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Message Passing



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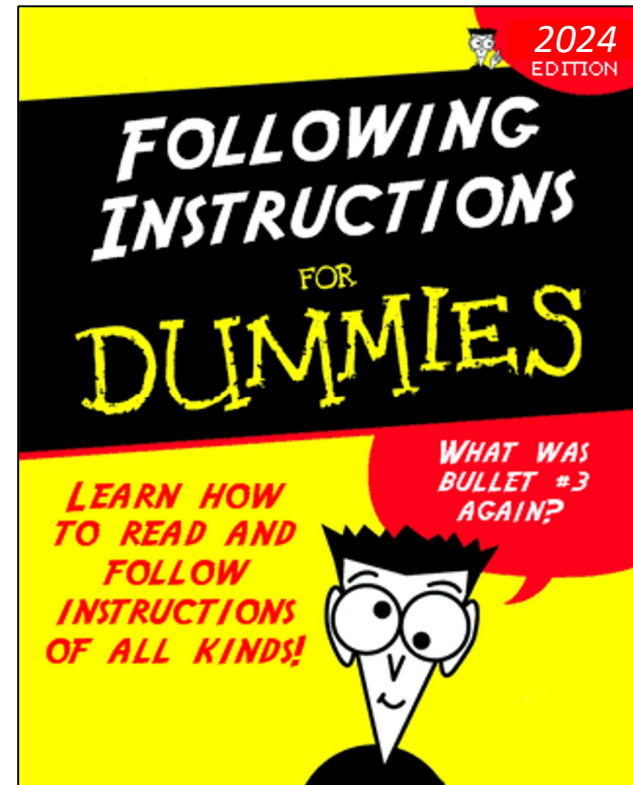
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Housekeeping

- Introductions
- Pen/pencil & paper
- Cell phones on mute
- Side conversations
- Questions
- Breaks
- Restrooms
- Do not wander within building
- In case of emergency



Agenda



- Being a Great Message Handler/Shared Procedure
- Practice (prowords, message passing techniques)
- Message Types
 - Operator-to-operator vs. 3rd party (spoken and written)
- Radio Routing Information
- Common Procedures
 - Announcing, Sending, Logging
- Form-specific Exercises
- Relaying Messages
- Problem Solving
- Exercises throughout ...

Learning Objectives

At the end of the class, you should be able to:

- Properly send, receive and log 3rd party written messages, including messages using formats that you haven't seen before

Fictitious Call Signs

Examples used in this class make use of fictitious call signs:

- W6XRL4: Herman Munster
 - Character in a 1960 TV show
 - We will treat it like a real FCC call sign, even though it doesn't have the correct format



- XNDEOC: City of Xanadu Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
 - We will treat it like a real tactical call sign
XND ECO



What does it take to be a great Message Handler?

- You need to be a great communicator,
 - com·mu·ni·cate: to transmit information, thought, or feeling so that it is satisfactorily received and understood
- For 3rd party messages, we don't decide what is “satisfactory”
- We need to deliver the message precisely
 - pre·cise·ly: 1. in a precise manner 2. exactly
- How is that possible?
 - Following shared, standard, procedures that EVERYONE is trained to use!

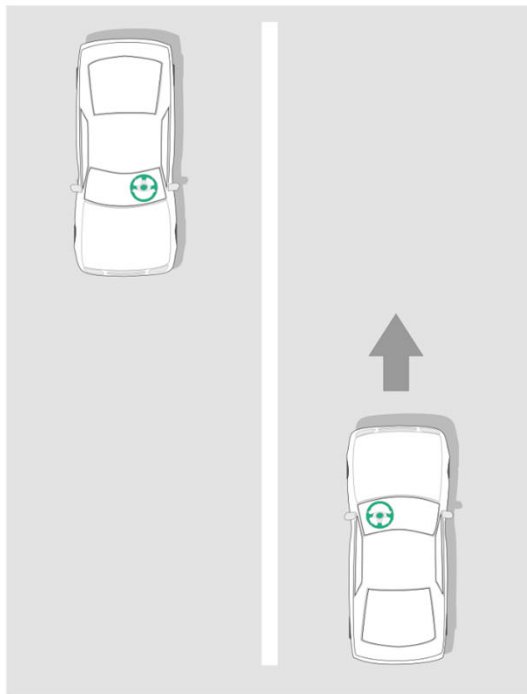
Shared Procedures

- If everyone uses the same shared procedures things run efficiently and accurately.
- If people use different procedures things are slowed down, we become less efficient, and errors occur.
- We use shared procedures that everyone utilizes every time.

Which is Correct?

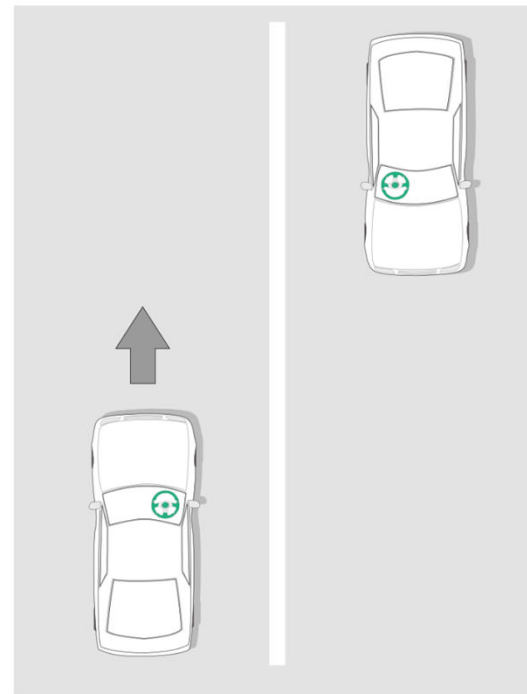
RIGHT-HAND TRAFFIC

- ★ CARS DRIVE ON **RIGHT**-SIDE OF ROAD
- ★ STEERING WHEEL ON **LEFT**-SIDE OF CAR



LEFT-HAND TRAFFIC

- ★ CARS DRIVE ON **LEFT**-SIDE OF ROAD
- ★ STEERING WHEEL ON **RIGHT**-SIDE OF CAR



HOMework

- Print and read [SCCo ARES/RACES Message Handling Procedures](#) (PDF) *[updated 06/28/2024]*
- Learn the prowords and techniques. Practice until you know them well. It's not hard but it does take time and must be done before class.
- We will not be teaching what is in that document, just reviewing it during class.
- We will have a practice session using material from this document during class.

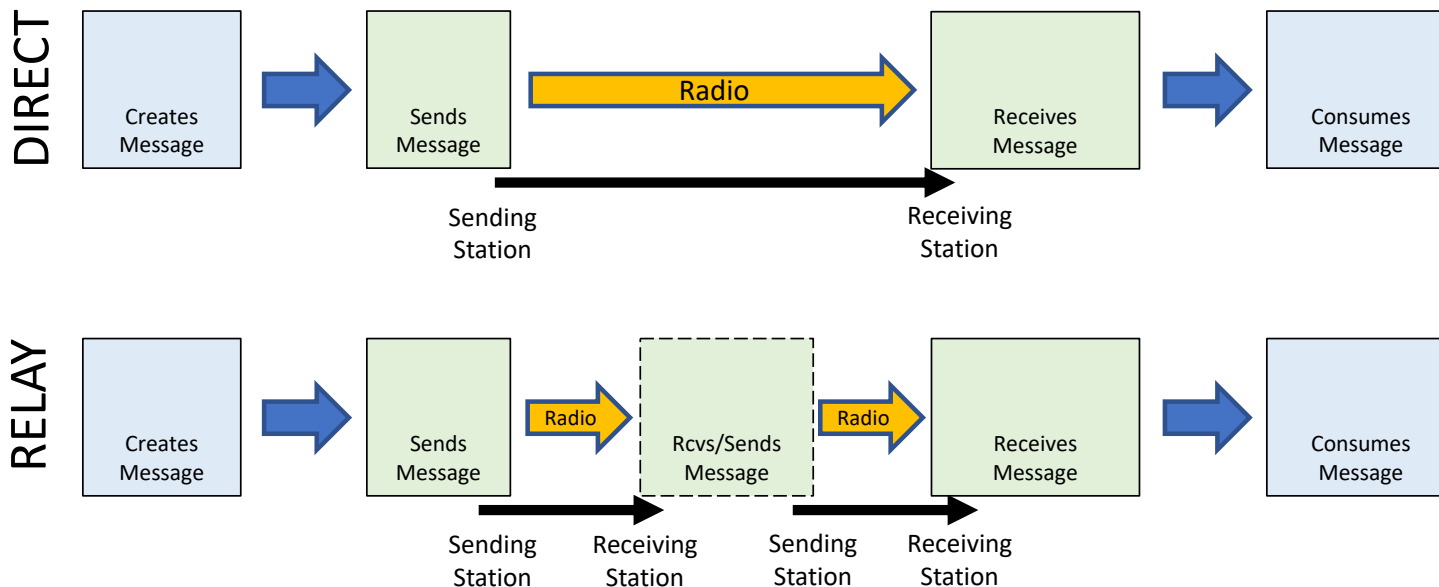
Take every opportunity to practice at Drills, Public Service Events, Weekly Nets, and the Quarterly Training Net.



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Message Handling Roles - Graphical



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Message Types

Operator-to-Operator vs. 3rd Party

Operator-to-Operator Messages

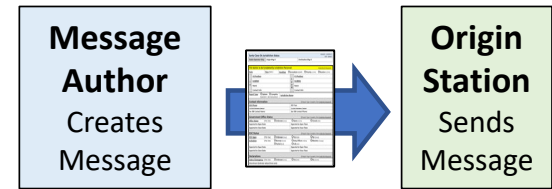
- Sent by and to other amateur radio operators
 - Message Author is the Origin Station
 - Destination Station is the Message Recipient
- Examples:
 - Check-In/Out, Health & Welfare, Status Updates, Damage Assessments
- Note: The info may be summarized and sent to a 3rd party
 - Crowd counts totaled and sent to event organizer
 - Mike-Mike report summaries delivered to EOC staff.
- But radio operators define their own format and content
- Always use proper prowords, prioritization
- Log all Operator-to-Operator messages on an ICS-309

3rd Party Messages

- 3rd Party messages are handled by amateur radio operators on behalf of our served agencies
- 3rd Party Message
 - Format is usually some type of form used by that agency
 - Content may include unfamiliar terms
 - To and From is typically an ICS position and location
 - Handling order is how quickly they need it sent
- Key: Radio operators must conform to 3rd party workflow
- Always use proper prowords, prioritization
- Also follow a common set of procedures

The ability to handle 3rd party traffic is a key difference between a Type IV and a Type III Credential.

3rd Party Written Messages



- 3rd Party written messages always use an appropriate form
 - General messages on ICS-213; resource requests on EOC-213RR; etc.
- If the message is not on the appropriate form:
 - Best: Ask the author to use the correct form
 - If they don't have one, provide it to them
 - Else: Transcribe the message to the form, asking the author to clarify as you go
 - Clarify spelling, other details
 - Last Resort: Staple to an appropriate form only if necessary
 - Papers can become detached, separated
 - Staples, paper clips, and odd paper sizes can cause problems when scanning/copying
 - Add Message Number and Form Type on top right of attached paper
- Log all 3rd Party written messages on an ICS-309 Comm Log

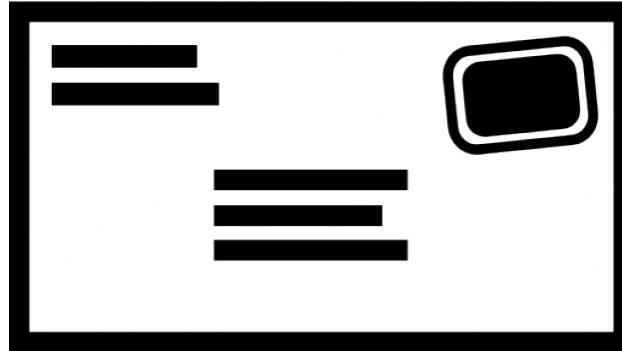
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3rd Party Spoken Messages



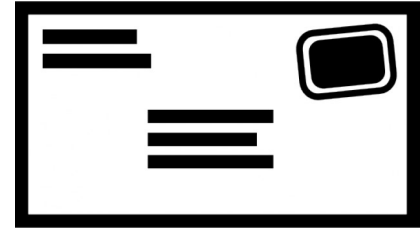
- For simple messages, handle as spoken
 - Example: Most messages between shadows are simple, spoken messages
 - “Ask Steven to call Jenny at 867-5309”
- Use your judgement
 - IF message is longer or more complicated
 - Such as: a complicated message that needs to be delivered exactly
 - OR if it needs routing information for delivery outside the radio room
 - Such as: a message to be delivered to an ICS position in an EOC
 - OR if the message should be tracked
 - Such as: the 3rd parties may need to refer to it again
 - THEN write it down on the appropriate form; handle as a written message
- Log all 3rd party spoken messages on an ICS-309 Comm Log
 - (Shadows can log on their ICS-214)



Radio Routing Information

The “Envelope” for 3rd Party Messages

Envelope Information



- “Envelope” information is needed for all 3rd party comms
 - Postal carriers: envelope
 - Package carriers: waybill
 - Fax machines: cover sheet
- Information needed
 - Who and where it’s going to
 - Who and where it came from
 - How fast it should be sent
 - Tracking info
- The same is true for messages sent via radio

Message Numbers

- Generally assigned by the served agency
- Format is XXX-NNN
 - where XXX is the agency code or assigned identifier
 - where NNN is a sequential number
- Examples:
 - XND-123 Xanadu EOC
 - SH5-904 Shelter 5
 - CP2-586 Checkpoint 2
- For today's exercises use your initials and a sequential number, i.e., ABC-100, ABC-101, ABC-102, ...

