

Tac Comm Practice Exercise – 3/19/2024

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3 Introduction: this is a practice exercise to demonstrate basic tactical communication
4 procedure. In tactical communications, or Tac Comm, you identify on the air by your
5 tactical call sign, assigned in advance by the event manager or the net control station.
6 To comply with FCC amateur radio regulations, you must also identify by your FCC call
7 sign at the end of each continuous series of transmissions.

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9 Here are the tactical call signs and assignments for this exercise:

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11 Net Control Station (NCS): _____ (Enter amateur call signs on all blank lines.)
12 Shelton: _____
13 Sag6: _____
14 Farmington: _____
15 Flood: _____
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17 To begin, make an announcement on the repeater that the following exchanges are
18 exercise traffic only.
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23 [Shelton] NET CONTROL FROM SHELTON.

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25 [NCS] SHELTON FROM NET CONTROL, GO AHEAD.

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27 [Shelton] SHELTON IS NOW MANNED WITH TWO OPERATORS.

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29 [NCS] ROGER, TWO OPERATORS AT SHELTON. NET CONTROL
30 CLEAR. _____.

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32 [Shelton] SHELTON CLEAR, _____.

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34 [The following is sent some time later.]

35
36 [Shelton] NET CONTROL FROM SHELTON.

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38 [NCS] SHELTON, NET CONTROL, GO AHEAD.

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40 [Shelton] BE ADVISED THAT WATERSTOP'S PRIMARY RADIO IS DOWN
41 TEMPORARILY BUT WE HAVE CONTACT WITH THEM ON THE
42 SIMPLEX CHANNEL AND CAN RELAY AS NECESSARY.

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44 [NCS] ROGER, THANK YOU. NET CONTROL CLEAR, _____.

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46 [Shelton] SHELTON CLEAR, _____.

47
48 [Farmington] NET CONTROL FROM FARMINGTON.
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50 [NCS] GO AHEAD FARMINGTON.
51
52 [Farmington] SAG 1 ADVISES THE COURSE BETWEEN START-FINISH AND
53 FARMINGTON IS CLEAR OF ALL RIDERS. THE LAST RIDER
54 LEFT HERE 10 MINUTES AGO.
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56 [NCS] ROGER, INFORM THE FARMINGTON REST STOP CREW TO
57 SECURE AND TAKE REMAINING SUPPLIES TO THE SHELTON
58 REST STOP. I WILL THEN NEED YOU TO RE-DEPLOY TO A
59 NEW LOCATION.
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61 [Farmington] ROGER, THE FARMINGTON REST STOP CREW COPIES AND
62 WILL COMPLY. WHAT IS THE NEW LOCATION?
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64 [NCS] PROCEED TO THE MAP LOCATION MARKED "FLOOD." CALL
65 NET CONTROL UPON ARRIVAL AND ASSUME THAT TACTICAL
66 CALL SIGN.
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68 [Farmington] ROGER, FARMINGTON IS SECURED, NOW PROCEEDING TO
69 FLOOD. FARMINGTON CLEAR, _____.
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71 [NCS] NET CONTROL CLEAR, _____.
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73 [Shelton] NET CONTROL FROM SHELTON.
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75 [NCS] SHELTON, NET CONTROL, GO AHEAD.
76
77 [Shelton] CAN YOU ADVISE THE APPROXIMATE LOCATION OF THE
78 LEAD RIDER ON THE LONG COURSE? THAT WILL HELP US
79 WITH SOME PREPARATIONS HERE AND AT WATERSTOP.
80
81 [NCS] STAND BY, SAG6 SHOULD BE IN THAT AREA. -BREAK- SAG6
82 FROM NET CONTROL, DID YOU COPY SHELTON?
83
84 [Sag6] THIS IS SAG6. AFFIRMATIVE. LEAD RIDER IS NORTHBOUND
85 APPROXIMATELY TWO MILES SOUTH OF THE WATERSTOP
86 LOCATION. SAG6, _____.
87
88 [NCS] ROGER, THANK YOU. -BREAK- SHELTON, DID YOU COPY?
89
90 [Shelton] AFFIRMATIVE. WE'LL NOTIFY WATERSTOP VIA THE SIMPLEX
91 CHANNEL. SHELTON CLEAR, _____.
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93 [NCS] NET CONTROL CLEAR, _____.
94
95 [Flood] NET CONTROL FROM FLOOD.
96
97 [NCS] GO AHEAD FLOOD.
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99 [Flood] FLOOD IS NOW MANNED WITH ONE OPERATOR. BE
100 ADVISED THE ROADWAY HERE IS ABOUT 60 PERCENT
101 FLOODED. HALF OF THE SOUTHBOUND LANE IS PASSABLE.
102
103 [NCS] ROGER, PLEASE OBSERVE THAT ALL RIDERS PASS THE
104 FLOODED AREA SAFELY. NET CONTROL CLEAR, _____.
105
106 [Flood] ROGER, FLOOD CLEAR, _____.
107
108 [Shelton] NET CONTROL FROM SHELTON.
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110 [NCS] SHELTON FROM NET CONTROL, GO AHEAD.
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112 [Shelton] WE HAVE ONE RIDER HERE WITH A FLAT TIRE, REQUESTING
113 ASSISTANCE.
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115 [NCS] IS THE TIRE DAMAGED OR DOES IT JUST NEED AIR?
116
117 [Shelton] THE RIDER SAYS AIR MIGHT BE ENOUGH BUT HE DOESN'T
118 HAVE A PUMP.
119
120 [NCS] ROGER, WAIT. -BREAK- SAG6 FROM NET CONTROL.
121
122 [Sag6] SAG6, GO AHEAD.
123
124 [NCS] DO YOU HAVE A BICYCLE EMERGENCY AIR CANISTER?
125
126 [Sag6] AFFIRMATIVE. I CAN BE AT THE SHELTON SITE IN ABOUT
127 FIVE MINUTES.
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129 [NCS] ROGER, PROCEED TO SHELTON, ADVISE WHEN YOU
130 ARRIVE.
131
132 [Sag6] ROGER. SAG6 CLEAR, _____.
133
134 [NCS] THANK YOU. -BREAK- SHELTON, DID YOU COPY?
135
136 [Shelton] AFFIRMATIVE, SAG6 HEADED THIS WAY. SHELTON
137 CLEAR, _____.
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139 [NCS] NET CONTROL CLEAR, _____.

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143 Upon completion of the exercise, announce on the repeater that the exercise has ended

144 and the repeater is returned to normal operation.