SHINGLETOWN EMERGENCY RADIO (SER)

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SUBJECT:

NON HAMS AND EMERGENCY TRAFFIC – REPORTING FIRE.

[FOR EMERGENCY TRAFFIC USE PLAIN ENGLISH]

[Note: This could apply to any type of emergency – e.g., heart attack, stroke, vehicle accident involving serious bodily injury, etc... .

For this illustration a "fire" is used as the example]

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If you would appreciate it if others are on frequency when you need help, then you need to be on frequency when someone else needs help. This is community mutual assistance. For this to work, radio operators need to Monitor the Scan Plan 24/7.

NON HAMS AND EMERGENCY COMMUNICAIONS

YOU ARE NOT A LICENSED HAM AND NOT ALLOWED TO USE HAM RADIO FREQUENCIES. BUT IN AN EMERGENCY YOU CAN USE THE HAM FREQUENCIES FOR ESSENTIAL COMMUNICATION NEEDS IN CONNECTION WITH THE IMMEDIATE SAFETY OF HUMAN LIFE AND IMMEDIATE PROTECTION OF PROPERTY WHEN NORMAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS ARE NOT AVAILABLE.

SHINGLETOWN EMERGENCY RADIO PLAN (SER)

YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD RADIO PLAN INCLUDES THE SHINGLETOWN EMERGENCY RADIO HAM SCAN PLAN FREQUENCIES. THEY ARE AT YOUR RADIO CHANNELS # 55 AND 58.

REMEMBER: PROPAGATION IMPACTS YOUR ABILITY TO COMMUNICATE. YOU MAY HAVE TO CHANGE YOUR LOCATION FOR GOOD COMMUNICATIONS (SOMETIMES MOVING ONLY A COUPLE OF FEET OR SO HELPS). A GOOD ANTENNA IS ESSENTIAL.

EXAMPLE - OVERVIEW

ASSUME: YOU ARE IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD, A HOUSE IS ON FIRE, AND YOU CAN'T REACH 911 (NO CELL RECEPTION AND NO OTHER MEANS TO REACH 911).

TURN TO CH 55 (760) (IF CAN REACH THAT HAM REPEATER, OTHERWISE TRY CH 58 (505).

THINK BEFORE YOU TRANSMIT.

PRESS THE PTT AND HOLD FOR ABOUT 1 TO 2 SECONDS BEFORE YOU START TO SPEAK – THIS ALLOWS RADIOS SCANNING THE SER SCAN PLAN TO ARRIVE ON THE CHANNEL YOU ARE ON.

TONE THE EMERGENCY ALERT TONE (LONG TONE "T") (IF NOT ABLE, CONTINUE, AS BELOW)

YOU SAY - "EMERGENCY EMERGENCY - ON 760, OVER".

[THIS IDENTIFIES THE FREQUENCY YOU ARE ON FOR THOSE LISTENING. USE LAST 3 DIGITS OF THE FREQUENCY APPEARING IN THE RADIO WINDOW SINCE YOU ARE SEEKING HELP FROM ANY HAM OPERATOR. THEY WON'T KNOW YOUR CHANNEL NUMBER]. [IF YOU ARE ON 505 SIMPLEX, YOU WOULD SAY "ON 505".

RELEASE PTT - ALLOW 30 SECONDS OR SO FOR SOMEONE TO RESPOND.

IF NO RESPONSE, REPEAT. IT TAKES TIME FOR OPERATORS TO GET TO THEIR RADIO.

[CONTINUING WITH EXAMPLE ON HOW A COMMUNICATION MIGHT BE DONE]

HAM STATION RESPONDS : EMERGENCY TRAFFIC – GO AHEAD.

YOU SAY : HOUSE FIRE, NEED RELAY TO 911, CAN YOU HELP?

HAM STATION : YES, WHAT IS LOCATION OF FIRE?

YOU SAY : LOCATION – 1234 Follow Directions Rd. Shingletown – OVER

HAM STATION : ROGER, PLEASE STAND BY WHILE I CALL 911, OVER.

YOU SAY : ROGER. [AFTER YOUR "ROGER", HAM MAY GIVE HIS CALL SIGN, EXAMPLE - K6PDS]

HAM STATION [AFTER CALL TO 911]: I HAVE CALLED 911, WHAT IS YOUR NAME?

YOU SAY [YOU GIVE YOUR NAME] : NAME HERE IS "BOB"

HAM STATION : OKAY BOB, I AM GOING TO STAY ON FREQUENCY, MAKE SURE

YOU ARE IN A SAFE LOCATION - OVER

YOU SAY : ROGER:

HAM STATION : K6PDS STANDING BY.

[YOU MAY DECIDE TO ACTIVATE YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD ALERT FREQUECY DEPENDING ON SITUATION. BE PROFESSIONAL, AND CALMLY ADVISE OF THE SITUATION].

THIS BRIEF PRESENTATION COVERED HOW TO REPORT A FIRE BY RELAY IN AN EMERGENCY

UNTIL NEXT TIME - THIS IS K6PDS, OUT 73