



## Cherokee County ARES/AUXCOM/RACES

### Recommended Net Check-In List

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Cherokee ARES Members are strongly encouraged to participate in all county and state ARES nets each week. Regular participation ensures your equipment is operating properly at all times across a variety of modes and frequencies. It also helps you to be familiar with net operating procedures at all levels, and you stay aware of familiar call signs for operators you may need to make contact with during an emergency operation.

In addition members are encouraged to occasionally participate in "neighboring nets" in counties with borders touching Cherokee county and other mission related nets. This reinforces the relationships we need to have with neighboring county ARES groups, we stay on top of developments in those counties, and it ensures our radios are programmed to make contact with outside resources and stations during an emergency operation.

#### Cherokee County Nets:

##### **Monday Nights:**

**7:30 PM – Cherokee Winlink Net:** Send check-in message to WX4AUX via RF through one of the local Winlink Gateways if possible, via RMS Express Telnet Session, or to [WX4AUX@winlink.org](mailto:WX4AUX@winlink.org) (remember to use //WL2K at the front of your subject line). Rotating NCS. Be sure to include your call sign, your name, and your location. Messages can be sent any time prior to about 7:45 and your call sign will be listed in the check-ins on the VHF net below.

**7:30 PM – Cherokee FLDIGI Net:** (General Class and above) tune in to 3.583 USB at around 1000 on the waterfall, set your operational mode to PSK-125 and check in with the NCS running the net that night. Rotating NCS.

**8:00 PM – Cherokee VHF Net: 145.430 (+) PL 107.2 ENC/DEC – Main Cherokee ARES Weekly Net** – Check-ins followed by ARES or AUXCOM related training discussion. Rotating NCS.

#### Metro- Atlanta ARES District Net:

**4:00 PM – First Sunday of each month.** Main Metro Atlanta District ARES Net for all counties in the district. 145.430 (+) PL 107.2 ENC/DEC – Listen for check-in groups for each county and check-in. Rotating County NCS. Cherokee controls the July net.

#### Georgia ARES Statewide Nets:

##### **Sunday Afternoon/Evening:**

**21:00 UTC\* - Georgia ARES Statewide Winlink Net:** Send check-in message to the GEMA State Operations Center (SOC) at WX4GMA via RF through one of the local Winlink Gateways if possible, via RMS Express Telnet Session, or to [WX4GMA@winlink.org](mailto:WX4GMA@winlink.org) via regular e-mail (remember to use //WL2K at the front of your subject line). Rotating NCS. Be sure to include your call sign, your name, and that you're from Cherokee County. Messages can be sent any time prior to about 21:45 and your call sign will be listed in the check-ins on the SSB net below.

**21:00 UTC\* - Georgia ARES Statewide Digital Net:** (General Class or Above) - Tune in to 3.583 USB and set your Operational Mode to PSK-63 at around 1000 on the waterfall and check in with the NCS running the net that night. Rotating NCS. Check-in format (which you can set up a macro in FLDIGI to do for you) is CALLSIGN CALLSIGN NAME NAME COUNTY COUNTY. Occasionally there will be direction from the NCS to move to a different spot on the waterfall to exchange traffic with another station.

**22:00 UTC\* - Georgia ARES Statewide SSB Net:** (General Class or Above) – Tune in to 3.975 LSB. NCS (usually K4GK – Charles Pennington, State Traffic Manager) will make statewide announcements and call for check-in's in a specific order. Check in with your CALLSIGN and advise you are from Cherokee County.

**\*Note:** Nets are always at 21:00 or 22:00 UTC and do not change when we change to or from EDT to EST and back. During EDT the SSB net is at 6:00 PM and during EST it's at 5:00 PM local. Winlink and Digital nets are always 1 hour before the SSB net. Keep an eye on your UTC to EDT/EST conversion.

**The first Sunday of every month is "Emergency Power Sunday".** When you check in, advise net control that you are operating on emergency power (battery backup, solar, generator, etc.).

#### **Neighboring ARES or Skywarn Nets:**

Pickens County – Weekly, Sundays, 4:00 PM 145.370 (-) PL 103.5

Cobb County – Weekly, Monday, 8:00 PM 146.880 (-) PL 100.0

Gwinnet County – Weekly, Mondays, 8:30 PM 147.075 (+) PL 82.5

Bartow County – Weekly, Tuesdays, 8:00 PM 147.240 (+) PL 103.5

Forsyth County – Weekly, Tuesdays, 8:00 PM 147.15 (+) PL 141.3

Northwest Georgia ARES/CERT Net – Weekly, Tuesdays, 8:00 PM 146.805 (+) PL 100

Southeastern Linked Repeater Net (SKYWARN) – Weekly, Wednesdays, 9:00 PM 146.805 (+) PL 100 (See more info on linked repeaters at [www.selinkedrepeater.net](http://www.selinkedrepeater.net) )