

EAST ALABAMA SKYWARN WEEKLY TRAINING NET PREAMBLE

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Hello everyone and welcome to this session of the East Alabama Skywarn Training Net. This is _____ my name is _____ and I will be your net control station for this evenings' net.

Before we start the Net, does anyone have any emergency or priority traffic for this Net?

This net meets every Thursday evening at 7:30 PM Central Time on the 147.150 MHz repeater; plus offset, PL tone 123 Hz, operated by the Lee County Emergency Management Agency in Lee County, AL. In the event of failure of this repeater the alternate net frequency is 147.060 MHz, plus offset, with a PL tone of 123 Hz, located in Lee County, Alabama. This SKYWARN Net is operated as a combined effort of the National Weather Service, area Emergency Management Agencies, and the local Amateur Radio community as a whole.

The purpose of this net is to prepare Amateur Radio equipped severe weather spotters and their equipment for actual emergencies or severe weather situations and provide information of interest to the Amateur Radio SKYWARN Spotter community.

This is a directed net; all stations will communicate with and through the net control station during the net. This is _____, my name is _____, located in _____, your net control operator for the East Alabama SKYWARN Training Net for this evening.

Optional:

Do we have a volunteer to act as a back-up net control station, please give your call sign now? (Give verbal confirmation to backup station.)

In the event of an actual weather emergency and formal net operations, the following information is what we would definitely want reported to the net. All reported weather-related information needs to be seen by you personally. Please do not relay second-hand or hearsay information. We would want reports to include:

- **Exact location of event**
- **Wind speeds of 40 mph or higher. If you are estimating, wind speed at 40 mph will usually be indicated by whole trees in motion.**
- **Hail of 1/2 inch or larger, a good reference for this would be a dime. When giving the size of hail, coins are good to use as a reference because their size is always the same.**
- **Flooding of small creeks, roadways or areas that may threaten life and property**
- **Visual sightings of funnel clouds and tornadoes**
- **Also be sure to let the net control know if you are estimating your information or if you have a weather station at your location.**
- **Whether or not the information has already been submitted to the National Weather Service.**

This is _____ your net control station for the weekly East Alabama SKYWARN Training Net.

We will now begin taking check-ins for the net. When checking-in, please give your call sign slowly and phonetically, along with your first name and the county you are located in, and whether or not you have any traffic or announcements for the Net.

Are there any mobile stations desiring to check in at this time?

We will now take roll call of stations in the East Alabama area by County.

Do we have any check-ins for Chambers County?

Do we have any check-ins for Elmore County?

Do we have any check-ins for Lee County?

Do we have any check-ins for Macon County?

Do we have any check-ins for Russell County?

Do we have any check-ins for Tallapoosa County?

This is _____ your net control station for the weekly East Alabama SKYWARN Training Net.

Do we have any check-ins from counties in Alabama other than Chambers, Elmore, Lee, Macon, Russell, or Tallapoosa? If so, please come now.

Do we have stations outside the State of Alabama wishing to check-in? If so, please come now.

This is _____ your net control station for the weekly East Alabama SKYWARN Training Net.

Are there any relays, late check-ins, or stations I may have missed who wish to check in now?

Does anyone have any further business for this net?

Hearing none, thanks to all that participated in this session of the weekly East Alabama SKYWARN Training Net this evening. This concludes the net for this evening at _____ Universal Coordinated Time, and this repeater is now returned to regular Amateur Radio communications. This is _____ out.