

## Central MS ARES Winlink Net

Effective March 1, 2025 the format of the Central MS ARES Winlink Net will change as follows:

- The Net will open at 0001 central time Monday morning and close at 2359 central time on Friday night.
- There will be multiple templates used. The CMSARES template will only be used the first week of each month.
- Check ins will be once a week with the template (see below) for that week.
- You will be notified by Winlink email of any template changes or other special events.
- Months with a 5<sup>th</sup> Monday will be considered the 1<sup>st</sup> week of the following month for record keeping purposes.

Starting off we will use the following templates for check ins:

- Week 1 will be the Central MS ARES Winlink Checkin Template. Instruction for installing it are on the website at MSARES.com. Once installed it should be located in the Global Templates folder.
- Week 2 will be the ICS-213 General Message located under Standard Templates, ICS USA Forms
- Week 3 will be a Quick Welfare Message located under Standard Templates, Radiogram & RRI Forms
- Week 4 will be a Radiogram located under Standard Templates, Radiogram & RRI Forms

Except for the Central MS ARES Winlink Checkin form and the Quick Welfare Message form you must have check in info in the following format:

Callsign, first name, town/city, county, state, transmission mode

Example:

K5FIT, JACK, FLOWOOD, RANKIN, MS, VARA HF

On forms that have GPS coordinates you are not required to fill those in unless you want to. That may be a feature for the future.

I expect to expand to other forms from time to time and that info will be in a Winlink email to each participant.

Any questions can be submitted to [cmsareswinlink@msares.com](mailto:cmsareswinlink@msares.com)

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