

LEVEL 1 - INFORMATION GATHERING [SMOKE REPORTS – WITH RELAY NET CONTROL(S)]

**FORMAT SCRIPT -
TRAINING SCRIPT 201- SMOKE REPORTS
[RELAY OF SMOKE REPORTS]**

NOTE: Use FORMAT TANGO 4 TO RECORD SMOKE REPORTS.

NOTE: IF this is a DRILL – be sure and state - “This is a drill – there is no emergency” during exercise. Be sure to announce during exercise.

Note: Be sure to identify your station in conformity with FCC rules.

<<SITUATION>>

Net Control is already conducting a Smoke Report Net, and asks another station to act as relay for Net Control. This will generally be requested after Net Control has requested SMOKE REPORTS [which is at the end of SCRIPT 101 (BEFORE CLOSING OF NET) :

<<START>>

NET CONTROL: “reminder to all stations, we are using FORMAT TANGO 4.”

NET CONTROL: “[call sign] this is NET CONTROL.”

STATION WHICH WILL BE ASKED TO BE A RELAY STATION: “THIS IS [call sign]”

NET CONTROL: “Will you act as relay for Net Control and take Smoke Reports (your TACTICAL is VIOLA RELAY)? [NET CONTROL will have already determined QTH of the relay station].

VIOLA RELAY: “WILCO, OUT”

VIOLA RELAY: **“QST QST QST”** "This is __ (your FCC call sign) __, VIOLA RELAY acting as relay for The SHINGLETOWN AREA SMOKE REPORT NET which has been activated. We have reports of smoke.”

[NOTE: THERE MAY BE MORE THAN ONE RELAY NET CONTROL, E.G., "VIOLA RELAY", "COTTONWOOD RELAY", "INWOOD RELAY", ETC... - THE TACTICAL CALL IDENTIFIES THE RELAY STATIONS LOCATION]. [ANY STATION SHOULD BE PREPARED TO ACT AS RELAY FOR NET CONTROL – AS "PREPLANNED RELAYS" MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN A DISASTER. IN THIS ILLUSTRATION – WE ARE USING THE NAME "VIOLA RELAY" FOR THE RELAY STATION – YOURS MAY BE DIFFERENT.]

"Are there any stations which see a fire or know the location of a fire, please call now."

[If a station reports a fire – obtain location of the fire and call 911, if that station has not already done so – you can then announce over the Net that the location has been reported to 911 and closing the relay portion of the Net. You must then relay such INFORMATION TO NET CONTROL. – WHO WILL THEN CLOSE THE NET, or take other action as necessary].

[If no station responds to knowing the location of a fire, then proceed].

VIOLA RELAY: "Nothing heard, are there any relays?"

VIOLA RELAY: "We will now gather snapshot of information regarding REPORTS OF SMOKE in our area. I am ready to receive reports from any operator who has information as to smelling or not smelling smoke, seeing or not seeing fire and / or smoke, or other relevant information."

"We want observations only from your current locations--do not go looking for problems."

"When calling in, give your call sign SUFFIX only. I will take stations in groups of 5 before collecting your reports". "GO SLOWLY AND CLEARLY, AS NET CONTROL MUST RECORD YOUR INFORMATION."

"First five call signs [call sign SUFFIX ONLY], please call now."

[VIOLA RELAY Records the call signs (and later the reports) on the SMOKE CHECK REPORT log [USE **FORMAT TANGO 4**].

[Example - write in on **FORMAT TANGO 4** the call SUFFIXS'S as stations check in):

Station: " PDS"

VIOLA RELAY: "next station"

Station: " XYZ"

VIOLA RELAY: "next station"

Station: "UFZ"

VIOLA RELAY: "next station"

Station: "ACG"

VIOLA RELAY: "next station"

Station: "DJK"

[and after fifth call sign],

VIOLA RELAY:- *(IF APPLICABLE STATE – "this is a drill")*.

VIOLA RELAY: "all stations wait. Station PDS, your call sign and report please.

Station: " This is "K6PDS MY LOCATION IS HIGHWAY figures 44 MI MARKER 26" [pause]

"SMOKE VISIBLE, NORTH OF MY LOCATION figures 2 MILES" [OR ..."X DEGREES FROM MY LOCATION...]" [pause]

"SMOKE ODOR STRONG" [pause]

"WIND IS OUT OF NORTH EAST" [pause]

"WIND SPEED figures 10 MPH" [pause]

"FLAMES NOT VISIBLE [call sign] . [pause]

VIOLA RELAY: "Roger".

VIOLA RELAY: "station XYZ, go ahead".

Station: "This is JCK6XYZ, MY LOCATION IS [follow above format of response...]"

VIOLA RELAY: "Roger".

VIOLA RELAY: "station UFZ, go ahead".

Station: " This is FG6UFZ, MY LOCATION IS"

VIOLA RELAY: "Roger".

[and so continue...]

(IF APPLICABLE STATE – "this is a drill").

VIOLA RELAY: "next 5 stations your call sign and report please call now".

[repeat the above as many times as necessary]

[and so continue]

VIOLA RELAY: "are there any other STATIONS WITH SMOKE REPORTS PLEASE CALL NOW"

(IF APPLICABLE STATE – "this is a drill)".

[if nothing heard]

VIOLA RELAY: "nothing heard, are there any relays?"

[if no further reports]

VIOLA RELAY: "NET CONTROL, this is VIOLA RELAY:"

NET CONTROL: "Go ahead".

VIOLA RELAY: "I HAVE RELAY SMOKE REPORTS. ARE YOU READY?" [OR "QRV?"]

NET CONTROL: "I AM READY" [OR "QRV"]

VIOLA RELAY: "VIOLA RELAY – PAGE 1, LINE 1"

"Column ALPHA HIGHWAY figures 44 MI MARKER xx ,

Column BRAVO mixed group k6xyz,

Column DELTA SMOKE check NOVEMBER WISKEY figures 3 ,

Column GOLF check,

Column JULIET NOVEMBER WISKEY,

Column KILO figure 5 ,

Column NOVEMBER check, BREAK."

"LINE 2

Column ALPHA (and so continue) ... Column Mike check. BREAK"

[AND SO CONTINUE...]

VIOLA RELAY: "VIOLA RELAY - PAGE 2, LINE 1" [AND SO CONTINUE...]

VIOLA RELAY: "End, no more. [your call sign]".

NET CONTROL: "ROGER" OR "SMOKE CHECK RELAY ACKNOWLEDGED"

NET CONTROL: "are there any other STATIONS WITH SMOKE REPORTS PLEASE CALL NOW"

[IF NOTHING HEARD]

NET CONTROL: "nothing heard, are there any relays?"

Net Control – CLOSING NET:

**Net Control: "This is (your call sign) closing the SMOKE REPORT Net at (time)-
_____hours. This Repeater [or frequency] is now returned to normal
operation. (your call sign) CLEAR."**

**NOTE: NET CONTROL(S) THEN NEED TO MAP RESULTS AND REPORT TO CAL FIRE (RECOMMENDED –
BOTH PHONE AND DELIVERY TO LOCAL CAL FIRE STATION – OBEY ALL TRAFFIC LAWS AND BE SAFE!).**

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