**Ham Radio Net Script**

This is (MIDWEST #), The MidWest Severe Storm Tracking Response Center net will begin in five minutes.

For the remainder of the MidWest Severe Storm/Tracking Response Net I will be using the MidWest Callsign of **WX9WIS** for the rest of the directed net.

*At the very end of the net (on an Active Net, could be hours later in a storm net), identify yourself with your own callsign when ending the net or when handing the net over to a different station as net controller.*

All repeaters are linked. Please standby.

**WX9WIS** (let repeaters drop)

**\*\*BEGIN THE NET\*\***

Good evening and welcome to the MidWest Severe Storm Tracking Response Centers Wednesday night Net.

This is **WX9WIS** - Midwest ### and I will be the net control operator for this evening. This is a directed net.

Any, and all communications on this repeater during a directed net must be cleared by the Net control operator

During a severe weather event, when a MidWest net is active, the net control operators will only take reports from amateur radio operators that have successfully completed at least the Basic Spotter training as outlined by MidWest SSTRC Inc.,

… a similar recognized training coarse within the past two years or have demonstrated their abilities during this last calendar year.

MidWest SSTRC operates as 75 relay for Dane, Rock and Iowa counties within the KMKX weather forecast area.

(BREAK) **WX9WIS**

(let repeaters drop)

We will now start the radio check-in portion of tonight's net.

You need not be a member of MidWest SSTRC to participate in tonight check in.

To properly check in, listen for net control to indicate the first letter in your call sign.

Then respond with your MidWest number followed by the words **check in**. If you do not have a MidWest number please use your call sign instead.

Then unkey and net control will give you the go ahead to proceed with your check in. Make sure to end your report with your call sign.

Do not proceed with your check in until net control clears with the current station and asks for the next station to check in.

(BREAK) **WX9WIS**

(let repeaters drop)

Stations checking in must use the **4 W’s format**.

This is the same protocol that spotters must use when submitting a report to the MidWest Net Control Operator during severe weather events.

**Who** - who Observed the Meteorological Event.

MW members must use their MidWest Number and Call Sign if they have one. Non MidWest members must use their call sign.

**What** - stands for the Meteorological / Hydrological Event Observed. The current weather conditions at your location.

**When** - stands for When Did the Meteorological/Hydrological Event Occur, or Is It Currently Happening. This is the time that you check in started in 12-hour format or the time the weather event occurred.

**Where** - stands where did the Meteorological/Hydrological Event Happen, or Where is it Happening? Where you are transmitting from right now using the NWS approved methods, such as Street Address, Town/City and Always include the County. Lat & Long/GPS coordinates, or the NWS approved distance (to the closest 1/10 mile, if possible) and direction using the \*\*16-point compass format (North-Northeast, South-Southwest, etc.) from a valid reference, followed by the county.

(BREAK) **WX9WIS**

(let repeaters drop)

If you have traffic for tonight net, indicate so at the end of your check in. Traffic must be MidWest information or Weather information only.

Traffic for the net will be handled at the end of the MidWest check in. Net control will call upon participants that do have traffic for the net in the order they were received during the check in process.

Remember, one station at a time and allow time for the net control operator to record the information and ask for the next check in.

(BREAK) **WX9WIS**

(let repeaters drop)

I will now take check-ins from stations with call signs beginning with the letter **A**:

**A-Alpha**, please check in now. (wait 10 - 15 second for check-ins)

Hearing no further stations, I will now take check-ins from stations with call signs beginning with the letter **K**.

**K-Kilo**, please check in now. (wait 10 - 15 second for check-ins)

Hearing no further stations, I am **WX9WIS** and I am the Net Control Operator conducting the MidWest SSTRC Wednesday night net.

We will now continue check ins with call signs beginning with the letter **N**.

**N -November**, please check in now. (wait 10 - 15 second for check-ins)

Hearing no further stations, I will now take check-ins from stations with call signs beginning with the letter **W**.

**W-Whiskey**, please check in now. (wait 10 - 15 second for check-ins)

Hearing no further stations Net Control now opens the net to any station that wishes to check in, but has not done so yet, to please check in now.

(BREAK) **WX9WIS**

(let repeaters drop)

This concludes the check in portion of tonight net.

This is **WX9WIS**

**\*\*TRAFFIC PORTION\*\***

(skip if no traffic indicated during check in)

We will now move into the traffic portion of tonight’s net.

Traffic will be that of MidWest, followed and called upon in the order of which the traffic was received.

Priority traffic should be MidWest and or weather related. All traffic is welcome.

I will now call out the call signs of those that indicated that they had traffic for the net. Please keep your traffic brief and to the point.

(allow stations with traffic to proceed)

(BREAK) **WX9WIS**

(let repeaters drop)

**\*\*MIDWEST ANNOUNCEMENTS\*\***

The MidWest Severe Storm Tracking/Response Center General Meetings are generally held on the third Monday evening of each Month. The current General Meeting and or Training Dates can be seen at the MidWest web site, **www.midwestsstrc.org**

The next MidWest General Meeting is

**Date and Time**

**Location:** (with exception)

Monona Community Center

Main Hall

1011 Nichols Road

Monona, WI Dane Co

MidWest SSTRC welcomes anyone who is interested in helping their community or educating themselves about weather.

Our members do receive training from several different sources including the National Weather Service.

If you wish to become a member of Midwest SSTRC Inc. please visit our website at **www.midwestsstrc.org**.

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You may also indicate your interest in joining MidWest SSTRC Inc. after tonight's net by visiting **www.midwestssttrc.org**

(BREAK) **WX9WIS**

(let repeaters drop)

**\*\*END THE NET\*\***

I will now end tonight's MidWest Severe Storm Tracking Response Center net.

I would like to thank the owners and operators of the repeaters for allowing MidWest the use of them during tonight's net.

MidWest SSTRC Inc. would also like to thank our fellow amateur radio operators for allowing us to use this time and for their cooperation and participation.

This is **WX9WIS,** KC9GQS (your call sign) \* personal

(\***use Your Call Sign**)

Midwest 107\*\* clear.

**(\*\*use Your MW Number**)