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Net Control Station Policy - Lee DeForest Amateur Radio Club

The purpose of this Net Control Station (NCS) Policy is to define the duties of the Official Nets on the Lee DeForest Amateur Radio Club. This is to preserve a contemporaneous record in the event of Official or Legal Inquiries.

The duties of a Net Control Station (NCS) for the Lee DeForest Amateur Radio Club (LDF-ARC) include:

Calling the net to order at its designated start time,

Periodically calling for participants to join,

Listening for them to check in,

Keeping track of the roster of stations for that particular net session,

And generally orchestrating the operation of the net

Note: It is the responsibility of the NCS to send a completed copy of the Roster Net to the Net Manager.

Note: It is also a Scheduled NCS's responsibility to secure a replacement NCS in a timely manner in the event the scheduled NCS cannot perform at the scheduled time.

The NCS also maintains a net log and records participation in the net and flow of information, always tracking who is on the net. The NCS should make a brief note about the information passed during official Nets of LDF-ARC.

The NCS should note and notify the LDF-ARC President and Net Manager of any:

QRM, intentional or not,

Improper behavior on the Net

And any out of the ordinary situation.

Definition: QRM stands for human-made interference. It refers to any unwanted signals or noise generated by human activity that interferes with radio communications.