

Drill Traffic Preface (ICS 213 Messages)

Tonight's drill message will be in ICS-213 format. Please prepare to copy. Blank ICS-213 forms are available on the CCAR website.

While you are getting ready to copy, I'll pass along some information about tonight's message.

When sending the message, I'll be using standard prowords, however, the proword FIGURES will not be used in the date and time fields, since numerals are normally expected in those fields.

I will also be using the phrases "MESSAGE TEXT FOLLOWS" and "END OF MESSAGE TEXT" to note the start and finish of the main body of the message.

All stations, please standby.

(Transmit the message...)

Stations requiring fills, please call now.

(Service any fill requests received.)

All stations – please acknowledge receipt of the message during the checkout procedure.

(Return control to the NCS station.)

Here's an example of how this message would be transmitted over the air:

ICS213 MESSAGE FOLLOWS...

THIS IS A DRILL

To ... All Net Stations

From ... Craig [AMATEUR_CALL] WHISKEY BRAVO THREE GOLF CHARLIE KILO

Position ... [LETTER_GROUP] CHARLIE CHARLIE ALPHA ROMEO Net Manager

Subject ... Practice Your Skills

Date ... January TWO ZERO

Time ... ONE NINE ONE FOUR

[MESSAGE TEXT FOLLOWS]

Practice your radio operation [COMMA] message handling and Net Control skills before the emergency [PERIOD] The [LETTER_GROUP] CHARLIE CHARLIE ALPHA ROMEO weekly net is a good place to hone your net control skills [PERIOD] Consider becoming a Net Control Operator [PERIOD]

[END OF MESSAGE TEXT]

Signature ... Craig [AMATEUR_CALL] WHISKEY BRAVO THREE GOLF CHARLIE KILO

Position ... [LETTER_GROUP] CHARLIE CHARLIE ALPHA ROMEO Net Manager

END OF MESSAGE

NO MORE

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