



Siren Net Instructions and Script

On the 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesday of each month
at 1155 local time on the W6TP linked repeaters
(146.790- tone 114.8 or 443.100+ DCS 114)

General Information

All licensed amateur radio operators are invited to participate in ACS's Siren Nets. All ACS personnel should do so regularly. Please get in the habit of keeping your radio with you at all times, particularly at work, as emergencies can happen at any time. The script provided here is designed to make it easy for any operator to try their hand at being Net Control. In addition to the printable log at the end of this document, we also provide a computer-fillable Excel spreadsheet that you can use to collect reports, downloadable at www.sfdem.org/acs.

It may seem awkward at first, but practice makes it easy. The script is specifically written for Net Control Operators to read aloud, verbatim. Please read the script in advance of the net. Preparation is your key to feeling comfortable "on the air". Sentences are grouped in paragraphs meant to provide for proper breathing. Instructions not intended for reading aloud are provided in *<ITALICS>*. Everywhere it says *<PAUSE>*, you should release the PTT and listen carefully for any traffic.

Reporting Instructions

Following the net, please complete the log form, and email it within 48 hours to the following email addresses:

joseph.molinari@sfgov.org
kj6ldj@gmail.com
catherine.peterson@astound.net
sfpete415@hotmail.com
cesar.santos@sfgov.org

To serve as net control, or if you have any questions, email demacs@sfgov.org.

<Net Preamble Starts Here – START NET at 1155 hours>

Is this frequency in use? This is <CALLSIGN>.
<PAUSE>

Attention all Stations. Attention all Stations. Attention all Stations. This is Siren Net for <DATE> and this is <NAME AND CALLSIGN>, your Net Control on behalf of the San Francisco Auxiliary Communications Service. This is a Directed Net, and ALL traffic should be directed to Net Control. At this time, is there any emergency or priority traffic for the Net?
<PAUSE>

While on the Net, all stations should wait for Net Control to acknowledge their callsign before passing any traffic. When called upon, please report as follows:

- your call sign and name phonetically;
- your address or nearest cross streets;
- and whether you were indoors or outdoors.

For each siren heard, please report the siren number and if both the tone and voice were heard. You can find a map of the siren numbers and locations on the ACS web site at www.sfdem.org/acs, then clicking on OPWS Siren Information.

<PAUSE>

Please try to be outdoors when the siren sounds at noon. Standby, the Net will resume once the sirens have sounded. This is <NAME AND CALLSIGN>, Net Control.

<Main Net Starts Here - WAIT until sirens sound, then RESUME NET>

This is <NAME AND CALLSIGN>, Net Control for today's siren net. Now that the sirens have sounded the Net will resume. We will take check-ins from time-sensitive stations first. Again, please wait to be acknowledged by Net Control before passing traffic. Go ahead all time-sensitive stations.

<COLLECT REPORTS>

This is <NAME AND CALLSIGN>, Net Control for today's siren net. We will now proceed with collecting information from all operators, call sign suffixes ALPHA through INDIA.

<COLLECT REPORTS>

This is <NAME AND CALLSIGN>, Net Control. Go ahead call sign suffixes JULIET through ROMEO.

<COLLECT REPORTS>

This is <NAME AND CALLSIGN>, Net Control. Go ahead call sign suffixes SIERRA through ZULU.

<COLLECT REPORTS>

Are there any late check-ins, announcements, or further traffic for the Net?

<PAUSE>

At this time, we thank all stations for checking in. On weeks when we do not have a siren net, feel free to submit your report via our website, www.sfdem.org/acs, where you can also find out more about the San Francisco Auxiliary Communication Service. Also, stay connected by signing up for AlertSF- San Francisco's emergency text message system. Register by texting the phrase AlertSF to 888-777 or by visiting alerts.org.

<PAUSE>

We now return this repeater back to normal service, and thank the George S Ladd Telephone Pioneers for the use of the W6TP repeater. This is <NAME AND CALLSIGN>, clear.

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Net Control Operator: _____