

## Steps to request to use the W5NC Repeater

The following items will need to be addressed when requesting the use of W5NC repeaters to provide communications support for a public service event or a net other than the NARS club weekly nets published in the NARS News newsletter.

### §91.101 General Standards

(c) At all times and on all frequencies, each control operator must give priority to stations providing emergency communications, ~~except to stations transmitting~~ and when communications are for training drills and tests in RACES are run at times other than scheduled weekly NARS nets.

Since it is in the FCC rules that an emergency communications need outweighs any scheduled weekly net, the emergency communications will be given priority. If there is a weather event or similar emergency in the Houston area then a quick email should be sent to the club trustee, Paul Owen, N5NXS, and he will let the NARS Board members know of the use of the repeaters for an emergency event. The trustee will be the point of contact for any updates during the emergency.

1. Any licensed operator may request the use of the repeater for a public service event or start a weekly net, other than during a day and time that a NARS weekly net is already scheduled.
2. The request should start with the President of the NARS Board first because the board members will decide if the net can operate on the club repeater.
3. This request should be addressed to the NARS President at least 2 weeks minimum before the next meeting of the NARS board.
4. The request must state the purpose, the proposed day, start time, and the end time of the net. It should also have a current NARS member(s) that will be part of this new net.
5. It will then be discussed between the board members and the Trustee. If it is voted on and approved, then the member is notified that the net can proceed on an interim period stated by the board.