Radio Routing Information

- Written messages must have routing information that a radio operator needs to send, deliver, and track a message
 - Message Numbers
 - Date, Time
 - Handling Order
 - To/From
 - Radio Operator Info
- Some forms contain these fields

Example: ICS-213

MESSAGE FORM
 For paper: use ballpoint pen – blue or black ink only (See back for instructions)

Origin Msg #: Destination Msg #:

Handling: voice Immediate (ASAP) Priority (< 1hr) Routine (< 2hr)

Date: Time (2 hr):
(mm/dd/yyyy) (0001 to 2400)

This Message Requests You To: TAKE ACTION (✓one): yes No REPLY (✓one): yes by No

ICS Position: (required) F ICS Position: (required)
 T Location: (required) R Location: (required)
 O Name: (optional) M Name: (optional)
 Telephone #: (optional) Telephone #: (optional)

SUBJECT:

REFERENCE (e.g., Number of earlier msg.):

MESSAGE:

ACTION TAKEN:

CC: Management Operations Planning Logistics Finance

Operator Use Only:

Relay: Rcvd: Sent:

How: Received or Sent (✓one): Operator Call Sign:

Telephone Dispatch Center Operator Name:

EOC Radio FAX Courier

Amateur Radio Other Date: Time:

Outgoing Sent:

Message Originator: Send the original to radio. Retain a copy for your reference.
 Radio: After sending, complete Operator Use-Only and file in radio.
 Incoming (Resby):
 Radio: Complete Operator Use Only then route to the Addressee. Retain a copy in radio if directed by Supervisor.
 Addressee: Take appropriate action.

SCCo RACES ICS Form 213 (01/19/2022, fillable 3/31/2022)

Radio Routing Information (cont.)

- Some forms do NOT have all the fields we need to route a message via radio

Example: ICS-213RR

- Message Numbers:
- Date, Time:
- Handling Order:
- To/From:
- Radio Operator info:

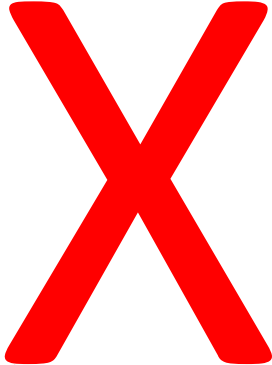
Example: ICS-213RR

County of Santa Clara Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Resource Request Form 213RR				
COMPLETED BY REQUESTOR				
1. Incident Name	2. Date Initiated	3. Time Initiated	4. Tracking Number <i>(Completed by OA EOC)</i>	
5. Requested By <i>(name, agency, position, email, phone)</i>		How to use the EOC Form 213RR Purpose The EOC 213RR is used to request non-mutual aid supplies, services, personnel, teams, equipment, utilities, fuel, facilities, or any other resource or incident management activity required from the Operational Area (OA). When to use The Form 213RR may be used anytime during any Operational Period. If the OA EOC is not activated the Duty Officer will serve to coordinate the request. Prepared by Any EOC position or agency requesting resources from the OA Approved by Section Chief of the requesting EOC or Supervising Official at requesting agency Routed to Planning Section → Logistics Section → Finance/Admin Section → EOC Director → Logistics Section Filed with Logistics Section Resource Tracking Unit / Planning Section Documentation Unit User Notes The Form 213RR is a two-sided form. Side one is completed by the requestor. Side two is completed by the OA EOC. Please check that both sides are available.		
6. Prepared by <i>(name, position, email, phone)</i>		7. Approved by <i>(name, position, email, phone)</i>		
Signature:				
REQUESTED RESOURCE DETAILS				
Requesting Agency / EOC Section	8. Qty/Unit	9. Resource Description <i>(kind/type, if applicable)</i>	10. Arrival <i>(date/time)</i>	11. Priority
				None <input type="radio"/> High (0-4 hours) <input type="radio"/> Medium (5-12 hours) <input type="radio"/> Low (12+ hours) <input type="radio"/>
	13. Deliver to <i>(name, agency, position, email, phone)</i>		14. Location <i>(address or location, size type)</i>	
	15. Substitute/Suggested Sources <i>(name, phone, website)</i>			
16. Supplemental Requirements <i>(include details in #17)</i>			17. Special Instructions	
<input type="checkbox"/> Equipment Operator <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Fuel Type _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Meals <input type="checkbox"/> Water			<input type="checkbox"/> Lodging <input type="checkbox"/> Power <input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	

We'll get back to this

Radio Routing Slip

- Use when sending or receiving a form that does not contain radio routing info
 - A place to write the missing fields
- NOT a substitute for an ICS-213 Message Form
 - Do NOT write a message on the Radio Routing Slip
- Instructions on back
 - Short version of Message Author instructions also on front

Santa Clara County RACES -- Radio Routing Slip				Rev: 190527
Radio Operator Only:		¹ Origin Msg #:	Destination Msg #:	
This Section to be Completed by Message Author/Creator: (Underlined=Required)				
² Date:	³ Time (24hr):	⁴ Handling: <input type="radio"/> Immediate (ASAP) <input type="radio"/> Priority (<1 hr) <input type="radio"/> Routine (<2 hr)		
⁵ ICS Position:		⁹ ICS Position:		
⁶ Location:		¹⁰ Location:		
⁷ Name:		¹¹ Name:		
⁸ Contact Info:		¹² Contact Info:		
Form:	¹³ Type:	¹⁴ Topic:		
Instructions for Message Author/Creator: 1. Complete section above, surrounded by BOLD line (see instructions on back) 2. Fill in all Required fields 3. Attach to the front of a form to be sent via radio 4. Deliver to radio operator for transmission				
Radio Operator Only:				
Relay:	Rcvd:	Sent:		
Name:	Call Sign:	Date:	Time (24hr):	
				
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Connecting Form and Routing Slip

- Attach routing slip to the front of the form being sent/received
 - Staples, ...
- Write Origin Msg Nbr on the top right of the agency's form
 - Helps you find the corresponding Routing Slip if it becomes detached
- Write Form Type / Topic on the Routing Slip
 - Helps you find the corresponding form if it becomes detached

County of Santa Clara
Emergency Operations Center (EOC)
Resource Request Form 213BP

Santa Clara County RACES -- Radio Routing Slip Rev: 190527

Radio Operator Only: **1** Origin Msg #: Destination Msg #:

This Section to be Completed by Message Author/Creator: (Underlined=Required)

2 Date:	3 Time (24hr):	4 Handling: <input type="radio"/> Immediate (ASAP) <input type="radio"/> Priority (<1 hr) <input type="radio"/> Routine (<2 hr)	9 ICS Position:
5 ICS Position:	6 Location:	7 Name:	10 Location:
8 Contact Info:	11 Name:	12 Contact Info:	13 Topic:
Form:	14 Type:	15 Topic:	

Instructions for Message Author/Creator:

1. Complete section above, surrounded by BOLD line (see instructions on back)
2. Fill in all Required fields
3. Attach to the front of a form to be sent via radio
4. Deliver to radio operator for transmission

Radio Operator Only:

Relay:	Rcvd:	Sent:	
Name:	Call Sign:	Date:	Time (24hr):

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What Routing Info Should be Entered?

- The author of a 3rd party message may not know the proper Handling Order or TO address
 - They usually enter their data into an online system (WebEOC)
 - The “system” handles it from there
 - Not sure which “ICS Position” should get the message (varies by form)
- They may not know how quickly it should be sent (**Handling Order**)
- Radio operators may not know either

² Date:		³ Time (24hr):	⁴ Handling: <input type="radio"/> Immediate (ASAP) <input type="radio"/> Priority (<1 hr) <input type="radio"/> Routine (<2 hr)	
T O	⁵ ICS Position:		F R O M	⁹ ICS Position:
	⁶ Location:			¹⁰ Location:
	⁷ Name:			¹¹ Name:
	⁸ Contact Info:			¹² Contact Info:

Recommended Form Routing Sheet

- Covers all standard forms
 - General EOC, Hospital, Allied Health, RACES
- Side 1 is for General Forms
- Side 2 is for Medical/Hospital Forms and RACES Mutual Aid
- As recommended by agencies
- Radio operator can coach
 - Have an extra copy to share
- Message author decides
 - Faster/slower handling
 - To different location/position
 - We only recommend if the message author does not know the information

SCCo ARES/RACES Recommended Form Routing

Usage:

- This cheat sheet summarizes the recommended Handling, To Location, and To ICS Position when sending official forms via amateur radio.
- The message author can select whatever Handling Order, To Location and ICS Position (s)he chooses for each message.
- **Sending:** As a general rule, address a message to the most specific ICS position that is staffed at the destination location. If the specified unit is not staffed, send it to the branch. If the branch is not staffed, send it to the section.
- **Delivering:** As a general rule, deliver the message to the leader of the "To ICS Position" identified in the message: Unit Leader, Branch Director, Section Chief, or their Deputy. If that position is not staffed or available, deliver to the next higher position in the ICS hierarchy shown below.

Form Type	Handling	To Location **	To ICS Position **
General EOC			
ICS-213 Message Form	Author defined	Author defined	Author defined
EOC-213RR Resource Request	If "Priority" (Field 11) is:	Then "Handling" is:	
	Now	Immediate (ASAP)	
	High (0-4 hrs)	Immediate (ASAP)	
	Medium (5-12 hrs)	County EOC	Planning Section
	Low (12+ hrs)	Routine (<2 hrs)	
OA Jurisdiction Status	Immediate (ASAP)	County EOC	Situation Analysis Unit Else: Planning Section
OA Shelter Status	Priority (<1 hr)	For city-managed: City EOC For county-managed: County EOC	Mass Care and Shelter Unit Else: Care and Shelter Branch Else: Operations Section

** For actual EOC activations, use the default To Location and To ICS Position(s) as indicated, unless told otherwise by the message originator.
For an ARES/RACES exercise or training event, use the information given for that event, e.g. "Xanadu EOC" may be specified instead of "County EOC", etc.

