

Pasco ARES Preamble

OPENING

This is [NCS CALLSIGN] calling the Pasco County ARES radio net. The Pasco County ARES Net is now in service. This is a directed net and all traffic must come through the net control station. Your net control operator for tonight's net is [NCS CALLSIGN]. My name is [NCS NAME] and I am located in [NCS LOCATION].

During this net, any station with Emergency or Priority traffic will have precedence over other business. We will handle that Emergency or Priority traffic and all other stations will stand by.

The Pasco County ARES radio net meets each Wednesday at 1930 hours or 7:30 PM local time to practice emergency preparedness, to distribute official ARES bulletins, and to handle formal traffic or information from our public service partners. We are a public service net and we invite all amateur radio operators to join us, regardless of training level or credential status.

The Pasco County ARES net is conducted on the 3 linked repeaters across Pasco County, the 146.670 MHZ

repeater in New Port Richey, the 145.330 MHZ repeater in Land 'O Lakes, and the 146.880 MHZ repeater in Dade City. For more information please go to the ARES web site: www.pascoares.us

When an emergency or disaster occurs, we will link these three repeaters to gather resources and disseminate information. In the case of a failure of all three repeaters we will move to 146.430 MHZ simplex and relay messages across the county.

Again this is a directed net and all transmissions should be coordinated by the Net Control Station.

CALL for ALTERNATE NCS

Do I have a volunteer to be the alternate NCS for tonight's net? Your call sign, please. (*Alternate NCS checks in*)

EXPEDITED CHECK-INS At this time I will now take check-ins for the Pasco ARES Net, beginning with mobile or short-of-time stations. Please give your call sign slowly and phonetically, your name and location. If you have traffic for the net please inform me when you check in so we can handle it as quickly as possible. This, your net control station for the Pasco ARES net.

Mobile or short-of-time stations, your call signs, please.
(Mobile and short-of-time stations check in)

Are there any 'Echo-Link' stations on the net? Your call signs, please. *(Echo-Link stations check in)*

Thank you for checking in. You are free to secure from the net or to remain on frequency as you wish.

REGULAR CHECK-INS

This is [NCS-CALLSIGN], your net control station for the Pasco ARES net.

I will now take regular check-ins for the Pasco ARES net. Please remember to give your call sign slowly and phonetically, your name and location. If you have traffic for the net, please indicate that when you check in.

Check-ins will be taken based on your call sign suffix.

Call sign suffix A – J, please call net control.

(Acknowledge check-in and call for more.

When no more are heard. Move on.)

Call sign suffix K – S, please call net control.

(Acknowledge check-in and call for more.

When no more are heard. Move on.)

Call sign suffix T – Z, please call net control.

(Acknowledge check-in and call for more.

When no more are heard. Open it to:)

Check-ins suffix A – Z, please call net control.

TRAFFIC and BUSINESS

Read down the list of regular check-ins, handle traffic and announcements in order of check-in. If time permits, you might optionally try to host a discussion about an ARES-related topic of your choice.

Call for, and handle any additional stations.

CLOSING

You are invited to join us each Wednesday evening at 1930, 7:30 PM local time, for the Pasco County ARES radio net. We would like to thank the [COUNT] stations who checked in tonight and the officers and trustees of the EPARS group and the Gulf Coast ARC for the use of their repeaters for this net. We will now return this repeater to regular Amateur Radio use.

The net is now closed at [LOCAL TIME], [NCS-CALLSIGN], 73, Goodnight.