



FORSYTH COUNTY AUXCOMM

WEATHER NET

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Forsyth County AuxComm operates a “Weather Net” anytime the National Weather Service (NWS) issues a WARNING for Forsyth County on the W4NC 145.470 (-) 100 hz repeater. The backup repeater is the K4GW 147.315 (+) 100 hz repeater. The AuxComm Coordinator or designee may initiate weather nets for warnings issued for the following counties as well: Davie, Yadkin, Stokes and Davidson. Most severe weather that affects Forsyth County comes through these counties so including them in these nets provides early insight into the actual weather conditions that will affect the county.

Forsyth and Davidson counties are within the Raleigh County Warning Area (CWA). Yadkin County is within the Blacksburg CWA and Davie is in the Greenville – Spartanburg CWA. Because of this Forsyth AuxComm is in the unique position to be able to provide the Raleigh NWS office with a little advanced notice of actual conditions entering their warning area.

To be able to provide accurate spotter reporting Forsyth AuxComm has developed a standardized reporting format. This information may be sent to the Net Control Station (NCS) via informal voice or routine message (ICS-213). Spotters seeing any of the following should **immediately** report the sighting to the NCS and NWS if able.

- 1) Funnel Cloud
- 2) Tornado

All other reports will be taken at intervals during the net however station may pass the traffic to the NCS at any time during the net. Information should be presented in the following format:

- 1) Call Sign
- 2) Name (First and Last)
- 3) Contact Phone Number
- 4) Location (street address and if available Lat / Long in decimal format – i.e.
Lat: 36.116142 Long: -80.41364)
- 4) Skywarn certified: Yes or No
- 4) Weather Station Make / Model (if used)
- 5) Measured, estimated or Mixed data



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- 6) Time of observation (Local time – 24 hour format) (Not time of report)
- 7) What was observed (I.E. hail, flooding, storm damage, etc.)
- 8) Other remarks

Reports are requested anytime during the net and up to 2 hours after the net closes. After this point, reports should be submitted directly to the NWS office following the information provided during Skywarn certification.

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