Recommended Form Routing Sheet - Pg 1

- Handling may be conditional upon other fields
- To Location may be conditional upon activation status
- ICS Section > Branch> Unit > are identified to cover different staffing levels

213RR

11. Priority	
Now	<input type="radio"/>
High (0-4 hours)	<input type="radio"/>
Medium (5-12 hours)	<input type="radio"/>
Low (12+ hours)	<input type="radio"/>

Form Type	Handling	To Location **	To ICS Position **
General EOC			
ICS-213 Message Form	Author defined	Author defined	Author defined
EOC-213RR Resource Request	If "Priority" (Field 11) is:	Then "Handling" is:	County EOC Planning Section
	Now	Immediate (ASAP)	
	High (0-4 hrs)	Immediate (ASAP)	
	Medium (5-12 hrs)	Priority (<1 hr)	
	Low (12+ hrs)	Routine (<2 hrs)	
OA Jurisdiction Status	Immediate (ASAP)	County EOC	Situation Analysis Unit Else: Planning Section
OA Shelter Status	Priority (<1 hr)	For city-managed: City EOC For county-managed: County EOC	Mass Care and Shelter Unit Else: Care and Shelter Branch Else: Operations Section

Recommended Form Routing Sheet - Pg 2

- Handling varies based on form type
- To Location may be conditional upon activation status
- To Position can vary based on location

Form Type	Handling	To Location **	To ICS Position **
Medical			
HAvBed Report	Immediate (ASAP)	If open: PHDOC Else: County EOC	EMS Unit Else: Medical Health Branch Else: Operations Section
Medical Facility Report	Immediate (ASAP)	If open: PHDOC Else: County EOC	EMS Unit Else: Medical Health Branch Else: Operations Section
Medical Resource Request Obsolete Replaced by EOC-213RR			
Allied Health Facility Status	Routine (<2 hrs)	If open: PHDOC Else: County EOC	PHDOC: Health Care Liaison County EOC: EMS Unit -or- Public Health Unit Else: Medical Health Branch Else: Operations Section
RACES			
RACES Mutual Aid Request	Routine (<2 hrs)	County EOC	RACES Chief Radio Officer Else: RACES Unit Else: Operations Section

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Exercise: Radio Routing Information


- What are the fields needed for radio routing?
- Which of the following forms contain all necessary radio routing information?

Form Type	Radio Routing Info?
ICS-213 Message Form	
EOC-213RR Resource Request	
OA Jurisdiction Status	
OA Shelter Status	
Allied Health Facility Status	

Exercise: Radio Routing Information

213RR Resource Request

- Recommend:
 - Handling Order
 - To Location
 - To Position

 County of Santa Clara Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Resource Request Form 213RR						
COMPLETED BY REQUESTOR						
1. Incident Name Some Incident		2. Date Initiated 11/16/2019	3. Time Initiated 10:00	4. Tracking Number <i>(Completed by OA EOC)</i>		
5. Requested By <i>(name, agency, position, email, phone)</i> Someone Some agency Some position Some email Some phone number		How to use the EOC Form 213RR				
6. Prepared by <i>(name, position, email, phone)</i> --same--		Purpose The EOC 213RR is used to request non-mutual aid supplies, services, personnel, teams, equipment, utilities, fuel, facilities, or any other resource or incident management activity required from the Operational Area (OA).				
7. Approved by <i>(name, position, email, phone)</i> --same--		When to use The Form 213RR may be used anytime during any Operational Period. If the OA EOC is not activated the Duty Officer will serve to coordinate the request.				
Signature:		Prepared by Any EOC position or agency requesting resources from the OA				
		Approved by Section Chief of the requesting EOC or Supervising Official at requesting agency				
		Routed to Planning Section → Logistics Section → Finance/Admin Section → EOC Director → Logistics Section				
		Filed with Logistics Section Resource Tracking Unit / Planning Section Documentation Unit				
		User Notes The Form 213RR is a two-sided form. Side one is completed by the requestor. Side two is completed by the OA EOC. Please check that both sides are available.				
REQUESTED RESOURCE DETAILS						
Requesting Agency / EOC Section	8. Qty/Unit	9. Resource Description <i>(kind/type, if applicable)</i>	10. Arrival <i>(date/time)</i>	11. Priority	12. Est'd Cost	
	1 ea	Something	Sometime	Now <input type="radio"/> High (0-4 hours) <input checked="" type="radio"/> Medium (5-12 hours) <input type="radio"/> Low (12+ hours) <input type="radio"/>	N/A	
	13. Deliver to <i>(name, agency, position, email, phone)</i> Someone		14. Location <i>(address or lat/long, site type)</i> Somewhere			
	15. Substitute/Suggested Sources <i>(name, phone, website)</i> N/A					
	16. Supplemental Requirements <i>(include details in #17)</i>			17. Special Instructions		
<input type="radio"/> Equipment Operator <input type="radio"/> Fuel Fuel Type _____ <input type="radio"/> Meals <input type="radio"/> Water			<input type="radio"/> Lodging <input type="radio"/> Power <input type="radio"/> Maintenance <input type="radio"/> Other _____			
			None			

Exercise: Radio Routing Information

Jurisdiction Status

- Recommend:
 - Handling Order
 - To Location
 - To Position

Santa Clara OA Jurisdiction Status			WebEOC: 20190327 PDF: 190528
Radio Operator Only:	Origin Msg #:	Destination Msg #:	
This Section to be Completed by Jurisdiction Personnel: (Underlined=Required)			
Date:	Time (24hr):	Handling: <input type="radio"/> Immediate (ASAP) <input type="radio"/> Priority (<1 hr) <input type="radio"/> Routine (<2 hr)	
T O	ICS Position:	F R O M	ICS Position:
	Location:		Location:
	Name:		Name:
	Contact Info:		Contact Info:
Report Type: <input type="radio"/> Update <input type="radio"/> Complete <small>Important: See Instructions!</small>		Jurisdiction Name:	
Contact Information (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)			
EOC Phone:		EOC Fax:	
Pri EM Contact Name:		Pri EM Contact Phone:	
Sec EM Contact Name:		Sec EM Contact Phone:	
Government Office Status (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)			
Office Status: (Pick One) <input type="radio"/> Unknown (Grey) <input type="radio"/> Open (Green) <input type="radio"/> Closed (Red)			
Expected to Open Date:		Expected to Open Time:	
Expected to Close Date:		Expected to Close Time:	
EOC Status (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)			
EOC Open: (Pick One) <input type="radio"/> Unknown (Grey) <input type="radio"/> Yes (Red) <input type="radio"/> No (Green)			
Activation: (Pick One) <input type="radio"/> Normal (Green) <input type="radio"/> Duty Officer (Yellow) <input type="radio"/> Monitor (Orange) <input type="radio"/> Partial (Red) <input type="radio"/> Full (Red)			
Expected to Open Date:		Expected to Open Time:	
Expected to Close Date:		Expected to Close Time:	
Declarations (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)			
State of Emergency: (Pick One) <input type="radio"/> Unknown (Grey) <input type="radio"/> Yes (Red) <input type="radio"/> No (Green)			
Attachment (indicate where/how sent):			

Exercise: Radio Routing Information

Shelter Status


- Info: The Shelter is run by the county
- Recommend:
 - Handling Order
 - To Location
 - To Position

Santa Clara OA Shelter Status			WebEOC: 20130814 PDF: 190619
Radio Operator Only:	Origin Msg #:	Destination Msg #:	
This Section to be Completed by Shelter Management Personnel: (Underlined=Required)			
Date:	Time (24hr):	Handling: <input type="radio"/> Immediate (ASAP) <input type="radio"/> Priority (<1 hr) <input type="radio"/> Routine (<2 hr)	
T O	ICS Position:	F R O M	ICS Position:
	Location:		Location:
	Name:		Name:
	Contact Info:		Contact Info:
Report Type: <input type="radio"/> Update <input type="radio"/> Complete <small>Important: See Instructions!</small>		Shelter Name:	
Shelter (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)			
Shelter Type: (Pick One) <input type="radio"/> Type 1 <input type="radio"/> Type 2 <input type="radio"/> Type 3 <input type="radio"/> Type 4			
Status: (Pick One) <input type="radio"/> Open (Green) <input type="radio"/> Closed (Red) <input type="radio"/> Full (Yellow)			
Address:			
City:			
State:			
Zip:			
Latitude (d.ddd*):		Longitude (d.ddd*):	
Shelter Information (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)			
Capacity:			
Occupancy:			
Meals Served (Last 24 hours):			
NSS Number:			
Pet Friendly:		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
Basic Safety Inspection:		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
ATC-20 Inspection:		<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
Available Services:			
MOU (where/how sent):			
Floorplan (where/how sent):			

Exercise: Radio Routing Information

Allied Health Status

- Info: The Public Health Dept. Operations Center (PHDOC) is **not** activated
- Recommend:
 - Handling Order
 - To Location
 - To Position

 DEOC-9 ALLIED HEALTH STATUS REPORT SHORT FORM							
FACILITY NAME:		FACILITY TYPE	DATE:	TIME:			
Contact Name:		Phone #	Fax #				
Other Phone, Fax, Cell Phone, Radio:		Incident Name and Date:					
FACILITY STATUS	CHECK ONE	CHECK ADDITIONAL ATTACHMENTS PROVIDED	Yes/No				
GREEN- FULLY FUNCTIONAL		NHICS/ICS ORGANIZATION CHART					
RED- LIMITED SERVICES		DEOC-9A RESOURCE REQUEST FORMS					
BLACK- IMPAIRED/CLOSED		NHICS/ICS STATUS REPORT FORM - STANDARD					
FACILITY CONTACT INFORMATION		NHICS/ICS INCIDENT ACTION PLAN					
FACILITY EOC MAIN CONTACT NUMBER		PHONE/COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTORY					
FACILITY EOC MAIN CONTACT FAX		GENERAL SUMMARY OF SITUATION/CONDITIONS					
FACILITY LIAISON OFFICER NAME: LIAISON TO PUBLIC HEALTH/MEDICAL HEALTH BRANCH							
FACILITY LIAISON CONTACT NUMBER							
FACILITY INFORMATION OFFICER NAME							
FACILITY INFORMATION OFFICER CONTACT NUMBER							
FACILITY INFORMATION OFFICER CONTACT EMAIL							
IF FACILITY EOC IS NOT ACTIVATED, WHO SHOULD BE CONTACTED FOR QUESTIONS/REQUESTS		SNF BED RESOURCE AVAILABILITY	Staffed Bed-M	Staffed Bed-F	Vacant Bed-M	Vacant Bed-F	*Surge #
FACILITY CONTACT NUMBER		SKILLED NURSING					
FACILITY CONTACT EMAIL		ASSISTED LIVING					
FACILITY PATIENT FLOW INFORMATION		TOTAL	SUB-ACUTE				
FACILITY PATIENTS TO EVACUATE			ALZHEIMERS/DIMENTIA				
FACILITY PATIENTS INJURED - MINOR			PEDIATRIC-SUB ACUTE				
FACILITY PATIENTS TRANSFERED OUT OF COUNTY			PSYCHIATRIC				
OTHER FACILITY PATIENT CARE INFORMATION							
DEOC/EOC/DUTY CHIEF USE		*surge number: # of beds in addition to vacant available beds					
		AVAILABLE RESOURCES BY FACILITY TYPE	CRISIS ROOMS	VACANT CRISIS ROOMS	EMERGENCY DESK STAFF	MEDICAL SUPPORT STAFF	PROCTORS STAFF
		DIALYSIS					
		SURGICAL					
		CLINIC					
		HOMEHEALTH					
		ADULT DAY CENTER					
Please follow instructions received from email/phone/CAHAN on how to submit this form. If telephones/fax are not working, use alternate means of communication (radio, messenger, etc.) Use the RESOURCE REQUEST FORM to request resources.							
ALLIED HEALTH STATUS REPORT FORM – Revised February 2018 Department Operations Center Form 9 (DEOC-9)							

Exercise: Radio Routing Information

RACES Mutual Aid Request

- Recommend:
 - Handling Order
 - To Location
 - To Position

Santa Clara County RACES -- Mutual Aid Request				
Radio Operator Only:		Origin Msg #:	Destination Msg #:	
This Section to be Completed by Requesting Agency: (Underlined=Required)				
Date:	Time:	Handling (✓ one):	<input type="radio"/> Immediate (ASAP) <input type="radio"/> Priority (< 1hr) <input checked="" type="radio"/> Routine (< 2hr)	
T O	ICS Position:	RACES Chief Radio Officer	F	ICS Position:
	Location:	County EOC	R	Location:
	Name:		O	Name:
	Contact Info:		M	Contact Info:
Agency	Name: _____			
Event/Incident	Name: _____			Nbr: _____
Assignment <small>(General duties, conditions, equipment, shift times)</small>				
Amateur Radio Resources Requested	Qty	Role/Position	Preferred Type	Minimum Type
	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	<input type="checkbox"/>			
Requested Arrival	Date(s): _____		Time(s): _____	
Needed Until	Date(s): _____		Time(s): _____	
Reporting Location	_____			
Contact on Arrival	_____			
Travel Info	_____			
Requested By	Name: _____		Title: _____	
	Contact (E-mail, phone, frequency): _____			
Approved By <small>(Authorized agency official)</small>	Name: _____		Title: _____	
	Contact (E-mail, phone, frequency): _____			
	Signature: _____		Date: _____	Time: _____
Radio Operator Only:				
Relay:	Rcvd:	Sent:		
Name:	Call Sign:	Date:	Time:	

