



Heart of TN. A. R. E. S., Inc.



Rutherford County Emergency Management Support Net Preamble

Calling all radio amateurs, calling all radio amateurs, Calling the Heart of TN.
Amateur Radio Emergency Service® Net.

This is <call sign phonetically>, <name>, your Net Control Station. This net is being activated under Net Condition <give net condition as prescribed by the activating ARES representative> at the request of Rutherford County Emergency Management. Please review the Rutherford County Operations Plan (OPLAN-100) for instructions relative to activation of this net in support of Rutherford County EMA.

This is a directed net. Please do not transmit unless directed to do so by Net Control. If you must leave the net for any reason, please request to secure from net control.

If you need to pass emergency traffic, please do not hesitate to notify Net Control by calling **BREAK-BREAK**. This net is open to responding Amateur Radio Emergency Service members and others designated by the Net Control. Further instructions will be provided as resources are required.

Tactical or formal communications will be used as appropriate during this net. Tactical call signs will be used as prescribed in the Operations Plan. Review precedent descriptions in the Net Operations SOG to correctly define the precedence of formal traffic to expedite traffic handling. If possible, use ARL numbered radiograms to minimize handling time.

If Condition Code Charlie, Bravo or Alpha:

Rutherford County Emergency Management has requested supplemental communications due to <BRIEF reason for activations>.

Please do not transmit unless you are initially entering a location into the net, you have traffic that must be passed in support of this emergency, or as directed by the NCS.

“Is there a Heart of Tennessee ARES station that will be available as secondary or backup net control for the net?” Please call <call sign>.

Please state the quantity, precedence and destination of the traffic that must be passed when listing traffic.



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(If liaison station(s) is required) Is there anyone on frequency who can act as liaison to the <list liaison requirements>? Please call <call sign>.

If Condition Code Delta:

Please do not transmit unless directed to do so by Net Control. Any emergency traffic will be handled with top priority during this net. We break now for emergency traffic.

Emergency traffic only, please call <call sign>.

"Is there a Heart of Tennessee ARES station that will be available as secondary or backup net control for the net?" Please call <call sign>.

(If no response, designate first check-in to act as ANCS if not mobile or in a key assignment category as defined in The Plan.)

(If applicable) Is there anyone on frequency who can serve as liaison with <indicate required liaisons>? Please call <call sign>.

At this time we will take HOTARES® member check-ins. Check in by giving your call sign phonetically, and location. Please call <call sign>.

Periodic Announcement:

This is <name>, <call sign phonetically>, Net Control Station. This net is operating under Condition Code <Alpha, Bravo, Charlie or Delta> in response to an emergency declared by Rutherford County Emergency Management.

Please review applicable Rutherford ARES® Operations Plans and SOGs for operational information. (If Condition Code Delta, add:) At this time we will take check-ins from HOTARES® members. Check in by giving your call sign phonetically, and location. Please call <call sign>.

Net Closing:

At this time, we would like to take general check-ins of stations present that have not previously identified themselves. Please check in by giving your call sign phonetically, name and location. Please call <call sign>.

After all check-ins are complete:

I'd like to thank everyone who participated in this emergency net. This concludes this emergency activation of the HOTARES® net in support of Rutherford County

"Serving the Community and Our Fellow Citizens through Amateur Radio Communications"



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Emergency Management. We wish to thank the W4CAT/KB4ZOE Repeater Group for the use of the repeater during this emergency. This is <call sign> closing the net at <time> hours local. You may secure your stations. The repeater is returned to normal operation.