

# Severe Weather Net Activation Script

Attention all amateurs, this is the DuPage Amateur Radio Club Station, W9DUP, calling to order a "Severe Weather and Emergency Net". Net Control today is (Your Call); my name is \_\_\_\_\_ and I am located in (Your Town).

This Net will be involved in passing information to and from the National Weather Service (NWS) Office in Romeoville.

Should this repeater fail and go off the air, all check-ins should tune to the DARC [442.550 MHz (+) PL 114.8] repeater. Should both the primary and the secondary repeaters fail, check-ins should then tune to 145.43 MHz simplex. In the event the Net Control Station goes down, the Net Administrator will pick-up and run the remainder of the net.

Severe Weather Reports are sightings of:

- Hail of any size
- Heavy damaging winds
- Flash flooding
- Wall Cloud
- Funnel Cloud
- Tornado
- Heavy rains

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 the event
- Location
- The actual event

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

Location: is the exact location of the event. Use street names or highway numbers, which 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. Reports involving wind speed/direction, hail size, etc. should be reported as "estimated" or "measured."

The current situation is:

*Read the National Weather Services' latest bulletin or state the current Watch/Warning condition (e.g., "a Severe Thunderstorm, Tornado Watch or Warning").*

This is a directed Net, all check-ins and communications need to go through the Net Control Station. All stations, with or without traffic are invited to check-in. Since this Net is related to public safety, we ask that you remain on frequency as long as you can. Notify Net Control when you are leaving the frequency or changing your location. There will be a check-out at the conclusion of the Net.

When checking-in, please call W9DUP and wait for the reset tone. Then give only your call, slowly and phonetically. After the Net Control acknowledges you, please respond with the following information: your name, location, if you're a trained WX spotter, if you're Base (do you have emergency power?), if you're Mobile or Portable (are you APRS equipped?) and do you have traffic for the Net.

Anyone with severe WX or emergency traffic please call now.

Anyone else wishing to check in, please call now.

*Assign a Net Administrator from the combination of the trained NCS and current check-in lists*

\_\_\_\_\_, can you be our Net Administrator and liaison to WX9LOT?

Please check-in to (*Liaison Repeater*) and inform WX9LOT that we currently have a WX net up.

Any more check-ins to the WX net, please call now.

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The **watch** or **warning** is over, so at this time the Net will now go to **stand by** or **shut down**. (*Do a roll call from the check-in list.*) Please respond by only giving your call after I give your call.