AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE
Flathead County, Montana
NET CONTROL SCRIPT (by city and call sign)
(Rev. Date: 5_6_ 2019)

I. Repeater setup.

A. Tune to 146.76, the K7LYY repeater located on Blacktail Mountain near Lakeside, MT.

B. If the Blacktail repeater is not usable, TUNE to 147.38, which is the K7LYY repeater located on Sandy Hill near Whitefish, MT.

C. This is (*your call*) setting up for the Flathead Valley ARES net.

If needed for linking, etc. key in control codes. The control codes will be provided to net control operators as needed.

II. Preamble.

A. QST, QST, QST. This is (*your name and call sign*), net control this evening for the Flathead Valley ARES and information net.

B. This net meets every Monday evening at 9:00 p.m. (21:00 hours) local time on K7LYY repeater, frequency 146.76 MHz minus offset with a 100 Hz PL tone. This repeater is located on Blacktail Mountain near Lakeside, MT.

C. If the Blacktail repeater is unavailable, the alternate K7LYY repeater is on frequency 147.38 MHz plus offset and is located on Sandy Hill near Whitefish, MT.

D. If both repeaters are unavailable, the designated simplex frequency is 147.52 MHz.

E. If my station becomes inoperable, is there a volunteer station to take over as alternate net control?

Thank you (*alternate control name and call sign*).

E. This is a directed net for emergency training and practice.

G. Visitors will be invited to check in at the end of the roll call.

H. Do we have any emergency or priority traffic to list for the net tonight?

I Emergency traffic is welcome at any time. Emergency traffic should say, "break, break" followed by call sign and wait for net control acknowledgement. Non-emergency traffic should give call sign and wait for net control acknowledgement.

J. Do we have any formal traffic to list for the net this evening? *See Appendix A for Traffic Log.*

K.   Are there any stations with QSTs or bulletins for the net?

L.   I will now proceed with the rollcall.

    1. Mobile stations only please check in now.

    2. Roll call for registered members of Flathead ARES will be called in city group order by call sign. Please answer when you are called. Visitors are encouraged to check in when called at the end of the roll.

    Use recent roll call as reference for cities to be called. Call stations that have checked in frequently (an average greater than 0.1 is recommended—see roll call spreadsheet). Give call sign and first name pause 2-3 seconds for response. At the end of each city group, call for any other member stations in that city who may want to check in.

    Remember to identify every 10 minutes.

    Occasionally break to allow emergency or priority traffic

    3. This concludes the roll call for registered members of the Flathead ARES and information net.

    4.   Are there any late or missed check-ins? Please come now.

    5. Are there any visitors who would like to check in this evening? Please come now.

    6. Are there any late, missed or visitors? Please check in now.

III. Information portion

    A. I will now begin the information portion of the net.

    Using the station roll call check list, call each station that checked in. Skip those stations requesting an early out.

    B. This concludes the information portion of the Flathead ARES net. I am now

calling for any late, missed, or visitors to the net. Please come now.

    C. Final call for late, missed, or visitors to the net. Please come now.

IV. Other nets and resources *(optional—read periodically)*

    A. I would like to remind net participants of other emergency communications resources and nets.

    B. The primary HF amateur emergency frequency for Montana is 3880 kHz.

    C. The Montana Traffic Net meets daily at 00:30 UTC (Zulu) on or near 3910 kHz and is part of the national traffic system.

    D. The church net is operated by members of the Church of Latter-day Saints and meets every Sunday evening at 20:00 hours local time on repeater frequency 146.86 MHz.

    E. The AmMRON net meets every Thursday at 20:00 hours local time on repeater frequency 146.86 MHz.

V. Conclusion

    A. We would like to thank the Flathead Valley Amateur Radio Club for the use of its repeaters. Without its support, this net could not function.

    B. This concludes the weekly Flathead ARES and information net for this evening.

    C. I will now close the net and return the repeater(s) to normal amateur use (*your call sign*). *Reset repeater(s) if necessary.*

Appendices

Appendix A.   Traffic Log

CALL SIGN	DESTINATION	NUMBER OF PIECES

Appendix B.

If calling for HF liaison:

Do I have an HF Liaison for this evening? HF LIAISON: _____ *If yes, record station call sign and request QSY as follows:* Thank you (*HF liaison call sign*). Please move to 3880kHz (+ or – 5kHz) and call for check-ins. Report back to net control when done. *See appendix B for suggested HF liaison script.*

Sample HF Liaison Sript

QST QST QST. This is [*call sign*] liaison station on behalf of the net control for the flathead ARES and information net which meets every Monday at 2100 hours (9 pm) local time on repeater frequency 146.76, located on Blacktail Mountain. The purpose of this net liaison is for emergency training and practice in passing information between VHF and HF nets. If you would like to check into the flathead ARES net please advise if you are mobile and provide your call sign, name, and the city you are calling from. Do I have any stations wishing to check in this evening?

Record call sign, first name, and city for stations checking in to the net.

[*call sign*] liaison station for the Flathead ARES net is clear and QSY to 146.76.

Standby to report HF roll call back to net control on 2 meters.