RI ARES VHF Net Preamble

(check for any emergency traffic about 1 or 2 minutes prior to calling the net)

This is (call sign) checking for any emergency traffic on this repeater network. There is an upcoming net and if you have emergency traffic please come now.

Preamble

Calling the Rhode Island ARES VHF Net.

This is the Rhode Island Amateur Radio Emergency Service VHF Net for tonight, (day, date). I am (name), (call sign), located in (your location) and I will be net control station for this evening's net.

Our mission is to develop and maintain an appropriately trained pool of Amateur radio operators who are available and qualified to provide emergency communications support to any incident response agency requiring those services and to the people of RI in times of need. RI ARES maintains a website at **www.riares.org** for members, and a Facebook Group at **www.facebook.com/groups/riares** .

This is a directed net and will always break for any incoming emergency traffic. Although intended as a practice net, any amateur radio operator is welcome to check in.

This net is held every 2rd, 4th, and if there is one, 5th Tuesday of the month, here on this repeater network, at 7pm, 1900 hours local time. This net shares this time slot with the OSECA Net on alternate Tuesdays. For the frequencies of the repeaters on this linked system, please check KA1RCI.net or your repeater directory for KA1RCI/NB1RI repeaters.

Practice drills or knowledge questions will be asked of the group and announced at the beginning of each net.

 Check-ins will be taken from mobile stations first, then from fixed and portable stations. When checking in, please say "This is", then un-key your mic [un-key to illustrate and wait for beep] to check for doubling. Please check in with your call sign given phonetically, your name, and your location. Please note that this is a linked repeater system: In order for all the repeaters to be able to repeat your full transmission, please allow a one second pause between the time you key your mic and the time you begin speaking.

Mobile Stations wishing to check in please come with your call sign, name and location, now:

(listen for check-ins and write down names and call signs)

Fixed or Portable stations wishing to Check-in please come with your call sign, location, and name, now:

(Describe drill or announce knowledge quiestion)

Closing the net

(check for late checkins or additional comments)

We would like to thank all participants for joining this net, and thanks to all who stood by while the net was in session. The next RI ARES Net will be held at 7pm, 1900 hours, on (Date of Next Net). The Rhode Island ARES organization would like to thank the builder of this network, Steve Hodell, SK, the owner, Sandy Hodell KA1RXB, and the trustees of this repeater network for its use and maintenance. We look forward to our next net. This net is closed at (time) and this network is returned to normal amateur use. This is (call sign), goodnight. Out.