NCTC WEEKLY NET SCRIPT

<u>Welcome</u>

Good evening and welcome to the North Central Texas Information Net hosted by the NCTC Link System. This is __[call sign]____, __[name]____, in __[city]____. This net meets every Thursday evening at 8:00pm local time. We invite and encourage all properly licensed radio amateurs to participate. (UNKEY/RESET)

The NCTC is an open link system across North Texas for recreational use. However, during times of inclement weather, the Fort Worth National Weather Service radio desk and spotters have priority over ALL routine and recreational communications on the network. When inclement weather and SKYWARN operations are expected or in-progress in the North Texas region, all users should keep the system free for NWS. **Please read and follow the System Protocols found on NCTC.INFO**. (UNKEY/RESET)

This is a directed net. Please obtain authorization from this net control station before calling another station in the network. Stations with an emergency may interrupt the net at any time with a "Break Break" transmission. We will take check-ins by group, specific repeaters or internet connections in order to minimize doubling and fills. (UNKEY/RESET)

Check-Ins

1) Is there anyone with a new ham radio license; license upgrade; or who has never before checked into this net. Please come with your call. (COPY, ACKNOWLEDGE & TRAFFIC)

2) Are there any check-ins from repeater owners / administrators of the NCTC Link System. Please come with your call. (COPY, ACKNOWLEDGE & TRAFFIC)

3) Is there anyone with any announcements for the net such as hamfests or for sale items? Please come with your call. (COPY, ACKNOWLEDGE & TRAFFIC)

4) At this time we'll take check-ins by repeater. Please do not check in multiple times on several repeaters unless there are no other stations on the repeater being called. [refer to repeater list on NCTC.INFO and pass over any repeaters that are indicated as offline]. (COPY, ACKNOWLEDGE & TRAFFIC)

5) Do we have any check-ins from repeater systems outside the NCTC, such as ETECS or NESTxLINK. Please come with your call. (COPY, ACKNOWLEDGE & TRAFFIC)

6) Do we have any check-ins via Allstar, WiresX or Echolink? Please come with your call. (COPY, ACKNOWLEDGE & TRAFFIC) Last call for any stations anywhere that have not checked in yet or rechecks. (COPY, ACKNOWLEDGE & TRAFFIC)

<u>Closing</u>

I want to thank everyone for participating tonight. We had ______ stations participating tonight. Please come back again next Thursday night at 8:00pm. More information on the North Central Texas Connection can be obtained at NCTC.INFO or on Facebook at "NCTC Radio". Please refrain from using the NCTC system for 15 to 30 minutes after the net to give the repeaters time to cool down. This is ____[call sign]___ closing this net session and returning the NCTC to normal amateur use.

Suggestions for Net Control

1) Give feedback to users that have poor signals, hard to understand, or fail to follow good operating procedures.

2) Keep the net moving, try to complete the net in an hour or less.

3) Be sure to allow the repeaters to drop and reset from time to time during exchanges.

4) Some net control stations like to use net logger - - be more focused on operating the radio and running the net than the computer. Invite and allow others to fill in the blanks on net logger.