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Common 3rd Party Procedures

Applies to any 3rd party messages

Message Announcement Procedure

- Step 1: Announce quantity and handling order; wait for “go”
 - Examples
 - “Net Control, I have 2 Priority messages for you”
 - “Net Control, I have 1 Immediate and 1 Routine message for you”
 - The receiving station will prioritize vs. other messages that may be waiting. When ready, they will say: “go ahead” or “ready to copy”
- Step 2: Announce message type before sending; wait for “go”
 - Let the receiver know what’s coming so they can prepare the right form (and routing slip, if needed)
 - “Message type is ICS-213”
 - “Message type is 213RR with Routing Slip”
 - “Message type is informal” (ex. unstructured, non-form-type messages)
 - The receiving station readies the right form (and routing slip, if needed), then says: “go ahead” or “ready to copy”
- Step 3: Send the message

Message Sending Procedure

No Routing Slip Needed	Routing Slip Needed
“Message Number” ... (on form)	“Message Number” ... (on routing slip and form)
Other header fields (on form) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date, Time, Handling, etc. (varies by form) • To (position, location, ...) • From (position, location, ...) 	Other header fields (on routing slip) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date, Time, Handling • To (position, location, ...) • From (position, location, ...)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subject, Report Type, etc. (varies by form) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Form Type, Topic (on routing slip)
	“Form Contents” (receiver moves to the form)
Form fields <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Say section names (if applicable) at start of each section • Say field name (or number), then field value • Keep to 5 groups/fields at a time 	Form fields <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Say section names (if applicable) at start of section • Say field name (or number), then value • Keep to 5 groups/fields at a time
“End of Message”	“End of Message”
Capture receiving station’s message number	Capture receiving station’s message number
Log the message	Log the message

Multi-Recipient Sending Procedure

- Announce quantity and priority of message for ...
 - “All stations, all stations, stand by for one priority message”
 - “All shelters, all shelters, stand by for one routine message”
- [Optional] Poll for readiness of all stations
 - Depends on experience/discipline/professionalism of other operators, previous activity on the net, urgency of message, ...
- Pick a pacing station and confirm with them
 - “<city/agency name>, will you be my pacing station?”
- Send message to pacing station as usual, all other stations copy message
 - Get message number from pacing station
- Poll other stations for their message number
 - “I will now poll all stations for fills and message numbers”
 - Other stations ask for fills (if needed), then provide their message number
- Usually, put stations that missed most/all of the message at the end; don't make everyone else wait!

Logging Messages

- Log all communications traffic on ICS-309 Comm Log
- Include
 - Time message was handled
 - 24-hour local time, as usual
 - “From” and “To” call signs and message numbers
 - Optional: leave your call sign slot empty
 - A summary of the message
 - Form Type: Main Topic/Subject (should match Routing Slip if used)

5. COMMUNICATIONS LOG					
Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
1935	XNDP5	CP5-123	XNDEOC	XND-511	ICS213: Active Flooding

Logging Multi-Station Messages

Sending Station:

- Use a separate line for each acknowledgment
 - But the multiple lines essentially constitute one long entry
- Either repeat the From message number, use ditto marks, an arrow, or something else to clearly indicate that all entries are part of the same message

5. COMMUNICATIONS LOG					
Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
1310	XNDEOC	XND-100	All Shelters		ICS-213: Report supply levels by 1500
1311		"	XNDSH1	SH1-123	
1312		"	XNDSH2	SH2-210	
1313		"	XNDSH3	SH3-344	

Logging Multi-recipient Messages

Receiving Station:

- Indicate the “multi-recipient” nature of the message by logging an appropriate “TO” value.
- Referring to the previous example of the “sender” log, here’s what the “Shelter 2” (receiving station) log might look like:

5. COMMUNICATIONS LOG					
Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
1312	NC	XND-100	All Shelters	SH2-210	ICS-213: Report supply levels by 1500



Form-specific Exercises

Proper prowords and procedures works for any form

Form-specific Exercises

- You will need
 - 3rd party forms: 3-ICS-213, 1-EOC-213RR, 1-OA Jurisdiction Status, 1-OA Shelter Status, 1-Allied Health Facility Status, Form 1
 - 3-Radio Routing Slips
 - 1-ICS-309 Communications Log
 - 1-Recommended Form Routing Cheat Sheet
- Process
 - You will be the receiving station
 - You need to copy the message and log it on an ICS-309 (correctly)
 - Observe common behaviors; look for patterns
 - We will compare results after each message

ICS-213

- Usage
 - General messages
- Recommended field groupings
 - Origin Message Nbr, Date, Time, Handling, Msg Request
 - To, From
 - Subject
 - Reference (if used)
 - Message - 5 groups at a time
 - End of Message after last group
- Not sent over the air
 - Action Taken
 - Local Msg. Author/Receiptent Use Only

• Radio operator fills out bottom
 Take out an ICS-213 Form

MESSAGE FORM		Origin Msg #: ²	Destination Msg #: ³
<small>► For paper: use ballpoint pen – blue or black ink only (See back for instructions)</small>			
Date: ¹	Time (24hr):	Handling: ⁵ (✓one): <input type="radio"/> Immediate (ASAP) <input type="radio"/> Priority (< 1hr) <input type="radio"/> Routine (< 2hr)	
<small>(mm/dd/yy)</small>		<small>(0001 to 2400)</small>	
This Message Requests You To: ⁶			
TAKE ACTION (✓one): <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No			
REPLY (✓one): <input type="radio"/> Yes, by <input type="text"/> <input type="radio"/> No			
T O	ICS Position: (required) ⁷	F R O M	ICS Position: (required) ⁸
	Location: (required) ⁹		Location: (required) ⁹
	Name: (optional)		Name: (optional)
	Telephone #: (optional)		Telephone #: (optional)
SUBJECT: ¹⁰			
REFERENCE (e.g., Number of earlier msg.): ¹¹			
MESSAGE: ¹² (what, when, where needed; how long; contact name and phone number - KEEP MSG BRIEF)			
ACTION TAKEN: ¹³ (For use by Originator / Recipient) ► USE SEPARATE MESSAGE FORM IF SENDING REPLY!			
CC: <input type="checkbox"/> Management <input type="checkbox"/> Operations <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Logistics <input type="checkbox"/> Finance			
Operator Use Only: ¹⁴			
Relay:	Rcvd: <input type="text"/>	Sent: <input type="text"/>	
How:	<input type="radio"/> Received or <input type="radio"/> Sent (✓one):		Operator Call Sign: <input type="text"/>
<input type="radio"/> Telephone	<input type="radio"/> Dispatch Center		Operator Name: <input type="text"/>
<input type="radio"/> EOC Radio	<input type="radio"/> FAX <input type="radio"/> Courier		
<input type="radio"/> Amateur Radio	<input type="radio"/> Other <input type="text"/>	Date: <input type="text"/>	Time: <input type="text"/>

Outgoing (Sent): ¹⁵
 Message Originator: Send the original to radio. Retain a copy for your reference.
 Radio: After sending, complete Operator Use Only and file in radio.
Incoming (Received): ¹⁶
 Radio: Complete Operator Use Only then route to the Addressee. Retain a copy in radio if directed by Supervisor.
 Addressee: Take appropriate action.

SCCo RACES ICS Form 213 (01/19/2022, fillable 3/31/2022)

Exercise: ICS-213 #1 (Single station)

MESSAGE FORM
For paper: use ballpoint pen - blue or black ink only (See back for instructions)

Origin Msg #: Destination Msg #:

Date: Time (24hr):
(mm/dd/yy) (0001 to 2400)

Handling: Immediate (ASAP) Priority (< 1hr) Routine (< 2hr)

This Message Requests You To: TAKE ACTION (Yes) No

REPLY: Yes, by No

ICS Position: (required) **Shelter Manager** F R O M ICS Position: (required) **Planning**

Location: (required) **Shelter One** Location: (required) **Xanadu EOC**

Name: (optional) Name: (optional) **H. Munster**

Telephone #: (optional) Telephone #: (optional)

SUBJECT: **Supply Order**

REFERENCE (e.g., Number of earlier msg.):

MESSAGE: (what, when, where needed; how long; contact name and phone number - KEEP MSG BRIEF)

Send order for next 3 days of supplies by 2300.

Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
HHMM	EOC	XND-201	Shelter 1	<Dest. #>	ICS-213: Supply Order

CC: Management Operations Planning Logistics Finance

Operator Use Only:

Relay: Rcvd: Sent:

How: Received or Sent (✓one): Operator Call Sign:

Telephone Dispatch Center Operator Name:

EOC Radio FAX Courier

Amateur Radio Other Date: Time:

Outgoing (Sent): Message Originator: Send the original to radio. Retain a copy for your reference. Radio: After sending, complete Operator Use Only and file in radio. Incoming (Received): Radio: Complete Operator Use Only then route to the Addressee. Retain a copy in radio if directed by Supervisor. Addressee: Take appropriate action.

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At receiving station: Shelter 1

← Did you fill this out?

Exercise: ICS-213 #2 (Multi-station/receive)

MESSAGE FORM
 For paper: use ballpoint pen - blue or black ink only (See back for instructions)

Origin Msg #: ² XND-202 Destination Msg #: ⁴

Date: ¹ Time (24hr): Handling: Immediate (ASAP) Priority (< 1hr) Routine (< 2hr)

This Message Requests You To: ⁵
 TAKE ACTION (✓one): Yes No
 REPLY (✓one): Yes, by No

T O
 ICS Position: (required) ⁷ **Shelter Manager** F R O M ICS Position: (required) ⁸ **Planning**
 Location: (required) ⁹ **All Shelters** Location: (required) ⁹ **Xanadu EOC**
 Name: (optional) Name: (optional)
 Telephone #: (optional) Telephone #: (optional)

SUBJECT: ¹⁰ **Meal Delivery**

REFERENCE (e.g., Number of earlier msg.): ¹¹

MESSAGE: ¹² (what, when, where needed; how long; contact name and phone number - KEEP MSG BRIEF)
Tonights meal delivery will be delayed by 4 hours to 21:30. Truck broke down and we are weighting the replacement.

Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
HHMM	EOC	XND-202	All Shelters	<Dest. #>	ICS-213: Meal Delivery

CC: Management Operations Planning Logistics Finance

Operator Use Only: ¹⁴

Relay: Rcvd: Sent:

How: Received or Sent (✓one): Operator Call Sign:

Telephone Dispatch Center Operator Name:

EOC Radio FAX Courier

Amateur Radio Other Date: Time:

Outgoing (Sent): ¹⁵
 Message Originator: Send the original to radio. Retain a copy for your reference.
 Radio: After sending, complete Operator Use Only and file in radio.

Incoming (Received): ¹⁶
 Radio: Complete Operator Use Only then route to the Addressee. Retain a copy in radio if directed by Supervisor.
 Addressee: Take appropriate action.

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At receiving station: Shelter #

Did you fill this out?

Exercise: ICS-213 #2 (Multi-station/Send)

MESSAGE FORM

For paper: use ballpoint pen – blue or black ink only (See back for instructions)

Origin Msg #: ² Destination Msg #: ³

DATE: **TIME (24hr):**

HANDLING: Immediate (ASAP) Priority (< 1hr) Routine (< 2hr)

TAKE ACTION: Yes No

REPLY: Yes, by No

IC Position: (required) ⁷

Shelter Manager

Location: (required) ⁹

All Shelters

Name: (optional)

Telephone #: (optional)

IC Position: (required) ⁸

Planning

Location: (required) ⁹

Xanadu EOC

Name: (optional)

Telephone #: (optional)

SUBJECT: ¹⁰

REFERENCE: (e.g., Number of earlier msg.): ¹¹

MESSAGE: ¹² (what, when, where needed; how long; contact name and phone number - KEEP MSG BRIEF)

Tonights meal delivery will be delayed by 4 hours to 21:30. Truck broke down and we are weighting the replacement.

	Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
		Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
ACTIC	1120	EOC	XND-202	All Shelters	----	ICS-213: Meal Delivery
	1120	"	"	Shelter 1	SH1-###	
CC:	1120	"	"	Shelter 2	SH2-###	
Operat	1121	"	"	Shelter 3	SH3-###	

How: Telephone Dispatch Center EOC Radio Amateur Radio FAX Other Courier

Operator Name:

Date: **Time:**

Outgoing (Sent): ¹⁵ Message Originator: Send the original to radio. Retain a copy for your reference. Radio: After sending, complete Operator Use Only and file in radio. Incoming (Received): ¹⁶ Radio: Complete Operator Use Only then route to the Addressee. Retain a copy in radio if directed by Supervisor. Addressee: Take appropriate action.

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At sending station: Xanadu EOC

OA Jurisdiction Status

- Usage
 - Report jurisdiction status when WebEOC is not available
- Update vs. Complete
 - If Complete, all underlined fields are required
- Recommended field groupings
 - Msg Nbr, Date, Time, Handling
 - To, From
 - Report Type, Jurisdiction Name
 - Then go section by section
 - Say section name
 - Say field name(s) and value(s)
 - Shoot for about 5 items (fields/groups) at a time
 - Skip empty fields & sections



Santa Clara OA Jurisdiction Status		WebEOC: 20190327
Radio Operator Only: <input type="text" value="Origin Msg #:"/> <input type="text" value="Destination Msg #:"/>		PDF: 190528
This Section to be Completed by Jurisdiction Personnel: (Underlined=Required)		
Date:	Time (24hr):	Handling: <input type="radio"/> Immediate (ASAP) <input type="radio"/> Priority (<1 hr) <input type="radio"/> Routine (<2 hr)
ICS Position:	ICS Position:	
Location:	Location:	
Name:	Name:	
Contact Info:	Contact Info:	
Report Type: <input type="radio"/> Update <input type="radio"/> Complete	Jurisdiction Name:	
<i>Important: See Instructions!</i>		
Contact Information (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)		
EOC Phone:	EOC Fax:	
Pri EM Contact Name:	Pri EM Contact Phone:	
Sec EM Contact Name:	Sec EM Contact Phone:	
Government Office Status (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)		
Office Status: (Pick One)	<input type="radio"/> Unknown (Grey)	<input type="radio"/> Open (Green) <input type="radio"/> Closed (Red)
Expected to Open Date:	Expected to Open Time:	
Expected to Close Date:	Expected to Close Time:	
EOC Status (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)		
EOC Open: (Pick One)	<input type="radio"/> Unknown (Grey)	<input type="radio"/> Yes (Red) <input type="radio"/> No (Green)
Activation: (Pick One)	<input type="radio"/> Normal (Green) <input type="radio"/> Partial (Red)	<input type="radio"/> Duty Officer (Yellow) <input type="radio"/> Monitor (Orange) <input type="radio"/> Full (Red)
Expected to Open Date:	Expected to Open Time:	
Expected to Close Date:	Expected to Close Time:	
Declarations (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)		
State of Emergency: (Pick One)	<input type="radio"/> Unknown (Grey)	<input type="radio"/> Yes (Red) <input type="radio"/> No (Green)
Attachment (Indicate where/how sent):		

Exercise: OA Jurisdiction Status (City > County)

Santa Clara OA Jurisdiction Status Reset Form PDF: 190526

Radio Operator Only: Origin Msg #: XND-203 Destination Msg #:

This Section to be Completed by Jurisdiction Personnel: (Underlined=Required)

Date: <today> Time (24hr): 1029 Handling: Immediate (ASAP) Priority (<1 hr) Routine (<2 hr)

ICS Position: Situation Analysis ICS Position: Planning

Location: County EOC Location: Xanadu EOC

Name: Name:

Contact Info: Contact Info:

Report Type: Update Complete Important: See Instructions! Jurisdiction Name: City of Xanadu

Contact Information (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)

EOC Phone: EOC Fax:

Pri EM Contact Name: Pri EM Contact Phone:

Sec EM Contact Name: Sec EM Contact Phone:

Government Office Status (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)

Office Status: Normal (Green) Unknown (Grey) Open (Green) Closed (Red)

Expected to Open Date: Expected to Open Time:

Expected to Close Date: Expected to Close Time:

EOC Status (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)

EOC Open: Normal (Green) Unknown (Grey) Yes (Red) No (Green)

Activation: Normal (Green) Duty Officer (Yellow) Monitor (Orange)

Partial (Red) Full (Red)

Expected to Open Date: Expected to Open Time:

Expected to Close Date: Expected to Close Time:

Declarations (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)

State of Emergency: Normal (Green) Unknown (Grey) Yes (Red) No (Green)

Attachment (indicate where/how sent):

At receiving station: County EOC

Floding (Pick One) Normal (Green) Unknown (Grey) Problem (Yellow) Failure (Red)

Delayed (White) Closed (White) Early Out (White)

Comment: Streets flooded

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Transportation (Roads) (Pick One) Normal (Green) Unknown (Grey) Problem (Yellow) Failure (Red)

Delayed (White) Closed (White) Early Out (White)

Comment: 2nd Ave closed.

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Radio Operator Only:

Relay: Rcvd: Sent:

Name: <Your Name> Call Sign: <Your Call> Date: <today> Time (24hr): 11:13

Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
HHMM	Xanadu	XND-203	OA EOC	<Dest. #>	JurisStat: Xanadu City

OA Shelter Status

- Usage
 - Report shelter status when WebEOC is not available
- Report Type: Update vs. Complete
 - If Complete, all underlined fields are required
- Recommended field groupings
 - Msg Nbr, Date, Time, Handing
 - To, From
 - Report Type, Shelter Name
 - Then go section by section
 - Say section name
 - Say field name(s) and value(s)
 - Shoot for about 5 items (fields/groups) at a time
 - Skip empty fields & sections

The screenshot shows the 'Santa Clara OA Shelter Status' form. A red box highlights the 'Origin Msg #' field, with an arrow pointing to it from the 'Usage' section. Another red box highlights the 'This Section to be Completed by Shelter Management Personnel:' header and the 'Report Type' and 'Shelter Name' fields, with an arrow pointing to it from the 'Report Type' section. A third red box highlights the 'Shelter' section, which includes fields for Shelter Type, Status, Address, City, State, Zip, Latitude, and Longitude. A fourth red box highlights the 'Shelter Information' section, which includes fields for Capacity, Occupancy, Meals Served, NSS Number, Pet Friendly, Basic Safety Inspection, and ATC-20 Inspection. The form also includes fields for MOU and Floorplan.

Exercise: OA Shelter Status (Shelter > City EOC)

Santa Clara OA Shelter Status Reset Form WebEOC: 20130814 PDF: 201410

Radio Operator Only: Origin Msg #: **HSS-204** Destination Msg #: <Your #>

This Section to be Completed by Shelter Management Personnel: (Underline=Required)

Date: <today> Time (24hr): 1104 Handling: Immediate (ASAP) Priority (<1 hr) Routine (<2 hr)

ICS Position: Mass Care and Shelter Unit	ICS Position: Shelter Manager
Location: Xanadu EOC	Location: Hope Street Shelter
Name:	Name:
Contact Info:	Contact Info:

Report Type: Update Complete Shelter Name: Hope Street Shelter

Shelter (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)

Shelter Type: (Pick One) Type 1 Type 2 Type 3 Type 4

Status: (Pick One) Open (Green) Closed (Red) Full (Yellow)

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Latitude (d.ddd°): **Longitude (d.ddd°):**

Shelter Information (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)

Capacity: 350

Occupancy: 0

Meals Served (Last 24 hours): 126

NSS Number:

Pet Friendly: Yes No

Basic Safety Inspection: Yes No

ATC-20 Inspection: Yes No

Available Services:

At receiving station: Xanadu EOC

Comments (If Report Type=Complete, then Underline=Required)

Comments:

Last client has departed, we are closed.

Remove from List: Yes No

Radio Operator Only:

Relay: Road: Sent:

Name: Call Sign: Date: Time (24hr):

Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
HHMM	Hope Shelter	HSS-204	XNDEOC	<Your #>	Shelter Stat: Hope Street

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Report Type: Update or Complete

Used On: OA Jurisdiction Status

OA Shelter Status

Allied Health Status (Used on Packet Version Only)

Report Type: <input type="radio"/> Update <input type="radio"/> Complete <i>Important: See Instructions!</i>
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Report Type	Required.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Update: Normal mode. Recipient should only replace fields in WebEOC that are entered here. Other fields should retain their current values. To tell the recipient to clear a text field in WebEOC, write "{CLEAR}" in the field. To append to existing data in a WebEOC text field, write "{APPEND}", followed by the text to be appended.• Complete: <u>Use with caution.</u> An empty field here tells the recipient to clear the field in WebEOC. Use this to replace all fields in WebEOC with the data provided here, or to report on current status of all WebEOC fields.

UPDATE {CLEAR} clears the field of all data that is in WebEOC
 {APPEND} appends the new data to what is already in WebEOC


Radio Routing Slip

- Usage
 - When form being sent does not have all radio routing information fields
 - Also write Origin Msg Nbr in upper-right corner of associated form
- Recommended field groupings
 - Message Nbr, Date, Time, Handling
 - To, From
 - Form Type, Topic
- Then say, “Form Contents” and continue by sending the associated form

Santa Clara County RACES -- Radio Routing Slip				Rev: 190527	
Radio Operator Only:		¹ Origin Msg #:	Destination Msg #:		
This Section to be Completed by Message Author/Creator: (Underlined=Required)					
² Date:		³ Time (24hr):	⁴ Handling: <input type="radio"/> Immediate (ASAP) <input type="radio"/> Priority (<1 hr) <input type="radio"/> Routine (<2 hr)		
T O	⁵ ICS Position:		F	⁹ ICS Position:	
	⁶ Location:		R	¹⁰ Location:	
	⁷ Name:		O	¹¹ Name:	
	⁸ Contact Info:		M	¹² Contact Info:	
Form:		¹³ Type:	¹⁴ Topic:		
Instructions for Message Author/Creator: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Complete section above, surrounded by BOLD line (see instructions on back) 2. Fill in all Required fields 3. Attach to the front of a form to be sent via radio 4. Deliver to radio operator for transmission 					
Radio Operator Only:					
Relay:		Rcvd:		Sent:	
Name:		Call Sign:	Date:	Time (24hr):	
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> SCCo ARES/RACES Radio Routing Slip Page 1 of 2 </div>					

EOC-213RR Resource Request

- Usage
 - Non-mutual aid resource requests
 - i.e. barricades, water, sand, ...
 - Use with Radio Routing Slip
- Recommended field groupings
 - Incident Name, Date, Time
 - Then, use judgement
 - Say field number(s) and value(s)
 - Shoot for about 5 items (fields/groups) at a time
 - Skip empty fields
- Signature Line
 - If signed, send “with signature” as part of the Field 7 data.

