



## Spokane County



# ARES / RACES Net Preamble – 146.88

Amateur Radio Emergency Service / Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service

Attention all stations on frequency. This is Net Control Station [ *call sign phonetically* ] calling the Spokane County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net. This is a directed net, meeting every Tuesday at 2000 hours local time. Tonight's net is meeting on the alternate Spokane County ARES/RACES Repeater at a frequency of 146.88 MHz. All stations are invited to check in. Be advised that this repeater requires a negative 600 KHz offset and a 123 Hz tone for access. {Unkey; Pause only momentarily}

The purpose of this net is to provide information and coordination concerning the joint activities of Spokane County's Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service. It is also intended to serve as a weekly emergency net operations training session. {Unkey; Pause only momentarily}

All stations standby for check-in. Be advised that STATIONS WITH EMERGENCY TRAFFIC MAY BREAK IN AT ANY TIME. {Unkey; Pause only momentarily} All other stations, please observe proper procedure for all transmissions. Visiting stations will be invited to check-in after the call for ARES/RACES members. **Please state your call sign slowly and phonetically.** {Unkey; pause, let the repeater drop out}

This is Net Control Station [ *call sign* ] now calling for ARES/RACES officials:

- Spokane County Emergency Coordinator and RACES Officer:
- Spokane County Assistant Emergency Coordinators: {courtesy repeat}
- ARRL District and Section Officials: {courtesy repeat}
- ARES/RACES officials from surrounding counties: {courtesy repeat}

This is Net Control Station [ *call sign* ]. Standby for ARES/RACES member check-in. Check-in will be ordered alphabetically in groups by call sign suffix. When checking in, list all traffic then hold for direction from Net Control. Any station needing to leave the net immediately after checking in, please advise Net Control and wait to be excused. **Please remember to state your call sign slowly and phonetically.** Now calling Spokane County ARES/RACES members:

- ALPHA through FOXTROT {courtesy repeat}
- GOLF through MIKE {courtesy repeat}
- NOVEMBER through ZULU {courtesy repeat}

Now calling visiting stations: please respond with your call, name and location.

*{Unkey; pause, let the repeater drop; cordially confirm visiting check-ins}*

Now calling for simplex stations and stations without sub-audible tone capability. Please check in on the output of the repeater, 146.88 MHz. FIRST WAIT FOR THE REPEATER TO TAIL OUT BEFORE CHECKING IN. All other stations, please standby and copy for possible relay. *{Unkey; pause, let the repeater drop out and then wait five seconds}*

Are there any relays? *{Unkey; pause, let the repeater drop out}*

Now calling for crossband stations. FIRST WAIT FOR THE REPEATER TO TAIL OUT BEFORE CHECKING IN. *{Unkey; pause, let the repeater drop out and then wait five seconds}*

*{When responding to crossband traffic, let the repeater drop out before expecting replies}*

This is Net Control Station [ *call sign* ] now calling stations that have listed traffic:

- Starting with... *{call each station that checked-in with listed traffic, ask for questions after}*
- *{read the following only if formal written traffic was listed during check-in}*
  - Is there a station on frequency that can copy formal written traffic? *{pause}*
  - *{if yes, arrange for that station to copy the formal written traffic}*
  - *{if no}* My apologies to those with formal written traffic, no station is currently available to copy for you
- Stations with contacts: *{help arrange contacts off frequency or after net}*

This is Net Control Station [ *call sign* ], now calling for late or missed check-ins Alpha through Zulu. *{courtesy repeat}*

Any station whose contact information has changed including: email address, call sign, phone number and mailing address please send changes to [ad7dd@arrl.net](mailto:ad7dd@arrl.net)

Last call for traffic of any kind: *{pause, then handle accordingly}*

*Good evening and thank you all for checking in. This net meets every Tuesday at 2000 hours local time. We wish to extend our thanks to the Inland Empire VHF Radio Amateurs Club for use of this alternate repeater. This is Net Control Station [ call sign ] closing the Spokane County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net at [ time ] hours, local time.*