

# DFW Metroplex Late Traffic Net

22:30 on 146.72 MHz/WA5CKF PL 110.9

One to two minutes before the net is scheduled to begin, ask if anyone needs to use the repeater, and if so, let them do so. At 22:30 open the net with the preamble.

## Preamble

This is <callsign>, my name is <name>, and I will be your Net Control Station for this session of the DFW Metroplex Late Traffic Net. This net is a local affiliate of the ARRL's National Traffic System. Our purposes are to move traffic into and out of the DFW area through the NTS. All stations licensed for 2-meter operation are welcome and encouraged to participate.

This is a directed net; therefore, please do not transmit without direction from net control. Stations are reminded to check in using their callsign only, using ITU phonetics only and to ID at the end of all transmissions. Stations that need to check out of the net should do so by rechecking with net control, indicating their need to secure, and also indicating what should be done with any listed traffic. Stations with emergency or priority traffic may enter the net at any time using the prosign BREAK-BREAK, followed by their callsign. Are there any stations with emergency or priority traffic?

*<Pause for any stations with emergency or priority traffic>*

## Order of business

### Liaison check-ins

- Alternate Net Control Station (ANC)
- Texas CW Net (TEX)
- Texas Traffic Net Early or 7290 Traffic Net (TTNE/7290)
- Digital (DIGITAL)
- Military Auxiliary Radio System (MARS)
- Southwest Traffic Net (SWTN)
- DFW Early Liaison (EARLY)
- ARES/RACES from Dallas, Tarrant, Denton, Collin, Rockwall (ARES/RACES)
- ARES/RACES from any other North Texas Counties (ARES/RACES)

### Stations with traffic check-ins

Take a list of check-ins from stations wishing to list traffic with the net, using callsigns only, and ITU phonetics only.

### General check-ins

Take a list of check-ins from stations wishing to participate in the net, using callsigns only, and ITU phonetics only.

*All stations checking into the net should be regarded as traffic handlers, and eligible to be called upon to handle traffic. Any station called upon who declines to handle traffic, without good cause, should have their check-in stricken from the net's check-in list, and their callsign should not be included in the net report. Note that checking in mobile or portable is NOT good cause for declining traffic. NCSs should consider mobile stations as outlets of last resort, and only assign traffic to them if there is no other traffic handler from any area available to take it.*

*After approximately 22:45, stop asking for stations with traffic. Any stations who check in wishing to list traffic after 22:45 should be asked to hold their traffic for a future net.*

## Traffic Handling

Handle traffic in the following order, and using liaisons in the specified order, as available:

- **Incoming local traffic:** Closest available traffic handler to recipient address
- Traffic for other cities in Texas: DTTN, 7290, DIGITAL, TEX
- **Out of state traffic:** DIGITAL, DTTN, 7290, TEX

## Bulletins and announcements

Ask if there are any stations who would like to give bulletins or announcements. If there are, let them do so.

## Reports

If any stations are listing reports for the Net Manager or the Section Traffic Manager, have them pass them. Reports to the Net Manager should be passed to the Asst. Net Manager if he or she is checked in and the Net Manager is not.

*Remember to ask for general check-ins throughout the net. Any traffic not passed can be carried over to the DFW Metroplex Early Traffic net via the DFW Early Liaison. When all traffic that can be passed has been, all other business has been completed, and there are no further check-ins, read the postamble and close the net.*

## Postamble

That will conclude this session of the DFW Metroplex Late Traffic Net. To become a registered member of this net, which is not necessary for you to be able to participate, please send email addressed to [register@dfwtrafficnet.org](mailto:register@dfwtrafficnet.org); please include your callsign, name, address, telephone number, email address, license class and traffic handling capabilities – the modes and bands you can operate – along with the areas to which you can deliver traffic by a toll-free phone call. All stations are invited to call us on the air following the net, or to visit our website at [www.dfwtrafficnet.org](http://www.dfwtrafficnet.org). Feel free to contact the Net Manager, KC5FAZ, or the Assistant Net Manager, K8AMH, by sending email addressed to the appropriate callsign [@dfwtrafficnet.org](mailto:@dfwtrafficnet.org). You may also contact the ARRL North Texas Section Traffic Manager, KE5HYW, by sending email addressed to his callsign [@arrl.net](mailto:@arrl.net).

Would anyone like any fills?

*<Pause for any stations requesting fills>*

DFW Early will meet tomorrow evening at 18:30 on 146.88 MHz, with a PL of 110.9 Hz, and this net will meet again tomorrow night at 22:30 on this repeater with a different net control. I would like to thank all stations for their participation, and thanks to the Irving Amateur Radio Club for the use of their repeater, WA5CKF. This is **<callsign>** closing the net at **<24-hour format time>** and returning the repeater to normal amateur radio use.

*Please remember to record the number of minutes the net was in session, the number of check-ins (including yourself) and the number of messages passed, and send the Net Manager or Asst. Net Manager your net report within 48 hours after the net.*