

Brunswick County Winlink Net

Session #017

Net Session Start: Monday May 25th at 12:01 AM

Net Session End: Saturday June 6th at 11:59 PM

Send your completed Winlink message to: K1MJJ@winlink.org or just K1MJJ

Notice:

- Please maintain your monthly ICS 214a for the month of May stating the time you spend working on the Winlink exercise(s) you have completed for the month of May. I will ask for the 214a at the end of the month.
- Please keep all Winlink correspondence for the month of May exercises in a separate folder within Winlink. If you do so, then it will be straightforward to collect them in an ICS 309 communication log to send to me at the end of the month.
 - I have sent all of you a document on how to create a personal folder within Winlink
- You should have the two documents that I sent to you explaining how to create an ICS 309 document within Winlink and the document explaining how we will use an ICS 214a.
 - If you don't have either or both documents, then send me an email and I will provide them to you.

You should also have a blank writable ICS 214a PDF that I sent to you. If you don't, then send me an email and I will send you a copy.

The Scenario:

- This exercise will deal with the "I am safe msg".
 - It is my opinion that one of the best ways to relieve the stress that a person may be feeling during a crisis situation (be it nature or man-made) is for them to let family and friends who are far away know that they are safe.
 - During a crisis situation it may be difficult to reach distant family and friends. Communications in the crisis area may be compromised; Internet may be down; cell service may be down. Winlink using RF can

jump over this hurdle and reconnect with the Internet in an area that is not affected by the current crisis.

- We can help people connect with distant families and friends. One way is to use the “I am safe msg”. Another way is to use Radiograms. We will explore Radiograms in another exercise.

Steps to complete this exercise:

1. Create a new message.
2. Select the template RRI Quick Welfare Message.txt
 - a. Standard Forms → Radiogram & RRI Forms → RRI Quick Welfare Message.txt
3. For your knowledge: I recommend you click “Operator Info – Read Please”
4. From First Name: *Enter your first name*
5. From Last Name: *Enter your last name*
6. Date: *Click the box to enter the current date*
7. To Email: K1MJJ@winlink.org
8. Add a Cell phone number: *Leave this box blank*
9. In the comment section state:
 - a. This is an exercise!!!
 - b. Your call sign, first name, town, county, state, Band & Mode you will use
 - c. If you are sending by RF
 - i. Enter the RMS callsign and its distance from your QTH
 - d. Click on the link: “*Click here to insert short prepared messages*”
 - i. Insert one or two of the quick messages as the last line(s) in the comment section.
10. Check your work
11. Submit the Quick message
12. Send To: K1MJJ
13. Post the message to Outbox
14. Send your work to me via Telnet, VHF Packet, Vara FM or Vara HF.

Folks if you can please try to send me your work via RF. The only way you will be comfortable using the radio with Winlink is to practice.

Have fun and learn from this exercise.

Please send me any questions you have to my Winlink account or to K1MJJ.Ham@gmail.com.

15. Good luck!!!