

## NBEMS DIGITAL NET PREAMBLE

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(Or ask if "Is this frequency in use?" if calling net on SSB, Then send QST's)

This is (name), (callsign), and I am in (location) and I'll be Net Control Station for tonight's NBEMS net. This is a digital net sponsored by the Humboldt Amateur Radio Club and welcomes all hams in our operational area. This net uses Fldigi and associated NBEMS programs to give radio operators the opportunity to practice digital skills by sending and receiving digital messages, testing our equipment, and exchanging information of interest to the digital ham community. This net uses "best practice" net procedures.

NBEMS is an acronym for **N**arrow **B**and **E**mergency **M**essaging **S**oftware.

This net solutes Dave Freese W1HKJ and all the amazing hackers who created and update this amazing suite of NBEMS software for all hams to use on ANY computer world wide.

This net meets bi-weekly at 2000 hours on the HARC Repeater, 145.470 MHz, with a negative offset and a tone of 103.5. This net may also be called on simplex and on multiple bands and modes.

This is a directed net and all communication must be authorized by Net Control. This net uses voice communications to expedite digital communications. If any station has a question, comment, a relay, or general information, send your call sign and stand by for NCS to address you. Tactical calls are helpful, and tonight your tactical call is the suffix of your call sign.

Are there any Announcements for the net before we begin?  
(Following announcements, or hearing none begin roll call)

Roll Call will now begin. Please check in with:  
your name, your call sign, method of digital coupling (wired interface, acoustical coupling, or hybrid), The number of messages you have and their send time. When composing messages, please be aware of repeater limitations.

[Following check-ins] Are there any missed, late, or visiting stations? If so please check in now.

Below are suggestions of how to conduct the NBEMS net:

### **NBEMS Exercise**

Please set your Fldigi waterfall 1500, turn off Tx ID, and set digital mode to MT63 2KL.

[Describe this evening's exercise, dispatch participants to simplex frequencies as necessary to conduct digital message exchange, and have them return to the HARC repeater and announce themselves when done.]

[When everyone has returned, do a round-robin of reflections on the exercise, problems encountered, lessons learned, etc.]

### **Closing:**

I wish to thank all participants and the ham community. You are all at a SILVER STAR status, vying for GOLD STAR status. You are achieving more than 99% of the hams in this country and I tip my hat to you all. This net will meet again in two weeks on (date.) The Humboldt NBEMS Training Net is now closed. This is (name), (callsign), returning this frequency to its regular amateur use.

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“A directed net is formal, has a set of rules or net directives, all communications must go through net control. It controls the frequency with net related traffic only, and has a specified person in charge, the Net Control Station (NCS). The NCS will issue specific instructions on how they want the net to run.

A directed net is one in which it is necessary to obtain permission from the NCS before transmitting to other stations in the net. “

(<https://net-control.us/hamnets.html>)