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*Here is a "script" for general guidance on our CERT simplex nets at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday evenings. **Conduct a "radio check" approximately 15 minutes and 2 minutes BEFORE** the start of the net to be sure that you can Tx/Rx adequately to proceed. Remember to ID every 10 min. Try to conclude the net within 30 minutes. If you need a copy of the roster check [www.vistacert.org](http://www.vistacert.org)*

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The Vista CERT Communications Team Net will begin in approximately 15 (2) minutes.

This is **[first name, call sign]** Net Control for the Vista CERT Communications Team Net. This net meets each Thursday at 1900 hours on this simplex frequency. Stations with emergency traffic may break in at any time.

The purpose of this net is to provide ongoing training and practice for Vista CERT amateur radio operators in both radio operations and emergency communications. You do not need to be a member of Vista CERT to participate in this net, as visitors are always welcome.

This is a directed net - all stations please direct comments to Net Control only and wait to be acknowledged before continuing.

**[Optional CM Rating]**

*Please note that we will be using the Circuit Merit System rating of each station checking in. This information will be gathered just before the end of the net from each CERT member station that checked in this evening.*

If you hear a station check in that I do **NOT** acknowledge, please provide a relay **AFTER** roll call, *when I ask for late or missed stations.*

Roll call of our official net members will now begin. Be sure to respond with your call sign, first name, and your general location.

At the conclusion of the official roll call, there will be an opportunity for visitors to check in.

***Current Check In list available on [www.vistacert.org](http://www.vistacert.org)***

Are there any late or missed check-ins from regular net members? Call signs please.

Are there any visitors to the net this evening? Please come back now with your call signs. [*acknowledge each visitor and welcome them. Can ask if they are CERT or would like info.*]

This is **[First Name, Call Sign]**.

Are there any announcements for the net? Call signs please.

***[Program, if any]***

Are there any questions for the net? Call signs please.

Next week's net control operator is **[First Name, Call Sign]** will you be available?

Next week's backup net control operator is **[First Name, Call Sign]** will you be available?

***[Optional Collect CM Rating Next]***

Net Control will now collect Circuit Merit ratings. Following are the stations that checked in this evening, including visitors *[read through the list – this is important in case NC heard someone but no one else did]*. As I call on you, please provide your CM rating for each of the stations checking in. If you are a visitor and not familiar with the Circuit Merit System, please respond with a "pass." *[read through the check-in list one-by-one and collect reports]*

Thanks everyone for checking in this evening and thanks to Vista CERT for sponsoring this net. For additional information on Vista CERT, please visit our website at [www.vistacert.org](http://www.vistacert.org)

Since it appears there is no further business for the net, this concludes the Vista CERT Communications Team net. This is **[first name, call sign]**.and this net is now closed.

**Signal Quality - Circuit Merit System (report as "CM[#]" or "Charlie Mike [#])**

- 5 **Broadcast Quality**
- 4 **Slight Amount of Static** but clearly understood
- 3 **Lots of Static**, but can still understand (barely)
- 2 **Noise Level Close to Signal Level**, too many words missed to understand
- 1 **Words Unintelligible**, signal is there but no communication possible
- 0 **Absolutely No Signal Detectable**