 County of Santa Clara Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Resource Request Form 213RR					
COMPLETED BY REQUESTOR					
1. Incident Name		2. Date Initiated	3. Time Initiated	4. Tracking Number <i>(Completed by OA EOC)</i>	
5. Requested By <i>(name, agency, position, email, phone)</i>		How to use the EOC Form 213RR Purpose The EOC 213RR is used to request non-mutual aid supplies, services, personnel, teams, equipment, utilities, fuel, facilities, or any other resource or incident management activity required from the Operational Area (OA.) When to use The Form 213RR may be used anytime during any Operational Period. If the OA EOC is not activated the Duty Officer will serve to coordinate the request. Prepared by Any EOC position or agency requesting resources from the OA Approved by Section Chief of the requesting EOC or Supervising Official at requesting agency Routed to Planning Section → Logistics Section → Finance/Admin Section → EOC Director → Logistics Section Filed with Logistics Section Resource Tracking Unit / Planning Section Documentation Unit User Notes The Form 213RR is a two-sided form. Side one is completed by the requestor. Side two is completed by the OA EOC. Please check that both sides are available.			
6. Prepared by <i>(name, position, email, phone)</i>		Signature:			
REQUESTED RESOURCE DETAILS					
Requesting Agency / EOC Section	8. Qty/Unit	9. Resource Description <i>(kind/type, if applicable)</i>	10. Arrival <i>(date/time)</i>	11. Priority	12. Est'd Cost
				Now <input type="radio"/> High (0-4 hours) <input type="radio"/> Medium (5-12 hours) <input type="radio"/> Low (12+ hours) <input type="radio"/>	
	13. Deliver to <i>(name, agency, position, email, phone)</i>		14. Location <i>(address or lat./long., site type)</i>		
	15. Substitute/Suggested Sources <i>(name, phone, website)</i>				
16. Supplemental Requirements <i>(include details in #17)</i>			17. Special Instructions		
<input type="radio"/> Equipment Operator <input type="radio"/> Fuel Fuel Type _____ <input type="radio"/> Meals <input type="radio"/> Water			<input type="radio"/> Lodging <input type="radio"/> Power <input type="radio"/> Maintenance <input type="radio"/> Other _____		

Exercise: EOC-213RR (City > County)

At receiving station:
County EOC

Santa Clara County RACES -- Radio Routing Slip (Rev. 10/05/27)

Radio Operator Only: **1 Origin Msg #: XND-205** 2 Assigned to: (msg #)

This Section to be Completed by Message Author/Creator: (Underlined=Required)

2 Date: <today> **3 Time (24hr):** 1045 **4 Handling:** Immediate (ASAP) Priority (<1 hr) Routine (<2 hr)

5 ICS Position: <u>Planning</u>	9 ICS Position: <u>Logistics</u>
6 Location: <u>County EOC</u>	10 Location: <u>Xanadu EOC</u>
7 Name: <u> </u>	11 Name: <u> </u>
8 Contact Info: <u> </u>	12 Contact Info: <u> </u>

Form: **13 Type:** 213RR **14 Topic:** Widget

Instructions for Message Author/Creator:

- Complete section above, surrounded by BOLD line (see instructions on back)
- Fill in all **Required** fields
- Attach to the front of a form to be sent via radio
- Deliver to radio operator for transmission

Radio Operator Only:

Relay: <u> </u>	Rcvd: <u> </u>	Sent: <u> </u>
Name: <u> </u>	Call Sign: <u> </u>	Date: <u> </u>
		Time (24hr): <u> </u>

County of Santa Clara
Emergency Operations Center (EOC)

XND-205

Resource Request Form 213RR

COMPLETED BY REQUESTOR

1. Incident Name Training Class	2. Date Initiated <today>	3. Time Initiated 1107	4. Tracking Number <small>(Completed by OA EOC)</small>
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5. Requested By (name, agency, position, email, phone)
Someone
Some Agency
Some Position
Some email
Some Phone

6. Prepared by (name, position, email, phone)
same

7. Approved by (name, position, email, phone)
Herman Munster, IC, 659-555-1212

Signature: _____

with signature

8. Qty/Unit	9. Resource Description (kind/type, if applicable)	10. Arrival (date/time)	11. Priority	12. Est'd Cost
1 ea	Widget	ASAP	<input type="radio"/> Now (0-4 hours) <input checked="" type="radio"/> Medium (5-12 hours) <input type="radio"/> Low (12+ hours)	

13. Deliver to (name, agency, position, email, phone)
Someone


14. Location (address or lat./long., site type)
Somewhere

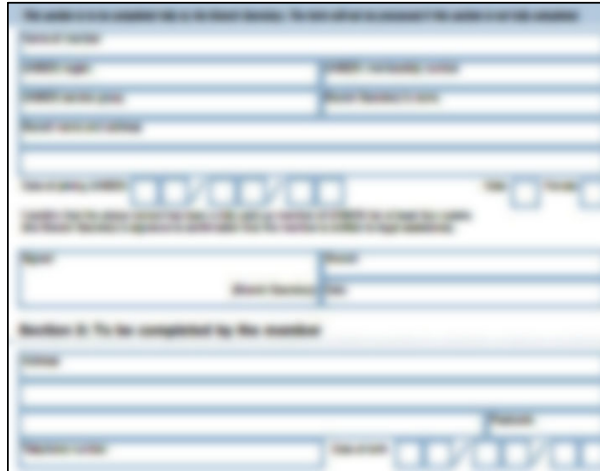
15. Substitute/Suggested Sources (name, phone, website)

Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
HHMM	XNDEOC	XND-205	Cnty EOC	<Dest. #>	213RR: Widget

Allied Health Facility Status

- Usage
 - Report allied health facility status
 - Use with Radio Routing Slip
- Recommended field groupings
 - Facility Name, Type, Date, Time
 - Contact Name, Phone, Fax
 - Other, Incident Name & Date
 - Then go section by section
 - Say section name
 - Say field name(s) and value(s)
 - Shoot for about 5 items (fields/groups) at a time
 - Skip empty fields & sections

 DEOC-9 ALLIED HEALTH STATUS REPORT SHORT FORM							
FACILITY NAME:		FACILITY TYPE		DATE:	TIME:		
Contact Name:			Phone #	Fax #			
Other Phone, Fax, Cell Phone, Radio:			Incident Name and Date:				
FACILITY STATUS	CHECK ONE	CHECK ADDITIONAL ATTACHMENTS PROVIDED			Yes/No		
GREEN- FULLY FUNCTIONAL		NHICS/ICS ORGANIZATION CHART					
RED- LIMITED SERVICES		DEOC-9A RESOURCE REQUEST FORMS					
BLACK- IMPAIRED/CLOSED		NHICS/ICS STATUS REPORT FORM - STANDARD					
FACILITY CONTACT INFORMATION		NHICS/ICS INCIDENT ACTION PLAN					
FACILITY EOC MAIN CONTACT NUMBER		PHONE/COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTORY					
FACILITY EOC MAIN CONTACT FAX		GENERAL SUMMARY OF SITUATION/CONDITIONS					
FACILITY LIAISON OFFICER NAME: LIAISON TO PUBLIC HEALTH/MEDICAL HEALTH BRANCH							
FACILITY LIAISON CONTACT NUMBER							
FACILITY INFORMATION OFFICER NAME							
FACILITY INFORMATION OFFICER CONTACT NUMBER							
FACILITY INFORMATION OFFICER CONTACT EMAIL							
IF FACILITY EOC IS NOT ACTIVATED, WHO SHOULD BE CONTACTED FOR QUESTIONS/REQUESTS		SNF BED RESOURCE AVAILABILITY	Staffed Bed- M	Staffed Bed- F	Vacant Bed- M	Vacant Bed- F	*Surge #
FACILITY CONTACT NUMBER		SKILLED NURSING					
FACILITY CONTACT EMAIL		ASSISTED LIVING					
FACILITY PATIENT FLOW INFORMATION		TOTAL	SUB-ACUTE				
FACILITY PATIENTS TO EVACUATE		ALZHEIMERS/DIMENTIA					
FACILITY PATIENTS INJURED - MINOR		PEDIATRIC-SUB ACUTE					
FACILITY PATIENTS TRANSFERED OUT OF COUNTY		PSYCHIATRIC					
OTHER FACILITY PATIENT CARE INFORMATION							
DEOC/EOC/DUTY CHIEF USE		*surge number: # of beds in addition to vacant available beds					
		AVAILABLE RESOURCES BY FACILITY TYPE					
		CHAIR/ BOOKS	VACANT ROOM	FRONT DESK STAFF	MEDICAL SUPPORT STAFF	PROVIDER STAFF	
		DIALYSIS					
		SURGICAL					
		CLINIC					
		HOMEHEALTH					
		ADULT DAY CENTER					
Please follow instructions received from email/phone/CAHAN on how to submit this form. If telephones/fax are not working, use alternate means of communication (radio, messenger, etc.) Use the RESOURCE REQUEST FORM to request resources.							
ALLIED HEALTH STATUS REPORT FORM – Revised February 2018 Department Operations Center Form 9 (DEOC-9)							



Unfamiliar Forms

Unfamiliar Form – what do you do?

- First, check if the receiving party has a copy of the form
 - If they do, it simplifies your sending process
 - Send them a copy/photo via fax or email or packet if possible?
- If they do ...
 - Send it as usual: top to bottom, left to right, section at a time, field name (or field number) and value
 - Skip empty sections/fields
 - Shoot for 5 items (fields/groups) at a time
- But what if they don't have the form?
 - Come up with a process!

Unfamiliar Form – What Do You Do?

1. Define a process that works for you
2. Follow the process

Example: A Donut Ordering form

- How does the recipient know what you're saying is the name of a field, or data you are transmitting?
- Set the expectation: "I will say the word 'Field' followed by the field name, then the word 'Value' followed by the data in the field"
- If a form will be used more than once, assign field numbers and pass the form layout, first: "I will say 'Field' followed by the number, then 'Name' followed by the name."
- Subsequently, use the field numbers: "I'll send the message as 'field', followed by the number, pause, then say the field value"
- Use common procedures: 5 items (fields/groups) at a time, ...

Example of an unfamiliar form: Donut Ordering Form

Date:	06-25-22
Time:	1430 hours
Person Ordering:	Herman
Glazed:	1 dozen
Jelly:	1 Raspberry
Plain:	24 mixed
Bear Claws:	de-clawed

What's missing?

Radio routing information!

Use a Radio Routing Slip!

Example of Form with Numbered Fields

Building Status Report Form
Facilities Department Form 23

1. Facility Name:		2. Date:	3. Time:
4. Contact Name:		5. Phone:	6. Fax:
7. Other Phone, Fax, Cell Phone, Radio:			

Building Operational Status		Check One	Personnel Status		Total
8.	Not Functional		24.	Upper-level Managers	
9.	Partially Functional		25.	Mid-level Managers	
10.	Fully Functional		26.	Administrative Assistants	
			27.	Facilities Engineers	
			28.	IT Engineers	
			29.	Safety Engineers	
			30.	Medical Personnel	
			31.	Butchers	
			32.	Bakers	
			33.	Candlestick Makers	
			34.	Other	

Damage Assessment		Yes	No
11.	Structural Damage		
12.	Partial Collapse		
13.	Total Collapse		
14.	Loss of Natural Gas		
15.	Loss of Electricity		
16.	Loss of Water and/or Sewer		
17.	Loss of Telephones		
18.	Evacuating Building		
19.	Evac. Transportation Needed		

Employee & Visitor Status		Total
20.	Uninjured	
21.	Injured, but ambulatory	
22.	Injured, needs assistance	
23.	Other:	

Equipment/Services		Check Available
35.	Cafeteria	
36.	Restrooms	
37.	Computer Room	
38.	Auditorium	
39.	Parking Structure	
40.	Air Conditioning	
41.	Chillers	
42.	Laboratory	

Building Status Report Form
Facilities Department Form 23
Revised 02/2018

What's missing?

Radio routing information!

Use a Radio Routing Slip!

Exercise: Unknown Form

At receiving station: Xanadu EOC

Santa Clara County RACES -- Radio Routing Slip Reset Form | Rev: 190527

Radio Operator Only: 1 Origin Msg #: **WCP-207** 2 Destination Msg #:

This Section to be Completed by Message Author/Creator: (Underlined=Required)

2 Date: <today> 3 Time (24hr): 1105 4 Handling: Immediate (ASAP) Priority (<1 hr) Routine (<2 hr)

T O	<u>5</u> ICS Position: Food Unit	F R O M	<u>9</u> ICS Position: IC
	<u>6</u> Location: XND EOC		<u>10</u> Location: West Check Point
	<u>7</u> Name:		<u>11</u> Name:
	<u>8</u> Contact Info:		<u>12</u> Contact Info:
Form: <u>13</u> Type: Donut Order		<u>14</u> Topic: Morning Order	

Instructions for Message Author/Creator:

- Complete section above, surrounded by BOLD line (see instructions on back)
- Fill in all **Required** fields
- Attach to the front of a form to be sent via radio
- Deliver to radio operator for transmission

Radio Operator Only:

Relay:	Rcvd:	Sent:
Name:	Call Sign:	Date: Time (24hr):

SCCo ARES/RACES Radio Routing Slip Page 1 of 2

WCP-207

Morning Donut Order

- Date: <today>
- Time: 11:35
- Department: RACES
- Glazed: 6
- Jelly: 2
- Assorted: 1 dozen

Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
HHMM	West CP	WCP-207	XNDEOC	<Dest. #>	Morning Donut Order



Relaying Messages

The Need for Relaying Messages

- We usually send messages directly (one hop)
 - We use the To and From Locations without thinking
 - Origin Station calls Destination Station listed in “To Location”
 - Destination Station sends back confirmation (Destination Msg Nbr) to the Origin Station (“From Location”) during the same conversation
- But sometimes the Origin Station can’t reach the Destination Station directly
 - No repeater (down or limited coverage)
 - Simplex distance or terrain issues

