

DAR talkpoints

Net, Net Control

In CERT environment, traffic is between NC & field Operator (closed net) in most cases.

NC announces that they are opening a net (script available)

What is a Tactical name?

Health and Welfare

Why? We care, and DSW – Must be under supervision

Practice by calling on each team. (When I call you state your tactical name)

Sending a DA report

Hand out forms to everyone with only 2 lines filled in. – they can look at them as you explain how to transmit, and they can use the rest of the form later to copy reports when we break into groups and talk within the group.

General principles for all message forms

Send from top to bottom, left to right

Pause roughly every 5 words or equivalent, wait for ACK

Say numbers one digit at a time (addresses on DA form)

Say “end of message” or “end of report” when done.

Reminder: Stop and Listen, say who you’re calling, wait for ACK,

Send from left to right

NOTE: Incident number will be blank (NC gives you one at the end of your report)

Time is written, but not transmitted — (NC writes the time they heard it,)

“Reported by” field operator makes a check mark when reported, NC will record which team reported it.

“Priority” was given when team called NC. If not, then report priority.

Say the category first (Location, Fire, Hazard...), then the contents. Only report categories with content.

Location: give the address one digit at a time. Pause (release PTT) when done so NC can ask for fills or tell you “go”
Say “End of report” when done. Wait for NC to give you the incident number and write it down. You can acknowledge that by saying something like “copy that, team alpha”.

(Note that you may be only sending priority messages – depends on your CERT policy and how many teams are in the field..)

*Demo the first line or two (command, team alpha, with a priority message....)
(Leslie- field, Tim - NC)*

Call on volunteers to deliver one of the lines in a report that Leslie will hand them. The whole group listens, Leslie/Tim NC and give feedback.

Use the form with all the lines filled in. Hand it to the volunteer to transmit one of the lines. Leslie/Tim NC and give feedback to volunteer/class.

After 2-3 successful ones, form small teams and have them report to each other, writing down the result. Provide a fully-filled out form. One person talks (no radio) and the rest write. Take turns in each team so everyone gets a chance to be NC.