



DUPAGE COUNTY EMCOMM NET SCRIPT

Attention all amateur radio stations monitoring this frequency! The current time is 8:00 P.M. and this is the DuPage County Emcomm Net facilitated by the DuPage County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES). We would like to thank the members of the DuPage Amateur Radio Club's (DARC) severe weather net for supporting this initiative by integrating their net here tonight.

This is (Call Sign) and my name is (First Name) located in (City). I will be the Net Control Station (NCS) for this evening's net. This is a directed net, so please address all communications to the Net Control Station. This net will employ both a check-in and check-out procedure.

We will pause now in the event that there is any station with emergency traffic. If so, please identify yourself now and state the nature of your emergency. This is (Call Sign), Net Control Station (NCS) for the DuPage County Emcomm Net.

PAUSE FOR URGENT OR EMERGENCY TRAFFIC

The DuPage County Emcomm Net is scheduled to meet on the first and third Tuesday of each month at 8:00 P.M. on the W9DUP 2-meter repeater on frequency 145.43 MHz with a (-600 KHz) offset and a PL of 107.2. We would like to acknowledge the DuPage Amateur Radio Club (DARC) for hosting this net on their repeater.

The DuPage County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) facilitates this net for the purpose of promoting and providing training in emergency communications and related activities for licensed amateur radio operators in DuPage County who are willing to volunteer their

qualifications and equipment in the public interest should a communications emergency or disaster occur.

Any amateur station is welcome to check in to this net even if you are not currently a member of the DuPage County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES).

When checking-in, please call the Net Control Station (NCS) and wait for the repeater courtesy tone. Then give your call sign, slowly and phonetically, your name, location, whether you are mobile or base, whether you are affiliated with the DuPage County ARES, DuPage Amateur Radio Club Skywarn or other group, whether you have mobile APRS capabilities, whether you have emergency power capabilities, whether you are a trained weather spotter and whether you have traffic for the net.

We will begin by accepting check-ins from mobile, low power or short time stations. You will be both checked into and out of the net at this time, although we encourage you to participate in the entire net. Any mobile, low power or short time stations wishing to participate in tonight's net please call the Net Control Station (NCS) at this time.

ACCEPT AND LOG SHORT-TIME OR MOBILE CHECK-INS

We are now ready to accept check-ins from current DuPage County Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) team members. Any current DuPage County ARES team members wishing to participate in tonight's net please call the Net Control Station (NCS) at this time.

ACCEPT AND LOG CURRENT DUPAGE COUNTY ARES TEAM MEMBERS CHECK-INS

We are now ready for general check-ins from any amateur radio operators. Any amateur radio operator wishing to participate in tonight's net please call the Net Control Station (NCS) at this time.

ACCEPT GENERAL CHECK-INS

We will begin tonight's training net with general announcements of interest to DuPage County amateur radio operators interested in emergency communications and related activities.

READ ALL GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

(DATE AND TIME OF NEXT DUPAGE COUNTY ARES MEETING)

(DATE AND TIME OF NEXT DUPAGE EMCOMM NET)

(DATE AND TIME OF NEXT DARC SEVERE WEATHER TRAINING NET)

(DATE AND TIME OF NEXT DUPAGE COUNTY OEM NET)

(DATE AND TIME OF OTHER EVENTS FROM DUPAGE COUNTY ARES MEMBERS CALENDAR)

We will now continue this evening's net with those stations who indicated that they had traffic to pass.

RECOGNIZE STATIONS INDICATING THAT THEY HAD TRAFFIC FOR THE NET

We will now continue this evening's net with the scheduled training topic.

READ SCHEDULED TRAINING TOPIC

We will now proceed with the DuPage Amateur Radio Club (DARC) Severe Weather Net portion of the DuPage County Emcomm Net.

Attention all amateur radio stations on this net, this is DuPage Amateur Radio Club station, W9DUP, calling to order the severe weather training portion of tonight's net. The Net Control Station (NCS) is (**Call Sign**) and my name is (**First Name**) located in (**City**).

This training net meets in concert with the DuPage County Emcomm Net on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, at 8 P.M. during the months of February through August and on the 1st Tuesday during the months of January, September, October, November and December.

This net may be activated anytime there is an imminent threat of severe weather in the Du Page County area. This will take precedence over any other Net and be involved in passing information to and from the National Weather Service Office in Romeoville.

The current hazardous weather outlook is:

READ THE LATEST NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE SEVERE WEATHER SUMMARY AT

www.crh.noaa.gov/hazards/lot

During severe weather net activations, all stations should monitor the 2M primary repeater, as well as the DARC [442.550 MHz (+) PL 114.8] repeater. Should the primary repeater go off the air, the Net Control will announce (on the backup frequency) that the net will continue on the backup repeater. Should both the primary and the secondary repeaters fail, check-ins should then tune to the N9ATO [443.900 MHz (+) PL 114.8] repeater. In the event the Net Control Station goes down, the Net Administrator will pick-up and run the net.

Severe Weather Reports are sightings of:

- Hail (report pea size, only if you can confirm “substantial ground coverage”)
- Heavy damaging winds (damage: structures, trees, downed wires, streets blocked)
- Flooding (standing water traceable back to waterways out of their banks, flooded intersections due to inadequate drainage should be reported to local Public Works)
- Flash flooding (of any volume, provide speed, depth and direction estimates)
- Storm rotation (using mid-level storm clues if distance precludes observation)
- Wall Clouds (rotating or otherwise)
- Funnel Clouds (estimate distance to the ground, if possible)
- Tornadoes (tornadoes are by definition “on-the-ground”)

Reports not meeting any of these criteria should not be sent, unless specifically requested by Net Control.

All legitimate severe weather reports should contain:

- TIME OF EVENT
- LOCATION
- THE ACTUAL EVENT

Time: is the time you observed the event. If you didn't see it, don't report it as such.

Location: is the exact location of the event. Use street names, cross-streets, highway numbers, mile-markers anything that can be pinpointed on a map. Also give the city or town and the county.

Event: is the severe weather situation that is taking place. It must fit one of the criteria mentioned.

This evening's severe weather training topic to follow – **Call Sign** please pass your traffic.

Does any one have any traffic, questions or comments for the DuPage Amateur Radio Club (DARC) Severe Weather Training Net?

With no additional traffic, questions or comments, I will close the DuPage Amateur Radio Club (DARC) Severe Weather Net portion of the DuPage County Emcomm Net and return control to **Call Sign**.

The DuPage County Emcomm Net is now ready to accept any late check-ins. Any late check-ins wishing to participate in tonight's net please call the Net Control Station (NCS) at this time.

ACCEPT LATE CHECK-INS

For further information on the DuPage County Emcomm Net or the DuPage County Amateur Radio Emergency Service, please visit our website at www.dupageares.org.

We will now conclude this evening's net with a roll call check-out procedure utilizing only your call sign. When you hear your call sign called by the Net Control Station (NCS), please acknowledge by repeating your call sign back.

CONDUCT ROLL CALL CHECK-OUT

We will now conclude the DuPage County Emcomm Net and release this frequency and the W9DUP 2-meter repeater back to regular amateur radio use. We wish to thank all other amateur radio stations for their cooperation in leaving the frequency clear during this evening's net, and

we would again like to thank the DuPage Amateur Radio Club (DARC) for the use of their repeater.

There being no further scheduled traffic for this evening's net, this is (**Call Sign**), Net Control Station (NCS) for the DuPage County Emcomm Net.