



ACS Travel Net Script

The ACS Travel Net is held immediately prior to the ACS General Meetings on the third Tuesday of the month starting at 6:15 PM WA6GG repeater, 442.050 MHz, positive offset, tone of 127.3 Hz. All ACS members are encouraged to participate in the monthly ACS Travel Net, and guest check-ins are welcome. The purpose of this net is to obtain travel status information and serve as a resource for those who plan to attend the meeting. Net control operators are encouraged to provide information about the organization as well as directions to our meeting to those that ask.

All volunteers should practice their Net Control skills by volunteering for Net Control duty on a regular basis. Experienced operators are not expected to read this script verbatim, as long as the key information needed is obtained. Information from the net should be reported to the ACS chief after the net concludes by submitting the log form, or as requested over the radio.

The script is provided as a guide for net control operators and is specifically written for reading aloud by the Net Control Operator, verbatim. Read, understand and learn the monologue provided until you no longer require reading this script. Sentences are grouped in paragraphs meant to provide for proper breathing. Instructions, not intended for reading aloud, are provided in *italics and bold*. In particular where the script says *pause* or *wait* you should do so. That means pause and make sure you let go of the push-to-talk button. This is your opportunity to listen for regular calls to you, or emergency or priority traffic.

This Net is unique in that it is always conducted with a more experienced member who will be with you in the ACS Radio Room. Don't hesitate to volunteer as net control for this net, especially if you are a new ham! You may sign up to serve as the Net Control Operator by emailing the ACS Net Manager at acsnet@sfacs.net. Please ensure that you arrive at the ACS Radio Room by 6:05 PM so that you can be set up and ready to start the net at 6:15 PM.

The script follows on next page.

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Is this frequency in use?

Pause with mike off.

Attention all stations. Attention all stations. Attention all stations.

This is the travel net for the Auxiliary Communications Service, and this is **(your call sign)**, your Net Control. 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 with mike off.

During this net, all licensed amateur radio operators are invited to check in. When recognized by Net Control, please give me your name and call sign phonetically, and provide your cross streets and whether you plan to attend tonight's meeting.

If you are coming tonight, also provide the following information:

- Your travel status
- Your mode of transportation
- If you are traveling with anyone else who is also attending tonight's meeting
- Your estimated time of arrival

Please also let Net Control know when you have arrived and are outside 1011 Turk Street.

This is **(your call sign)**, Net Control. Again, please wait to be acknowledged by Net Control before giving your report. I'll take check-ins from all call-signs in groups of four.

Take reports. At the end of the initial batch of reports, continue:

This is **(your call sign)**, Net Control. Are there any additional check-ins for tonight's ACS travel net?

Repeat above until no more check-ins. Then continue below:

This is **(your call sign)**, Net Control, monitoring.

Every 10 minutes, repeat the following and take any check-ins that come up:

This is **(your call sign)**, Net Control for tonight's ACS travel net. All stations are welcome to check-in. When recognized by Net Control, please give me your name and call sign phonetically, and provide your cross streets and whether you plan to attend tonight's meeting.

If you are coming tonight, also provide the following information:

- Your travel status
- Your mode of transportation
- If you are traveling with anyone else who is also attending tonight's meeting
- Your estimated time of arrival

Please also let Net Control know when you have arrived and are outside 1011 Turk Street. This is (your call sign), Net Control, monitoring.

Wait with mike off, and take any check-ins as they come in.

When instructed by the ACS Chief or another staff member, close the net:

This is (your call sign), Net Control for tonight's ACS travel net. I will take one last call for any further check-ins or traffic for the net.

Wait with mike off, and take any check-ins or requests for further traffic as they come in. At the end of this traffic, or hearing no callers, continue:

For more information about the San Francisco Auxiliary Communications Services, please visit our website at sf.gov/acs. We thank the Northern California Association of Emergency Radio Operators for the use of the WA6GG repeater, and return this repeater back to normal service. This is (your call sign), Net Control, clear.