

**Heart of Texas Ham Operators Group (HOT-HOG) &
McCulloch County ARES
WA5HOT Net Control Procedure**

NET CALL and PREAMBLE:

CQ, CQ, CQ. Calling the Heart of Texas Ham Operators Group and McCulloch County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net.

This is Whisky Alpha 5 Hotel Oscar Tango, with (*net control's call sign and first name*) acting as Net Control Station.

The purposes of this net are: to foster an interest in amateur radio, to give amateur radio operators an opportunity to improve their communication skills through on-air experiences, and to facilitate discussions that are of interest to ham operators and to potential hams who may be listening. It is also a local area forum for Amateur Radio Emergency Service training and administration.

All persons who are licensed to transmit on this frequency pair are welcome to join the net. Membership in the Heart of Texas Ham Operators Group and/or the McCulloch County ARES is **NOT** required. We also welcome anyone who may be listening to this frequency to follow along with us. For more information about HOT-HOG, ARES and amateur radio in general, see our web site at www.hothog.org.

When checking into this net, please say "THIS IS," un-key your transmitter and listen to insure that no one else is calling, then give your call sign only, using ITU phonetics. The NCS will recognize your station, and then call upon each participant to identify himself or herself by call sign and first name and to make any initial comments or ask any initial questions. Once all stations have been acknowledged in that way, an open discussion may follow.

Once again, this is WA5HOT, the Heart of Texas Ham Operators Group and McCulloch County ARES with (*net control's call sign*) as Net Control Station. We will now accept check-ins to the net.

PERIODIC NET CALL:

CQ, CQ, CQ. Calling the Heart of Texas Ham Operators Group and McCulloch County ARES Net. This is WA5HOT, with (*net control's call sign and first name*) acting as Net Control Station. If there are any additional check-ins, please come now with your call sign only, in ITU phonetics.

NET CLOSING:

This is (*net control's call sign*) as Net Control Station for WA5HOT now securing the net. This net will meet again next Monday evening at 2030 hrs local time on this same frequency pair. 73. WA5HOT is now clear.

NOTE: If the 146.90 repeater is not working, the net will shift to the 444.875 repeater in local mode (remote base off.). If both repeaters fail, the net will be called on 146.90 simplex.