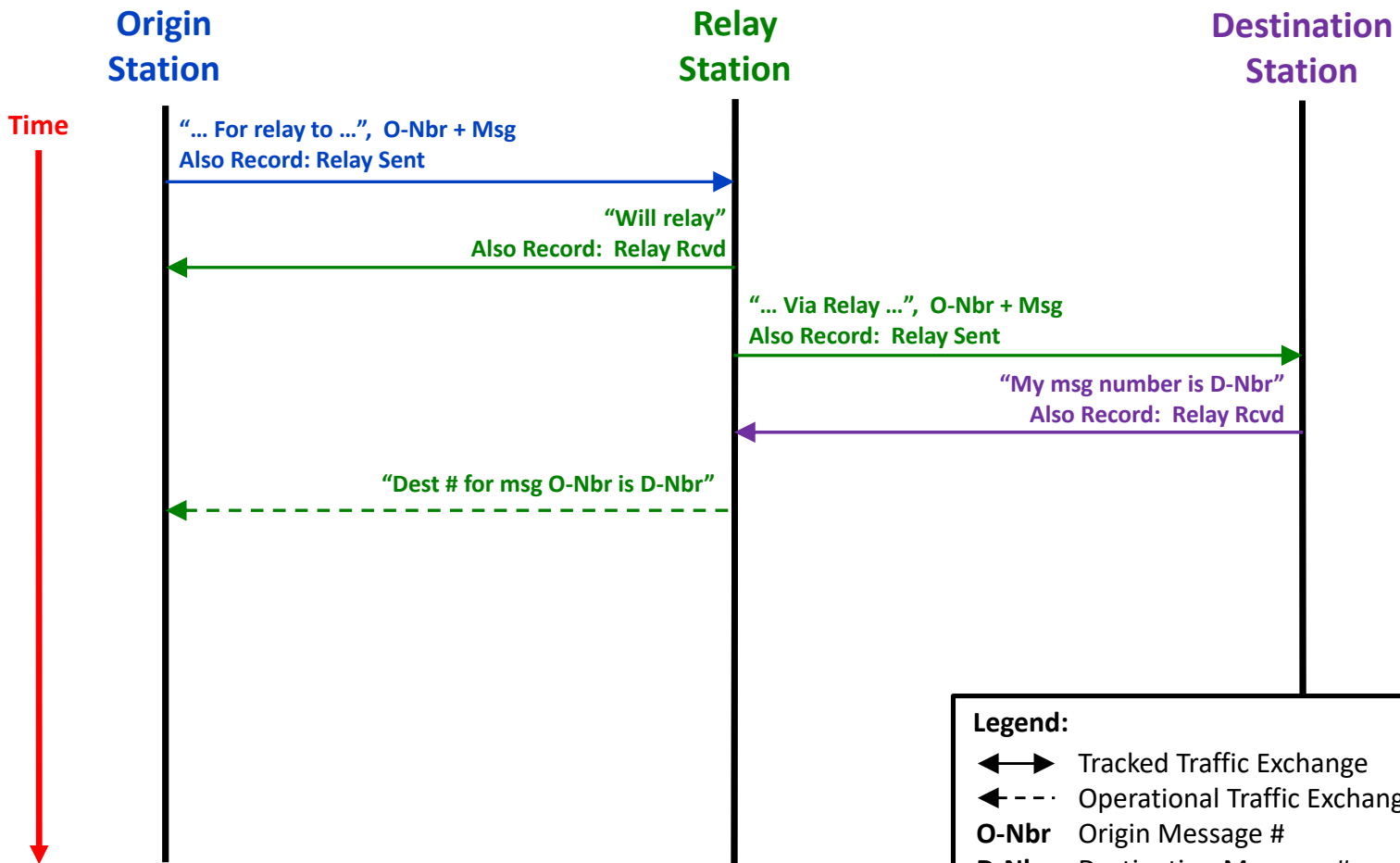
Relaying Messages

- We can use one or more “Relay Stations” when the Origin Station is unable to talk to the Destination Station directly
 - Origin station needs to find a path (one or more Relay Stations) to the “To Location” for sending the message
 - Destination station needs to find a path (one or more Relay Stations) to the “From Location” for sending their message number (confirmation)
 - This may be the same path used to send the message
 - It might be a different path (if one or more Relay Stations are now gone)
 - Finding the path may occur on the same or different net
 - Example: Command Net might be used to keep Message Net moving

Relaying Messages

- Assumptions:
 - Stations know when a relay is required and arrange a path
 - When the message is being passed, stations know the “next hop” needed to reach the Destination Station
 - When the receipt is being returned, stations know the “next hop” needed to reach the Origin Station
 - The path taken by the receipt may be different than the original message.
 - Return receipt is sent as normal, operator-to-operator traffic with “Routine” handling.
 - Return of the receipt is done on a “best effort” basis.

Relay – 2 Hops



Legend:

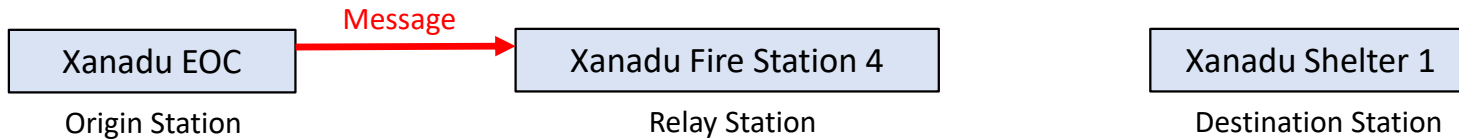
- ↔ Tracked Traffic Exchange
- ← - - - Operational Traffic Exchange
- O-Nbr** Origin Message #
- D-Nbr** Destination Message #
- Msg** 3rd Party Content

Message Hop 1

Origin Station To Relay Station

- Indicate relay request during handshake
 - “Message type is Shelter Status for relay to <destination>”
- Transfer message as usual
- Relay acknowledges message with “Will relay”
 - Instead of “My message number is...”
- “Radio Operator Only” section:
 - Origin Station records Relay Station’s call sign in “Relay: Sent”
 - Relay Station records Origin Station’s call sign in “Relay: Rcvd”
 - Remainder completed as normal
- Both log the traffic on their ICS-309

Relay Example: Message Hop 1



Origin

Form: Radio Operator Only: ¹ Origin Msg #: *XND-321* Destination Msg #:

Radio Operator Only:

Relay: Rcvd: Sent: *Fire 4*

ICS-309:

Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
<i>1100</i>	<i>EOC</i>	<i>XND-321</i>	<i>Fire 4</i>		<i>ICS-213: Water / Relay to Shelter 1</i>

Relay

Form: Radio Operator Only: ¹ Origin Msg #: *XND-321* Destination Msg #:

Radio Operator Only:

Relay: Rcvd: *EOC* Sent:

ICS-309:

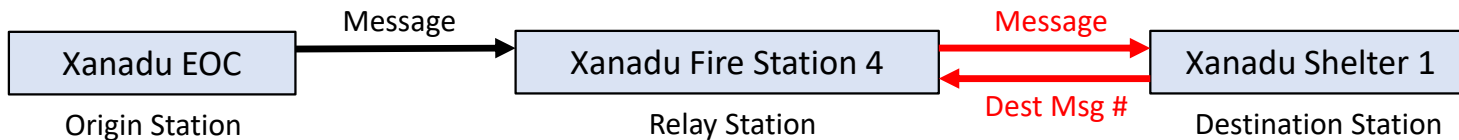
Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
<i>1100</i>	<i>EOC</i>	<i>XND-321</i>	<i>Fire 4</i>		<i>ICS-213: Water / Relay from EOC</i>



Message Hop 2: Relay Station To Destination Station

- Transfer message as usual
 - Relay Station uses same paperwork that was created in previous hop
- “Radio Operator Only” section:
 - Relay Station records Dest Station’s call sign in “Relay: Sent”
 - Dest Station records Relay Station’s call sign in “Relay: Rcvd”
 - Remainder completed as normal
- Both log the traffic on their ICS-309
- Relay station should update previous log entry
 - Add Destination Msg Nbr to 1st hop message

Relay Example: Message Hop 2



Relay

Form:

Radio Operator Only:	¹ Origin Msg #: <i>XND-321</i>	Destination Msg #: <i>S01-104</i>
Radio Operator Only:		
Relay:	Rcvd: <i>EOC</i>	Sent: <i>Shelter 1</i>

ICS-309:

Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
<i>1100</i>	<i>EOC</i>	<i>XND-321</i>	<i>Fire 4</i>	<i>S01-104</i>	<i>ICS-213: Water / Relay from EOC</i>
<i>1100</i>	<i>Fire 4</i>	<i>XND-321</i>	<i>Shelter 1</i>	<i>S01-104</i>	<i>ICS-213: Water / Relay to Shelter 1</i>

Destination

Form:

Radio Operator Only:	¹ Origin Msg #: <i>XND-321</i>	Destination Msg #: <i>S01-104</i>
Radio Operator Only:		
Relay:	Rcvd: <i>Fire 4</i>	Sent:

ICS-309:

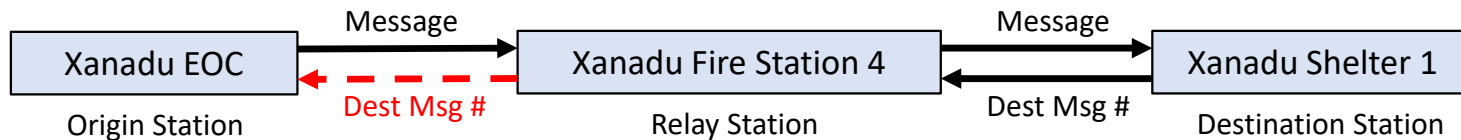
Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
<i>1100</i>	<i>Fire 4</i>	<i>XND-321</i>	<i>Shelter 1</i>	<i>S01-104</i>	<i>ICS-213: Water / Relay From EOC</i>



Receipt Hop 1: Relay To Origin Station

- Relay Station contacts Origin Station with operator-to-operator traffic
 - “<Origin Station>, this is <Relay Station> with a destination message number”
 - “Go ahead”
- Relay Station passes the message number
 - “For your Origin Msg Nbr XND-321, Dest MSg Nbr is: S01-104”
 - “Copy”
- Both log the traffic on their ICS-309
- Origin Station should update previous log entries
 - Add Destination Message Number to:
 - The original, outgoing message form
 - The original ICS-309 log entry

Relay Example: Receipt Hop 1



Relay

Form: Radio Operator Only: ¹ Origin Msg #: *XND-321* Destination Msg #: *S01-104*

Radio Operator Only:

Relay: Rcvd: *EOC* Sent: *Shelter 1*

ICS-309:

Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
1100	<i>EOC</i>	<i>XND-321</i>	<i>Fire 4</i>	<i>S01-104</i>	<i>ICS-213: Water / Relay from EOC</i>
1100	<i>Fire 4</i>	<i>XND-321</i>	<i>Shelter 1</i>	<i>S01-104</i>	<i>ICS-213: Water / Relay to Shelter 1</i>
1100	<i>Fire 4</i>		<i>EOC</i>		<i>Origin # XND-321 = Dest # S01-104</i>

Origin

Form: Radio Operator Only: ¹ Origin Msg #: *XND-321* Destination Msg #: *S01-204*

Radio Operator Only:

Relay: Rcvd: Sent: *Fire 4*

ICS-309:

Time (24:00)	FROM		TO		Message
	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	Call Sign/ID	Msg #	
1100	<i>EOC</i>	<i>XND-321</i>	<i>Fire 4</i>	<i>S01-104</i>	<i>ICS-213: Water / Relay to Shelter 1</i>
1100	<i>Fire 4</i>		<i>EOC</i>		<i>Orig # XND-321 = Dest # S01-104</i>



More Complex Relay Situations

- Time Lag
 - It may be 30 minutes to an hour before you get the destination message number back; longer with two relays
- Two relays
 - The same procedure is easily extended to more than one relay
 - This would be extremely rare in our county, much less for a city
 - See Appendix at the end for a diagram
- Different path for return of Destination Message Nbr
 - By the time the Destination Message Number is on its way back to the Origin Station, one or more of the relays may be gone
 - So the “receipt” may take a different path back
 - See Appendix at the end for a diagram



Problem Solving

How to handle the problems that will inevitably happen

Proword Is Part of the Message

- What if a proword like “figures” is part of the message?
- Answer: Use “I spell”
- Examples:
 - Written: “The latest figures are encouraging.”
 - Spoken: “The latest figures *I SPELL* foxtrot india golf uniform romeo echo sierra <pause> are encouraging.”

