also, the next regular meeting of the Cuyahoga County ARES will be held on [SUNDAY] _____ at [2 p.m.] _____
The location for the meeting will be:

_____.

The net is now secured and the repeater is returned to normal amateur use. Good evening all.



CHECK-IN LOG

#	Callsign	Name	Location	Power (✓)		
				Low	Emer	
1						
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CHECK-IN LOG

#	Callsign	Name	Location	Power (✓)		
				Low	Emer	
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CHECK-IN LOG

#	Callsign	Name	Location	Power (✓)	
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