Welcome to the Prince George's County Maryland ARES Training Net.

Your net control station is Whiskey 3 Papa Golf Charlie, W3PGC, with <__Call Sign__> <__Name__>, operating as the Net Control Operator.

Is the alternate net control operator on the air? If so, please give your call phonetically.

(Pause for alternate. If the alternate responds, write down the call and skip the next 3 lines) Thank you, <__Call Sign__> < __Name__> will be the alternate Net Control Operator for this net.

(If the assigned alternate station does not respond, ask for an alternate)

Is someone willing to act as alternate? Please call now. Thank you. <_Call Sign_> <__Name__> will be the alternate Net Control Operator this evening.

This net is held each Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. on the 145.230 repeater, negative offset, tone 110.9 Hz, and is courtesy of The Prince George's County Emergency Radio Association. The K3ERA repeater is located in District Heights, Maryland.

(Check if available before starting the net)
The Net is also available on Echolink via the N3XL-R node.

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Also, we are running the Netlogger program tonight, so feel free to check in and follow along.

If the repeater should go off the air, everyone should switch to the secondary K3GMR repeater, at frequency 146.610, negative offset, tone 77Hz. The K3GMR repeater is courtesy of the Green Mountain Repeater Association, and located in Bladensburg, Maryland.

If the secondary repeater should also go off the air, everyone should switch to the tertiary W3SMR repeater, at frequency 147.150, positive offset, tone 114.8Hz. The W3SMR repeater is courtesy of the Southern Maryland Amateur Radio Club and located in Brandywine, Maryland.

The Net Control Operator will then call for check-ins and ask for relays, if necessary, to restart or resume the net.

The purpose of this net is to encourage interest in, and to provide information for and about the Amateur Radio Emergency Service (or ARES) in Prince George's County Maryland.

All amateurs are welcome. You do not have to be a member of ARES to join this net. ARES provides communications services to served agencies during emergencies and public service events. ARES is not affiliated with any local club or group and is under the direction of an ARRL appointed Emergency Coordinator (EC). The EC for Prince George's County, Maryland is Jeff Humbert, KB3SPH.

The URL for our webpage is PGARES dot ORG. Our Internet forum can be found on Google Groups. The name of the group is PGARES. Our Facebook page can be found at Facebook/PG ARES RACES.

This is a Training Net, therefore, participating stations are encouraged to record the call signs of all check-ins, because, if the Net Control Operator and the Alternate both go off the air, you may have to serve as Net Control.

This is a directed net. Please address all transmissions to the Net Control Station - W3PGC.

Is there any priority or emergency traffic or any relays for priority or emergency traffic?

Are there any mobile stations or stations on independent power that wish to check in? (Because mobile stations may go out of range, ask if they want to make comments now or in rotation).

At this time, the net will take check-ins from ARRL elected and appointed officials in the Maryland/DC Section. Please give your call phonetically, your first name and your position. This is W3PGC. (pause for check-ins)

At this time, the net will take check-ins from Liaison Stations from the Civil Air Patrol, Hospital Coalition, MARS, SHARES, SATERN, SKYWARN or other MDC ARES jurisdictions. Please give your call phonetically, first name and position.
This is W3PGC. (pause for check-ins)

(If available) I will now take Echolink Check-ins. Please give your call phonetically, first name and location. This is W3PGC.

I will now take general check-ins. Please give your call phonetically, first name and location. Please call in groups of four. This is W3PGC.

Is there a Training Topic this evening? (pause for station offering a training topic, usually Pam – KB3SWS)

We will now take announcements, comments, or questions. As Net Control Operator, I will begin. (Make comments).

(Then go to the Alternate Net Control Operator, then other stations in order of check-in. If an ARRL elected or appointed official had checked in farther down the list, they may be moved up to the ARRL list at the Net Control Operator's discretion.)

(After the first round of comments is complete, check for additional check-ins).
(Log all new check-ins, then ask for comments in the order they checked in).

Is there any station that would like to make a second round of comments? If so, please call now.

We wish to thank the Prince George's County Emergency Radio Association for the use of this repeater.

(Alternately, as needed, e.g., We wish to thank the Green Mountain Repeater Association for the use of this repeater).

Thank you, everyone, for your participation tonight. Also, thank you to <___Name___> for acting as the alternate Net Control Operator. This net is now secure, and the repeater is now returned to regular use. This is W3PGC, Net Control, with <__Call Sign__> <__Name__> operating. Good night and I'm clear.

Additional Notes for Net Control Operators
● Use a cell phone or WWVB-synchronized clock to determine the exact time to start the net (1930L).
● If neither the scheduled Net Control Operator, nor the alternate starts the net within 3 minutes, anyone may start the net.
● As Net Control Operator, you have full control over the net, e.g., if the K3ERA repeater is down at net time, you may switch to the secondary or tertiary repeater on your own authority. You could let participants know of the change via an email to the group (pgares@googlegroups.com)
● The K3ERA, K3GMR, and W3SMR repeaters are the first three listings on the PRGE ARES ICS-205.
● This script is a guide, make changes "on the fly" as necessary.

73
Jeff – KB3SPH
PRGE ARES EC
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