# SKYVIEW RADIO SKYWARN NET GUIDE



# CALLING THE SKYVIEW RADIO SOCIETY SKYWARN WEATHER NET CALLING THE SKYVIEW RADIO SOCIETY SKYWARN WEATHER NET

THIS IS\_(NAME & CALL SIGN)\_ YOUR NET CONTROL STATION.

THIS IS A DIRECTED NET AND ALL OPERATIONS WILL BE THROUGH NET CONTROL ON THE K3MJW 146.640 REPEATER. SHOULD WE EXPERIENCE A PROBLEM WITH THE PRIMARY REPEATER, THIS NET WILL BE DIVERTED TO THE WA3WOM 145.370 REPEATER THAT HAS A MINUS OFFSET AND 131.8HZ PL. IF AT ANY TIME THERE IS EMERGENCY OR PRIORITY TRAFFIC, DOUBLE BREAK AND CALL NET CONTROL.

# (WEATHER STATEMENT)

THE NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE IN PITTSBURGH HAS ISSUED THE FOLLOWING SEVERE WEATHER WARNING...(READ THE STATEMENT FROM NWS PIT)

THIS SKYWARN NET WILL BE IN OPERATION UNTIL THE EXPIRATION OF CURRENT WARNING CONDITIONS.

## (NET CHECK INS)

WE'LL NOW BEGIN TAKING CHECK INS FOR THE SKYVIEW RADIO SOCIETY SKYWARN NET...WEATHER SPOTTERS AND OBSERVERS WANTING TO CHECK IN PLEASE CALL , NET CONTROL.

# (OP NOTES)

- -ACKNOWLEDGE EACH CHECK IN
- -TAKE CHECK INS BY GROUPS OF FIVE
- -AFTER EACH GROUP OF FIVE, NET CONTROL STATION ID
- -ASK FOR A BACK UP NET CONTROL STATION SHOULD THE NEED ARISE
- -GO THROUGH THE LIST AND ASK EACH STATION FOR THEIR WEATHER OBSERVATIONS
- -REPEAT THE NWS WEATHER ALERT EVERY SO OFTEN OR WHEN UPDATES COME AVAILABLE
- -ASK FOR ADDITIONAL CHECK INS
- -ASK IF THERE IS ANY NEED FOR ASSISTANCE, ETC.

-INFORM CHECK IN STATIONS TO REPORT SEVERE WEATHER OBSERVATIONS TO THE NWS PITTSBURGH AT 800-242-0510 OR BY USING THE ONLINE LINK AT THE TOP OF NWS PIT HOMEPAGE...THE NWS NEEDS LOCAL REPORTS.

PROVIDE THE TIME, EVENT AND LOCATION(ADDRESS OR GPS COORDINATES), ALSO PROVIDE SPOTTER NAME AND NUMBER SHOULD NWS PIT HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. NEVER ASSUME THAT WEATHER CONDITIONS HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO OR ARE KNOWN BY NWS PIT

#### WHAT TO REPORT

OBSERVED FUNNEL CLOUDS WITH DIRECTION OF TRAVEL
TORNADO ON THE GROUND WITH DIRECTION OF TRAVEL
HAIL OF ANY SIZE AND/OR HAIL DAMAGE
HIGH WIND GUSTS AND/OR WIND DAMAGE
FLOODING...WATER OVER ROADS, WATER IN BUILDINGS,ETC.
PROPERTY DAMAGE...DAMAGE TO STRUCTURES, TREES DOWN, DOWNED UTILITY LINES,ETC.

-BEFORE CLOSING THE NET, ASK FOR ANY ADDITIONAL CHECK INS OR OBSERVATIONS / COMMENTS FROM THE NET.

#### **NET CLOSING**

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON SKYVIEW RADIO SOCIETY AND OUR WEATHER GROUP THAT MEETS THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT WWW.SKYVIEWRADIO.NET.

THIS IS	FOR THE SKYVIEW RADIO SOCIETY SKYWARN \	WEATHER NET.
WE HAD	$\_$ CHECK INS AND WILL NOW CLOSE THE NET AT $\_$	RETURNING
THE K3MJW	REPEATER BACK TO LICENSED AMATEUR USE.	

THANK YOU ALL.

#### **NET OPERATION SUGGESTIONS**

- -PRIOR TO READING THE NWS WEATHER STATEMENT OVER THE RADIO, READ OVER ONCE OR TWICE IN ORDER FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF AND MINIMIZE THE CHANCE FOR ERRORS...TAKE A BREATH AND READ AT NORMAL SPEED EXACTLY AS WRITTEN BY NWS.
- -PER NWS, IF WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE WATCH STATUS, READ THE WEATHER STATEMENT OVER THE AIR AND ADVISE THAT SKYWARN IS ON STANDBY UNTIL WATCH STATUS EXPIRES.
- -PER NWS, IF WEATHER CONDITIONS ARE WARNING STATUS, SKYWARN NET IS ACTIVATED UNTIL THE WARNING IS CANCELED.
- IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO HAVE A BACK UP NET CONTROL IN THE EVENT OF POWER LOSS, EQUIPMENT TROUBLE, NEED FOR A BREAK, ETC.
- -BE SURE TO STATION ID EVERY TEN MINUTES...CALL SIGN AND SKYVIEW RADIO SOCIETY SKYWARN.

### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

THE NINE COUNTY SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA SKYWARN GROUP REPEATER IS THE KA3JSD (MT. PLEASANT) 147.015 WITH PLUS OFFSET AND 127.3HZ PL. DURING SKYWARN OPERATIONS IT IS SUGGESTED TO MONITOR FOR ADDITIONAL WEATHER INFORMATION.