



## Shelby Co ARES Net Preamble



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[**Note:** Red text enclosed in [Brackets] is Instructional and is not intended to be read 'over the air'.]

Calling ALL Amateur Radio operators - Calling ALL Amateur Radio operators - The Shelby County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net is now being Activated for our weekly Training Session. This is an open net serving all Amateur Radio Operators within range of this repeater. All properly licensed stations are welcome to join this Training Session of The Shelby County ARES Net. This is [\[Call Sign\]](#), My name is [\[First Name\]](#). I am your Net Control Station.

The Shelby County ARES Net is a service of the Shelby County Amateur Radio Club. Weekly training sessions are conducted on Tuesday evenings at 8:00pm local time on the W4SHL repeater operating at 146-point-980 MHz. In the event of repeater failure, the 145-point-290 MHz repeater will be used as the Net frequency. I need Two stations to go Off Frequency and verify the operational status of the 145.290 MHz repeater. Please call [\[Call Sign\]](#) Now.

In this Training Session we will learn correct On-the-Air procedures. We will use this Forum to learn how to correctly relay needed information and to better develop our skills as communicators. When this net is called into service, we will have greater confidence in our skills and know that we can present ourselves Professionally as **Amateur Radio Operators**. This net operates within the guidelines of the Amateur Radio Emergency Service. This net is affiliated with the National Traffic System and may be used as a vehicle for routing NTS Messages.

This is [\[Call Sign\]](#), [\[First Name\]](#), Net Control Station for the Shelby Co ARES Net.

[\[Remember to ID your station and the Net at regular intervals.\]](#)

- Are there any stations with **Emergency** or Priority traffic? [\[Handle Now.\]](#)
- Are there any stations with Formal NTS traffic? [\[Hold.\]](#)
- Are there any stations with Official Bulletins? [\[Hold.\]](#)  
[\[Recognize any identifying stations and handle requests.\]](#)

This is a Directed Net. Please follow the instructions of the Net Control Station. When joining this net, let the Net Control Station know if you are short of time or if you must leave the net early. If you have a bulletin or announcement, please indicate this when you check-in. Bulletins and announcements will be read following check-ins. I will take check-ins by County. When your county is called, please give your call sign phonetically using ITU Standard Phonetics.

[\[Acknowledge ALL stations using correct ITU Standard Phonetics. The word list is in a table below.\]](#)

- 1:) Calling All stations currently in Shelby County, Please Check-in Now.  
[\[Record and acknowledge all stations that check-in.\]](#)
- 2:) Calling All stations currently in Jefferson County, Please Check-in Now.  
[\[Record and acknowledge all stations that check-in.\]](#)
- 3:) Calling ALL stations outside of Shelby and Jefferson counties. Please use ITU Standard Phonetics when identifying your station & give the name of the county that you are in. Please Check-in Now. [\[Record and acknowledge all stations that check-in.\]](#)

Additional check-ins will be taken just before the close of this net. If you have NTS traffic, bulletins, announcements, or swap shop items that were not listed during check-ins - Please call now and state your traffic.

[Acknowledge additional stations with traffic now. Then recall stations that listed traffic during check-ins. Handle traffic in this order of importance - 1:) NTS, 2:) Bulletin, 3:) Announcements, 4:) Swap Shop.]

The Shelby County Amateur Radio Club holds meetings on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at 7:00pm. Meetings are held at the Shelby County American Red Cross office on Valleydale Road. Please see the W4SHL dot COM Homepage for complete details. Talk-in is on the 146-point-980 MHz repeater. Meetings are open to anyone interested.

### Other Local and Important Nets:

- The Birmingham Amateur Radio Club D-STAR Net meets at 8:30pm tonight on the Birmingham Amateur Radio Club's 145-point-410 MHz D-STAR repeater.
- The Jefferson County Emergency Net meets at 9:00pm tonight on the Birmingham Amateur Radio Club's 146-point-880 MHz repeater.
- The Alabama Traffic Net Mike meets every night of the week at 6:30pm Central Time on 3.965 MHz (LSB).
- The Alabama Emergency Net Mike, which is the Statewide ARES net meets every Sunday at 21:00 UTC on 3.965 MHz (LSB). That is 4pm Central Daylight Time (during summer), and 3pm Central Standard Time (during winter).

To contact the Shelby County Amateur Radio Club, please address Postal Mail to:

**Shelby County Amateur Radio Club**  
**P.O. Box 815**  
**Alabaster, AL 35007**

You will find the club Website at [www.w4shl.com](http://www.w4shl.com).

#### **/\* Optional Content \*/**

If you are listening to this net tonight and are not yet a licensed amateur radio operator, I would like to invite you to take the next logical step and become a licensed operator. You can then participate as well. On our website, you can find self-study resources to help you acquire your entry level license. Resources are also available for those wishing to upgrade their current license. We have Licensing Instructors available for anyone needing help learning the material.

