

Summit County Skywarn Weather Net.

Use these scripts when acting as net control for the Summit County Skywarn net.

First Transmission

Attention all Skywarn Spotters and Amateur Radio Operators! This is (call-sign) and I am now starting a net for Summit County Skywarn for which we will use the club call of K8SCS. We will start this net in (**net mode name) mode due to a [Insert Watch / Warning Name] that has been issued for [Insert County Name] by the NWS and this (these) storm(s) may eventually effect Summit County. *(If you are going to take check-ins proceed to the Net Check-Ins section.)*

If Not Taking Check-ins Continue With: “The repeater is still open for normal amateur use but please allow long pauses between transmissions to allow any weather traffic to be passed on.”

Standby Mode.

This is Summit County Skywarn.

Skywarn is currently in standby mode due to a [Insert Watch / Warning Name] that has been issued for [Insert County Name] by the NWS and this (these) storm(s) may eventually effect Summit County. *(If you are going to take check-ins proceed to the Net Check-Ins section.)*

Net Check-ins: *(If needed)* I will now start taking check-ins. If you are going to check in, Please state your call-sign, first name and location and also state if you have a report or if you just want to check in.

Any stations wishing to check in or to report any adverse weather conditions may call K8SCS at this time.

If Not Taking Check-ins Continue With: “The repeater is still open for normal amateur use but please allow long pauses between transmissions to allow any weather traffic to be passed on.”

(Once Or Twice a Net): We should mention that if it becomes necessary to change frequencies because this repeater goes down. We will switch to the 145.170 repeater. In the unlikely event that the repeater is also down, a simplex net on 147.270 would be the next step.

*****Net mode names are:***
Stand-by net
Severe Thunderstorm net
Tornado net

Remember! ID as K8SCS every 10 minutes!

Severe Thunderstorm Warning.

All stations please stand by. <Slight Pause>

This is Summit County Skywarn.

(Initial Announcement!)

We are now going into a directed net. All traffic must go through net control.

(Start here after initial announcement!)

Summit County is now (currently) under a severe thunderstorm warning until (Time :) [Insert latest NWS bulletin here. Or say "text to follow"]

We are looking for reports of:

High Winds in excess of 58 mph.

Heavy rain

Hail, dime size or larger.(use coin size for accuracy)

Flash flooding or Storm damage.

If you are reporting heavy rain, please be prepared to give us the start time, amount, if it is measured or estimated report, and the period of time in which it was measured.

If you are reporting hail, please give us the size in relationship to coins.

If you have any reports of this type, Please pass them on to net control at this time.

(Announce as Needed)

Safety First

If you are in the path of this, (these) storm(s) please take care of your own safety first! We would rather have a late report from you and have you safe then to not have either one.

Storm Chasing.

If you decide to chase this (these) storm(s) the decision to do so is strictly your own. Net control can tell you the approximate position of this storm but will not tell you where to position yourself at any time.

Remember! ID as K8SCS every 10 minutes!

Tornadic Activity

(This section may be adjusted to fit the current situation.)

All stations please stand by. <Slight Pause>

This is Summit County Skywarn.

(Initial Announcement!)

We are now going into a directed net. All traffic must go through net control.

(Start here after initial announcement!)

Summit County is now in a Tornado Warning until: (Time) (Insert Latest Weather Bulletin.)

We are looking for reports of Tornadic Activity, which include;

Wall clouds

Funnel Clouds

Tornadoes

Hail, dime size or larger (use coin size for accuracy)

Extremely Heavy Rain in excess of 1/2 inch in a 30-minute time period or less.

If you're reporting heavy rain please be prepared to give us the amount, if it was measured or estimated, and the time frame in which it was measured.

If you are reporting hail please give us the size in relationship to coins.

Please give us these types of reports ***** ONLY! *****

If you have any reports of this type, Please pass them on to net control at this time.

Remember! ID as K8SCS every 10 minutes!

Storm Damage Summaries. (Returning to Standby)

*(*Note! This is only done when some amount of damage has been reported!*)*

Skywarn is now returning to standby mode and we will now begin to take Storm Damage and Rainfall Summaries.

We are now looking for;

- Rainfall Amount summaries,
- Storm damage reports and summaries.
- Or any further reports of Severe Weather.

If you have any reports of these types, Please pass them on to net control at this time.

Regular Stand-Down (Returning to Standby)

This is Summit County Skywarn.

Skywarn is now returning to standby mode. The repeater will now reopen for normal amateur use but please allow long pauses between transmissions to allow for any further weather traffic to be passed on.

If you have any further reports, please pass them on to net control at this time.

Remember! ID as K8SCS every 10 minutes!

(Last Transmission)

The all clear has been given and Skywarn is going to stand down and close the net.

At this time, I would like to thank all who participated in Skywarn and brought us reports. We would also like to take time to thank the C.F.A.R.C. (and or W8UPD University of Akron) Amateur Radio Club for allowing us to use the repeater during these severe weather events. Without both of you, Skywarn would not be possible and we thank you!

This is (Call Sign) for K8SCS, I now pronounce this net closed at (TIME) local time. We thank you for being here, and see you at the next storm.
