COSHOCTON COUNTY SKYWARN NETWORK Severe Weather Net PREAMBLE

Should any spotter find themselves in a situation where they are the only station capable of assuming Net Control then they should take it. The following **Preamble** is provided for these type situations. *Initialize Calling Tree appropriate for Coshocton Co Skywarn, Enable repeater link, bring Echolink up. all prior to warnings issued.*

Identify First:

"This is ______" (insert call sign here), "Net Control for the <u>Coshocton County</u> <u>Skywarn Network."</u>

State the situation and response: Announce any known Watches or Warnings and the Net Mode.

"This is a Directed Net, and this Station shall serve as Net Control." NCS keep a log of all contacts with comments and report to the EC as soon as possible.

"Stations wishing to join the net, give your <u>call sign</u> and <u>location</u>." during standby mode. (No check-ins taken during warnings) <u>Appoint Backup Net Control</u>!

"Are there any stations experiencing SEVERE WEATHER at this time according to NWS Pittsburgh Criteria?"

"Is there a station that can Monitor the ______ Repeater and act as a Liaison?" Frequencies of interest: 147.045,146.490, Harrison co.146.665 pl 114.8, and repeaters from direction of Wx. A station needs to monitor NWS radars :Wilmington-Cleveland-Pittsburgh. <u>A station</u> needs to maintain liaison and send immediate reports to the Coshocton Co. EMA.

Maintain a <u>liaison station to send reports to Pittsburgh NWS</u> and have someone monitor the Pittsburgh NWS broadcast on 162.425 or 162.475.

After all warnings and watches have expired, close the Net. <u>TU to all</u>.

Maintain net operation by announcement every ten minutes:

- "This is ______ (insert call sign) for COSHOCTON COUNTY SKYWARN NETWORK."
- "Are there any reports of SEVERE WEATHER at this time?"
- "Any stations wishing to check in, give your call sign and location." (Used during Standby mode). During SEVERE WX MODE no check-ins are taken.
- When closing the Net it is considered proper to: "I thank all stations participating and the repeater owner/operators/trustees for its use."

Spotters participate in SKYWARN activities at their own risk! Use common sense when driving in hazardous weather conditions and be aware of dangers associated with severe weather. Your safety and families safety and the safety of others should be Your first priority.

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