#### **/\* Optional Content \*/**

If you would like to participate as a Net Control Station for this net; please contact the SCARES Net Manager, Ty Hill K G 9 A H, by email. Send your email to N M on the W 4 S H L dot com server.

This is the final call for check-ins from any additional stations not yet acknowledged. Please use ITU Standard Phonetics when identifying your station and give the name of the county that you are in. All stations - Please check-in Now.

[Record and acknowledge all stations that check-in.]

Thank you for participating in tonight's net. I invite you to join the net again next Tuesday at 8:00pm local time. This session of the Shelby County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Net is now secured. This frequency is returned to normal operations. This is [\[Call Sign\]](#) clear. **[End of Net.]**

You have come to the End of the preamble. Thank you.	Please be prompt in communicating your Net Statistics to the <a href="#">Net Manager</a> or the Manager of Emergency Communications.
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ITU Phonetic Alphabet						
<b>Alfa</b>	<b>Bravo</b>	<b>Charlie</b>	<b>Delta</b>	<b>Echo</b>	<b>Foxtrot</b>	<b>Golf</b>
<b>Hotel</b>	<b>India</b>	<b>Juliette</b>	<b>Kilo</b>	<b>Lima</b>	<b>Mike</b>	<b>November</b>
<b>Oscar</b>	<b>Papa</b>	<b>Quebec</b>	<b>Romeo</b>	<b>Sierra</b>	<b>Tango</b>	<b>Uniform</b>
<b>Victor</b>	<b>Whiskey</b>	<b>X-ray</b>	<b>Yankee</b>	<b>Zulu</b>		

### How to Handle NTS Traffic

If you receive NTS traffic to relay and are unable to find a station on frequency to accept it, hold the traffic and list it again on the Jefferson County Emergency Net, 146.880 MHz, Tuesdays at 9:00 PM Local time. NTS traffic may also be listed with other daily nets. For more information on Traffic Handling, see [FSD-218](#) on the ARRL Web.

### This is Your Net

Your input and your participation make these Training Sessions of the Shelby County ARES Net happen. This is our Forum for exchanging information with one another. In our Training Sessions we will strive to learn correct On-the-Air procedures. We will learn to send, receive and deliver NTS traffic. We will use this Forum to better develop our communications skills. Then when this net is activated, we will have greater confidence in our skills as communicators and know that we can present ourselves as *Amateur Radio Operators* in a Professional manner.

### Please Contribute to the Idea Factory

If you have an idea that you believe can improve this Training Session of the Shelby County ARES Net, please share it with the Net Manager or the MEC. You may contact the Net Manager by using the button on the Right of this paragraph. Float your Mouse pointer over the button for Emailing Instructions.

[Email NM](#)

### Source Code Sharing Welcomed

There are many really great things under the hood of *This* page. We learn by sharing our Talents. I am using JavaScript and CSS Style for lots of neat stuff. Feel free to take a peek at the HTML. You are welcomed to use any source code from this page, OR any page on the Website, that you find useful to enhance your own Webpage(s). One Goodie is a Powerful and Secure email script Capable of generating an email to Mutiple addressees on a single click. It also uses a Confirmation Function which lets you Cancel if you wish. (It is located at the bottom of the Site Navigation panel.) Float your Mouse pointer over the Source Code button for a 'ToolTip.' Button at Right utilizes Firefox's 'view source:' function, MSIE users should scroll to the bottom of the page and click the 'Source: MSIE' button. This Website may be safely placed on your browser 'White List.' Site recoded to Valid XHTML 1.0 Transitional by our WebGuru: John David Murphy, KA4ZXL.



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First select the frame you want to print by clicking your pointer in it, then choose FILE > PRINT > in the Print Frames area choose "*Only the Selected Frame*" and Print. Note to MS IE7 users: the Print Frames choices are on the OPTIONS Tab. **Iframes are trickier to Print.** Firefox Users should look for an Iframe Printing Link/Button or try to open the Iframe Page in a New Window/Tab and then Print. IE7 Users can Right-Click the Iframe Content and Choose Print. Otherwise, you only get what you can see.

Links: [Radiogram](#) [ARRL Web](#) [ARRL Forms](#)

SCARES Net Report Form <small>v1.0 KA4DL</small>			Date:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Training	<input type="checkbox"/> Weather	Activated:	AM/PM	Secured:	AM/PM
<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:				
QNI:		QTC:		QNN:	
You may include more information, but only the above is required for reporting to ARRL. <i>Please record Stations Reporting into this net in the spaces below.</i>					
QNI: # of Stations	QTC: #NTS Messages	QNN: Call of NCS		QNS: Station List	

Use the space below to record Additional Stations and to make your own notes.

Source: MSIE.