

News and Announcements

1) Upcoming Events

6/15 AF JROTC Event

7/4 Bisbee Coaster Race

7/16-17 Williams Hamfest

2) Air Force Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps – We have been asked to support an evening of training at the JROTC Training Camp in Garden Canyon. We will be deploying the MCU and setting up some displays showing different aspects of amateur radio. Dale has a plan developed for this event. Please contact Dale (NJ7C) if you still want to assist this event

3) Bisbee Coaster Race - Just a reminder to put this down on your calendar. It is on a Sunday morning this year. Please sign up with RB Rice or myself.

Training — Incident Action Plans – On our last net we briefly discussed Incident Action Plans or IAPs. A suggestion was made that we routinely develop these for the various preplanned events we participate in as well for practice. I had already considered that and will begin to prepare one for the Coaster Race. We may even have time to still put one together for the JROTC event on the 15th. Dale already has a lot of the information and planning prepared so it should not be too difficult to do. We have a net on the 9th, just a week before the event so should be able to present it then. As short recap, the incident action plan (IAP) formally documents incident goals (known as control objectives in National Incident Management System (NIMS)), operational period objectives, and the response strategy defined by incident command during response planning. I would like to discuss the ICS 205 - Comm Plan this evening.

Purpose: The Incident Radio Communications Plan provides, in a concise format, information on all radio frequency assignments for each operational period. The plan is a summary of information obtained from the Radio Requirements Worksheet (ICS Form 216) and the Radio Frequency Assignment Worksheet (ICS Form 217). Information from the Radio Communications Plan on frequency assignments is normally placed on the appropriate Assignment List (ICS Form 204).

Preparation: The Incident Radio Communications Plan is prepared by the Communications Unit Leader and given to the Planning Section Chief.

Distribution: The Incident Radio Communications Plan is duplicated and given to all recipients of the Incident Objectives form including the Incident Communications Center. Information from the plan is placed on Assignment Lists.

Instructions for Completing the Incident Radio Communications Plan (ICS Form 205)

ITEM TITLE - INSTRUCTIONS

Incident Name - Print the name assigned to the incident.

Date/Time Prepared - Enter date (month, day, year) and time prepared (24-hour clock).

Operational Period Date/Time - Enter the date and time interval for which the Radio Communications Plan applies. Record the start time and end time and include date(s).

Channel - Enter the radio channel numbers assigned.

Function - Enter the function each channel number is assigned (i.e., command, support, division, tactical, and ground-to-air.)

Channel Name – Use the Alpha-Numeric Title of the channel

Assignment – How is the channel used, Primary? Secondary?

Rx Frequency - Enter the radio receive frequency (e.g., 153.4000 and whether it is Wide or Narrow)

RX Tone - Enter the PL, Digital code, or CSQ for Call Squelch

TX Frequency - Enter the transmit frequency and N or W for Narrow or Wide

TX Tone – Enter the PL, Digital code or CSQ for Call Squelch.

Mode – Analog, Digital (P25) or M for Mixed Mode

Remarks: This section should include limited narrative information regarding special situations.

Prepared By: Enter the name(s) of the Communications Unit Leader preparing the form.

Incident Location: - Enter County Name, State, & Lat Long information for the incident if you have it.

That's it for tonight's training. If you have any questions, please ask them during comments.

Don't forget our next Net will be on May 12 at 2000 Hrs. Don't forget the CARA net on Thursday evenings at 1900 hours on the 146.76 repeater. This is N7INK and the net is closed.

Bob
Robert L Hollister

Thought for the day:

Nothing hurts more than that moment during an argument when you realize you're wrong.