**EASTERN NEW YORK SECTION SET 2015**

The premise for this exercise is to accumulate as many points for each County as possible by activating as many stations as possible from as many locations (including any served agencies) as possible. Points are accumulated for each active station and up to 10 pieces of traffic (either formal or tactical) sent either at the local net level or passed to other local, district, section level nets or served agencies. A summary of point scoring is below. This system may vary from the ARRL SET scoring to emphasize section objectives.

**RULES**

IMPORTANT NOTE: The words “DRILL MESSAGE" shall appear at the beginning of all messages, formal or tactical. “END DRILL MESSAGE” shall appear at the end of each piece of formal traffic.

The Section net for this drill will be held on the N2ACF repeater system. See rra.net for local frequencies. Stations not participating should refrain from the use of this system during the exercise. District nets are as arranged by the DEC.

Hours of operation: 9 AM through 12 NOON, Saturday, October 3th 2014. (SEE ALSO: Local alternate rule below)

At 9 AM, each county shall activate a county net on its designated repeater and/or designated simplex frequency. At the minimum there shall be a NCS and a liaison station (for moving messages to other nets). All active stations in each county will check into their preferred net and give signal report, a total of their station's individual points and any message they wish to pass. If the net has moved to its designated simplex frequency, at each 1/2 hour increment either the NCS or a liaison shall check the primary repeater frequency for any incoming or outgoing traffic. At 11am, all local nets shall send a liaison to the District net to check in with a signal report and the total of points they have achieved (this may account for 1 piece of traffic). At 11:30 AM the District NCS will check into the Section net with a formal piece of traffic for the SEC giving total points for the district. NOTE: Counties without a defined district net may check in directly to the Section Net on the N2ACF system at 11:30 AM.

Exercise ends at 12 NOON. Stations may secure earlier if no further service is expected. Typically this will be the individual mobile, home or portable stations. Served agencies should stay active until the exercise ends and may wish to monitor the Section Net for further information.

Each county EC or their designate is responsible to see that this event runs smoothly and points are collected as accurately as possible. While there will be a tendency for competition between counties, ideally each county is in competition with itself. This score will become a base number for each county to improve itself over time by incorporating better contact with served agencies, learning new skills, and procedures.

**Local Alternate Rule**

If a local exercise is scheduled within 30 days prior to the section SET (such as Indian Point or other partner agency), an alternate local substitution may be made. Notifying the SEC in advance, the EC should score the alternate drill as the SET and report on SET date.

**AFTER ACTION REPORT**

Within 7 days of the SET, the EC/RO or designate should submit a written report/summary of:

1) the break down of the point count

2) comments of what went wrong or didn't work as anticipated

3) comments on what worked correctly

4) ideas for improvement

These reports should be submitted (email preferred) to the DEC and SEC and should be shared with members of the group as a discussion topic.

Please also complete and send the ARRL 2014 EC SET report and send to the ARRL. Deadline is February 3, 2016.

**SET 2015 POINT SYSTEM FOR EACH COUNTY**

*NEW RULE for 2015* 20 points.........Submission of Communications Plan using applicable ICS form(s) to SEC. 5 BONUS points if sent to km2o@winlink.org for a total of 25 points.

20 points.........Submission of 2015 EC SET Report (Form A) to ARRL. This is by honor system but will be checked when SET results appear in QST in mid-2015.

15 points.........Served Agency HQ Locations (County EOCs, Red Cross and National Weather Service offices, etc.)

10 points........."Shelters" including fire stations, churches, hospitals or schools (operator has made contact with agency and ideally stationed inside the premises)

10 points..........using portable gear at remote location (includes dedicated "Go Box" and portable VHF/UHF antenna-not mobile)

10 points per op...using NBEMS, Winlink, D-Star or other digital means (both Receive and transmitting stations receive credit)

10 points.........for press release submitted

5 points per op..using non-commercial power (includes generator, battery, solar, etc.)

5 points per op...mobile operators

5 points.........."shelters"(see above) in parking lot only

3 points per op...operator using APRS

2 points..........operator at home

1 point...........for EACH piece of formal traffic sent (10 points maximum)