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CO ARES R1D1 Member Volunteer Requirements

Purpose:

The purpose of this document is to outline specific requirements to be a Colorado Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) member with NOCO ARES (Colorado ARES Region 1 District 1). While we are all volunteers, it is imperative that we maintain our standards of membership so that we can better serve our communities.

Outline:

Colorado ARES Region 1 District 1 utilizes a tiered membership level of operations, which consists of Tier 1 (lowest) through Tier 4 (highest). This is to ensure our Served Agencies received the best possible service. Each member will be given a "Task Book" to record their individual progress through each of the Tier levels. At the end of each phase any of the Directors/Team Leads can sign off on progress.

Requirements

Tier 1:

Tier 1 members are those that have simply filled out the application form and in the process of working towards advancing to a Tier 2 membership. Tier 1 members are also considered Non-Deployable.

Tier 2:

Tier 2 members of Colorado ARES Region 1 District 1 are new members that have completed the following and considered a Secondary Deployable member.

- ICS 100
- ICS 700
- Colorado Volunteer Mobilizer registration (Below items completed within CVM)
 - Background Check
 - o ICS Course document upload
 - CVM ID Badge

Tier 3:

Tier 3 members of Colorado ARES Region 1 District 1 have successfully completed all steps in the previous levels of membership as well as those listed below and considered a Primary Deployable member. Tier 3 members will also work towards maintaining their skill set

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by actively practicing and demonstrating their abilities. This can be done by being active with Colorado ARES Region 1 District 1 through regular participation in ARES activities.

- IC-200
- IC-800
- Demonstrate proficiency in Net Control operations.
 - o Accurately copy and transcribe radio traffic via voice communications.
- Demonstrate an understanding to accurately read and transcribe commonly used ICS forms such as the following but not limited to:

-ICS-205 Comms Plan	-ICS-213 General Message
-ICS-213RR Resource Request	-ICS-214 Activity Log
-ICS-309 Communications Log	

• Demonstrate proficiency in basic radio equipment troubleshooting.

Items such as, but not limited to those listed below:

- \circ $\;$ $\;$ Items to check if radio is not receiving.
- o Items to check if the radio powers off when attempting to transmit.
- Power connections are properly fastened.
- Demonstrate an understanding and use of the Winlink email system.
 - Participation in the Winlink Thursday Exercise.
- Demonstrate the ability to problem solve issues that may arise during an activation.

Items such as, but not limited to those listed below:

- Building loss of power.
- Location in affected emergency area.
- Being informed that ARES Services will be needed around the clock and/or long term activation.

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Tier 4:

In order for a Colorado ARES Region 1 District 1 member to achieve a Tier 4 status they must complete all previous levels of membership as well as complete the AuxComm training. More information on AuxComm can be found at the following link:

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https://coloradoares.org/auxcomm-new-member-training-process/

Summary:

The goal of the above listed membership levels is to help maintain a knowledgeable membership pool of individuals. This can only be accomplished with continued training and participation of its members. To aid in this process each member will have a personal task book to be completed documenting their progress and achievements. This task book will be in both physical and digital format only visible to the individual and leadership team.

We are not just Volunteers; we are all Unpaid Professionals and should strive for excellence through continued participation and education. We have a vast variety of tools at our disposal and should utilize all of them in the proper time and efficiency.

James Dixon

Printed Name of District Emergency Coordinator

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Signature

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Date Signed