

## Metro Atlanta District Net Preamble

“CQ, CQ, CQ, Calling the Metro Atlanta Monthly ARES Net. This is (*callsign*) my name is (*your name*), your net control operator this afternoon. This net meets on the first Sunday of the month at 4:00 PM local time, for the purpose of informing the Metro Atlanta ARES District of activities of interest to ARES members and to encourage participation in the ARES organization. Emergency traffic will be handled with top priority during this net. Is there any emergency traffic that needs to be passed at this time?” (*Pause for emergency traffic*)

“Emergency traffic will be taken at any time during the net and handled immediately. When checking in please state if you have an announcement or a comment for the net. Announcements or comments will be heard following all check-ins. If you have a program for the net, please notify net control when checking in”. (*Pause and let the repeater timer re-cycle*)

“The NCS each month is one of the County EC’s, AEC’s or another person appointed to call the net. Each Metro Atlanta County is requested to call the net at least once a year. The NCS schedule is handled by Steve, N4SEG, the District Emergency Coordinator for Metro Atlanta. (*Pause and let the repeater timer re-cycle*)

“I will now call for check-ins from local ARRL and ARES Section Officers.

Do we have any local ARRL or ARES Section Officers wishing to check into the net?”

(*Acknowledge those checking in, then ask for them one more time*)  
(*If no further, proceed*)

“I will now call for check-ins from local District Emergency Coordinators.

Do we have any local District Emergency Coordinators wishing to check into the net?”

(*Acknowledge those checking in, then ask for them one more time*)  
(*If no further, proceed*)

(*remember to identify every ten minutes - use something like: This is (*callsign*) with the Metro Atlanta Monthly ARES Net*)

“I will now call for the EC’s & AEC’s of the following counties; please call when your county is called. AEC’s please call after giving your EC time to respond.”

(*Call the EC by name and callsign, but just call for AEC’s after the EC has had a chance to check in*)

Cherokee County – Jim WB4NWS

Clayton/Henry County – Roy AJ4GT

Cobb County – OPEN– and no AECs either. Just mention we’re looking for an EC

DeKalb County –Barry W4TGA

Douglas/Paulding County – Dave K4DMF

Fayette/Coweta County – David AG4ZR

North Fulton County – Tom W4UOC

South Fulton County – OPEN – and no AECs either. Just mention we’re looking for an EC

Gwinnett County – John WB4QDX

Newton County – Charles WA4UJC

Rockdale County – Tim KC4ELV

*(identify?)*

“I will now take General Check-ins from the following Metro Atlanta Counties.” *(List and read by county, one county at a time)*

Cherokee County  
Clayton County  
Cobb County  
Coweta County  
DeKalb County  
Douglas County  
Fayette County  
Fulton County  
Gwinnett County  
Henry County  
Newton County  
Paulding County  
Rockdale County

“We will now take check-ins from any county: Please call net control now:”

*(identify?)*

“We will now move to the Announcements and Comments section of the net.”  
*(Let those having announcements or comments make them)*

*(Present program speaker if there is one)*

*(Ask for late check-ins)*

“We will now close the net at (time) and would like to thank The Atlanta Radio Club for the use of the 146.82 repeater. This is *(callsign)* returning the frequency to normal amateur use.”

\*\*\*After the NET\*\*\*

Be sure to file a net report with the DEC for Metro Atlanta that includes the time the net started, the number of check-ins, along with the list of who checked in, a count of traffic handled by precedence, and the time the net ended. This is important for participation statistics.