 - Written: “Itemize 4 figures each.”
 - Spoken: “Itemize *FIGURE* four <pause> figures *I SPELL* foxtrot india golf uniform romeo echo sierra <pause> each.”

Message Is Too Long for the Form

- When you run out of room on the form when receiving a message:
 - Make it *abundantly* clear on page 1 that there is more than one page (“Page 1 of X”)
 - Use plain paper (Form 1) for subsequent page(s)
 - Add Origin Message Number and “Page X of Y” to each page
 - Use only front of paper
 - Copying and/or scanning often misses the back of pages
 - Immediately staple or otherwise affix all pages together

Untrained Operator; Known Form

- What if an Operator is sending a known form poorly?
 - Suggest a process
 - “Send fields top to bottom, left to right, 5 fields at a time. For long fields, send 5 words at a time”
 - If that doesn’t work, switch to a more directive approach
 - Ask for individual fields: Origin Message Number?, Date?, Time?, Handling? ...
- If the problem continues with the next message, it might be time to suggest another operator through discreet channels such as Command Net, Telephone, etc.

Untrained Operator; Unknown Form

- If an Operator is sending a message poorly (using an unfamiliar form you haven't seen) – what do you do?
 - Suggest a process:
 - “First, tell me each of the field numbers and field names on the form, top to bottom, left to right. Pause after each one (or five) and wait for an acknowledgment by me.”
 - Now, tell me the field number (or name) followed by the value.

Use MP Techniques with Net Scripts

- Use with caution on Net Scripts (Open/Close Net, H&W, etc)
 - Prowords are helpful when sending things that might be misunderstood but do not overuse them when reading net scripts.

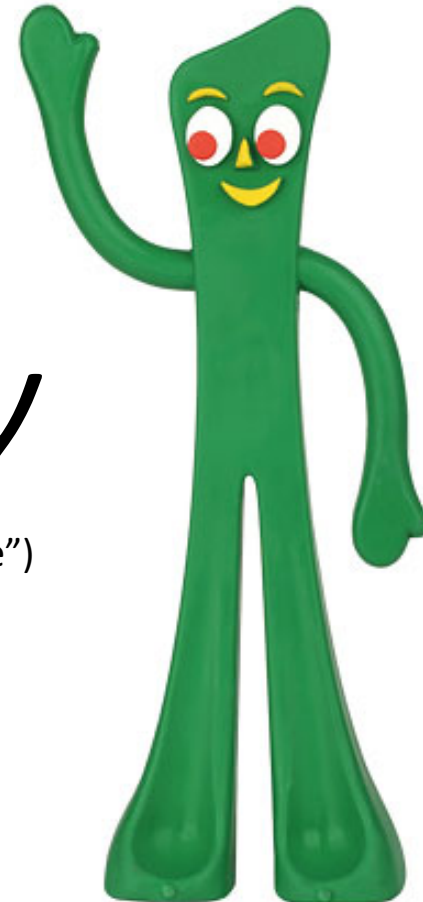
Unusual Information to Communicate

- Just about anything can be sent with our existing rules
 - Avoid making up new prowords
- Still, you may come across something that isn't covered yet
 - That's why we added to the ARRL message handling procedures
- If you're really sure that you must create a new proword
 - Use the existing prowords as a guide for how it should work
 - Set the expectation for the receiving station up front
 - "I will use the introductory proword WIDGET" before speaking a group of type widget phonetically
 - Use it consistently
 - Report it on our discussion groups
 - If appropriate, we'll adopt it into our standards

Whatever the Problem, Remember ...

Semper Gumby

(In case you don't know Latin, that means "Always Flexible")



Summary

You should now be able to:

- Properly send, receive and log 3rd party written messages, including messages using formats that you haven't seen before
- And you should be able to do it precisely!

This was the classroom portion of your training

Practice is the only way to become and remain proficient!

- Quarterly On-air training nets
- Exercises, drills, and public service events
- Repeat this class until it's automatic

Final Assignment

Please complete the Class Evaluation within one week.

To get course credit you need to:

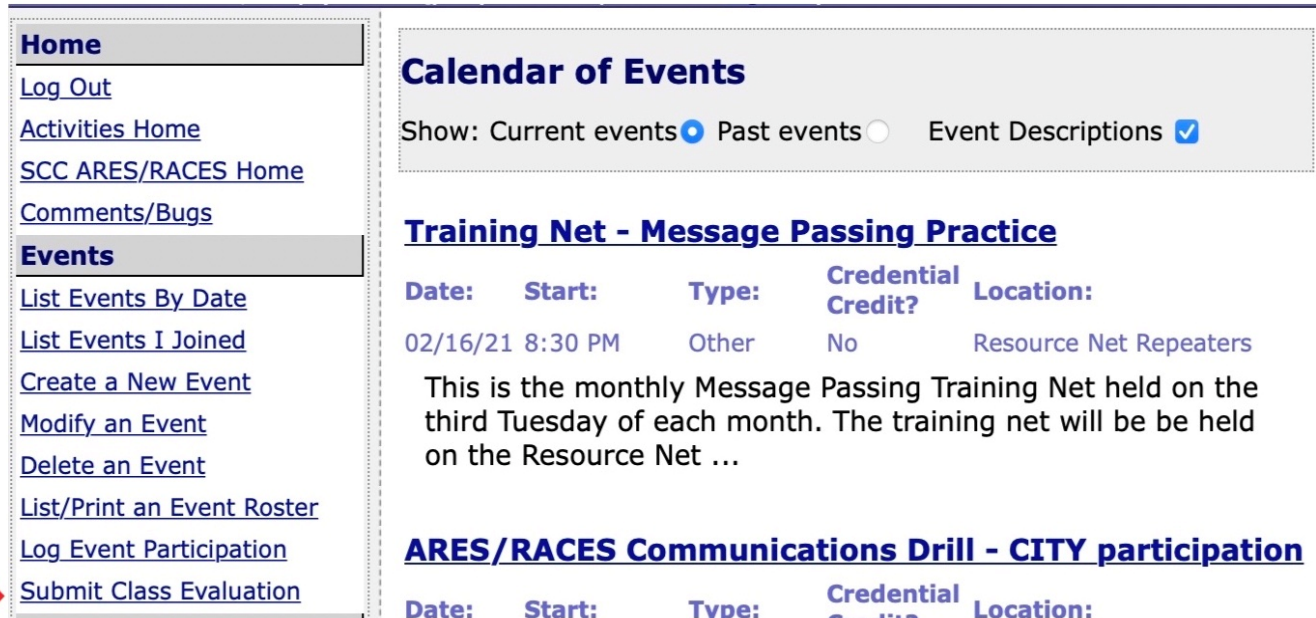
- a) Attend at least 90% of the class
- b) Participate in class
- b) Complete the class evaluation

If you do these, you will get credit for the course.

Online Class Evaluation

Log into <https://www.scc-ares-races.org/activities/events.php>

Click "Submit Class Evaluation" in Events



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Calendar of Events
Show: Current events Past events Event Descriptions

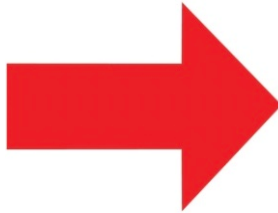
Training Net - Message Passing Practice

Date:	Start:	Type:	Credential Credit?	Location:
02/16/21	8:30 PM	Other	No	Resource Net Repeaters

This is the monthly Message Passing Training Net held on the third Tuesday of each month. The training net will be held on the Resource Net ...

ARES/RACES Communications Drill - CITY participation

Date:	Start:	Type:	Credential Credit?	Location:
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Thank You!

- If you have questions or feedback about this or other training activities, join our Training discussion group. This is a moderated group:
 - <https://www.scc-ares-races.org/discuss-groups>

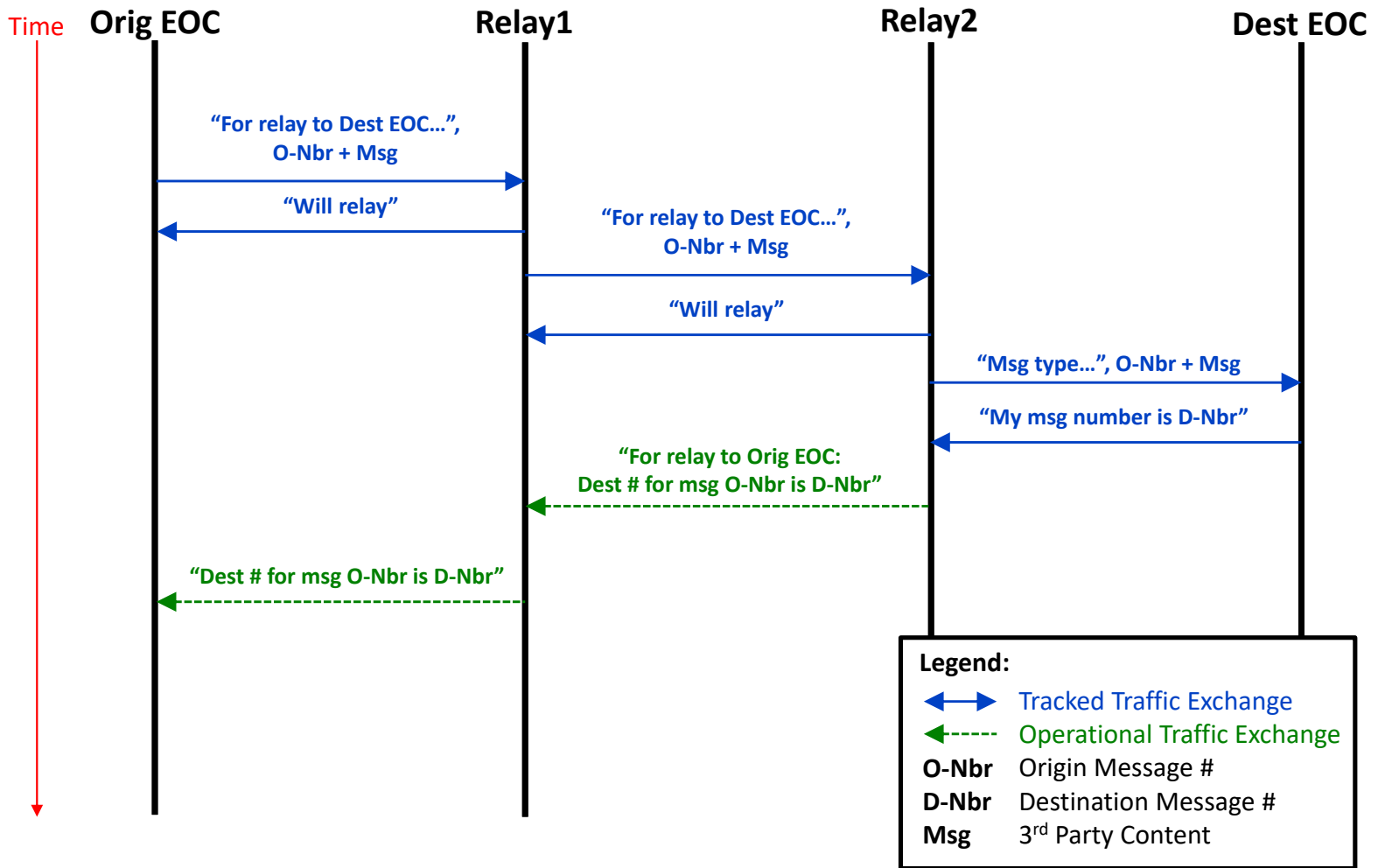
Message Relay Exercise

- We are only to send the message number, priority, and subject. We will not send the rest of the message content for this exercise.
- Xanadu EOC Sends ICS-213 to Shelter 1 via Fire Station 4
 - [Slide 74](#)
- Fire Station 4 relays to Shelter 1 and receives Destination Message Number from Shelter 1
 - [Slide 76](#)
- Fire Station 4 relays Destination Message # to Xanadu EOC
 - [Slide 78](#)

Appendix

Example, Relaying with 2 relay hops

Relay – 3 Hops



Relay – 3 Hops With Different Return Path

