

## 2018 Wyandotte County RACES Spotter Test.

There are 37 questions.

Circle the correct answer to each question.

When completed submit the test by Friday March 16, 2018 to:

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1. The Net and Net Controllers are officially activated by:
  - a. The County Administrator
  - b. The Emergency Management Department.
  - c. The Net Control Officer.
  - d. The Chief Radio Officer
  
2. Once activated, WYCO RACES nets are directed nets, which means:
  - a. The Net Control Operator only gives driving directions.
  - b. The Net operates under strict procedures and is managed by Net Control.
  - c. Any station can communicate with another station at any time as long as call letters are used.
  - d. The net can operate without a net control.
  
3. If you are a certified spotter and the net has been activated for a watch, you should only report in if you are:
  - a. Able to deploy to an assignment
  - b. Able to report from home
  - c. Assist in the EOC
  - d. Any of the above.
  
4. What should you check prior to advising availability for a spotter location:
  - a. Check that your radio equipment is operational.
  - b. Check that your car is safe to operate.
  - c. Check that your cell phone is charged and operational.
  - d. All the above.

5. Keep all radio transmissions:

- a. As long as possible but do not time out the repeater.
- b. As short as possible but transmit all the required information.
- c. As short as possible even if you have to leave out critical information.
- d. As long as possible for radio test purposes.

6. Keep the frequency clear of:

- a. All important transmissions.
- b. All unnecessary transmissions
- c. All priority transmissions.
- d. Tornado reports

7. Assignments will be based on the members' proximity to required locations and priority given by:

- a. The County Administrator
- b. The Emergency Management Duty Officer.
- c. The Net Control Officer.
- d. The Chief Radio Officer

8. You are permitted to refuse any instructions from Net Control which will place you in:

- a. Danger
- b. Harms Way
- c. Unfamiliar territory
- d. All the above

9. What are four important Spotter Safety Tips (ACES):

- a. Awareness, Communications, Escape Routes, Safe Zones
- b. Amateur Radio, CB Radio, Emergency Radio, Safety Radio
- c. Acquire Information, Call for Briefing, Expand Rumors, Stress Out
- d. Accept Donations, Cross Flooded Roads, Effective Communications, Speed towards the spotting location

10. Upon arrival at the spotter location, ensure you have at least how many exit(s):

- a. None
- b. 1
- c. 2 but only north and south
- d. 2 or more and more is better.

11. List two things you should do when suspicious activity occurs at your assigned location.

- a. Leave the area immediately and then report the situation to Net Control.
- b. No action is required.
- c. Stay in the area and report the situation to Net Control
- d. Leave the area immediately, no reporting to net control is necessary.

12. List two things you should do when Law Enforcement, Security Guard, or official of the location you are spotting from request that you leave the area?

- a. Leave the area immediately and then report the situation to Net Control.
- b. No action is required.
- c. Stay in the area and report the situation to Net Control
- d. Leave the area immediately, no reporting to net control is necessary.

13. Quarter inch hail is falling at your location. Advise how you would report the situation to Net Control?

- a. Pea size, or quarter inch, hail is falling at your location. Report when hail has ended or size changed.
- b. Nickel size, or quarter inch, hail is falling at your location. Report when hail has ended or size changed
- c. Quarter size, or quarter inch, hail is falling at your location. Report when hail has ended or size changed
- d. Half Dollar size, or quarter inch, hail is falling at your location. Report when hail has ended or size changed.

14. What you should do should your radio fail?

- a. Contact the EOC as soon as possible by other communication means and report your situation.
- b. No action is required.
- c. Remain at your location until another storm spotter checks on you.
- d. Leave the location and report to the EOC.

15. What of the following can WYCO RACES members use to anticipate severe weather days?

- a. Local NOAA NWS web page
- b. NOAA all-hazards radio
- c. TV and Radio
- d. All Above

16. Activation of Net Controllers and the WYCORACES Net is requested by:

- a. Any RACES member
- b. Wyandotte County Emergency Management Duty Officer
- c. Wyandotte County Sheriff's Office
- d. The WYCORACES Chief Radio Officer or Operations Officer

17. Upon arrival at your assigned spotter location you should:

- a. Advise Net Control
- b. Complete a safety check of equipment and your vehicle
- c. Advise the nearest spotter location what you see.
- d. Switch frequencies to listen to another net until something happens

18. If Net Control requests that you should go to spotter location "P03", where is this location?

- a. 110th and I-70 (Kansas Speedway)
- b. S. 55th and Pierson Park Rd (Pierson Park)
- c. I-435 and Kansas Ave (Kansas Avenue)
- d. State Ave and College Ave (Lowe's)

19. If Net Control requests that you should go to spotter location "P01", where is this location?

- a. 110th and I-70 (Kansas Speedway)
- b. S. 55th and Pierson Park Rd (Pierson Park)
- c. I-435 and Kansas Ave (Kansas Avenue)
- d. State Ave and College Ave (Lowe's)

20. . If Net Control requests that you should go to spotter location "P02", where is this location?

- a. 110th and I-70 (Kansas Speedway)
- b. S. 55th and Pierson Park Rd (Pierson Park)
- c. I-435 and Kansas Ave (Kansas Avenue)
- d. State Ave and College Ave (Lowe's)

21. Sighting situations that should be reported immediately include:

- a. Funnel cloud
- b. Rotating wall cloud
- c. Tornado
- d. All the Above

22. Sighting situations that should be reported as soon as possible include:

- a. Hail size of 1 inch
- b. Wind speed of 58 mph or greater
- c. Rainfall amounts of 1 inch/hour or more
- d. All of the Above

24. After you arrived and checked in with Net Control on your assigned spotter location how would you identify yourself when calling into Net Control?

- a. With the Tactical Call for the location.
- b. Cross Street names
- c. Develop an identification and report it to the Net Control.
- d. Your Last Name

25. When the probability of severe weather is known, WYCORACES personnel should:

- a. Review severe weather operations procedures and make necessary preparations for activation.
- b. Expect initial contact via the paging system by the EOC.
- c. Monitor Wyandotte County RACES frequencies.
- d. Monitor commercial broadcasts and/or NWS websites.
- e. All the above.

26. Which of the following items must a WYCORACES member assigned to a spotter location complete:

- a. Report to Net Control only what you see.
- b. Advise net Control when they are enroute to and arrived at an assigned location
- c. Remain on frequency at all times.
- d. All the above

27. What is an underrated thunderstorm hazard and can occur far away from the rain area.

- a. Rainbows
- b. Lightning
- c. Hail
- d. Sunshine

28. The NWS office that issues the warnings from Wyandotte County, Kansas is located in:

- a. Topeka, Ks
- b. Springfield, Mo
- c. Pleasant Hill, Mo
- d. Kansas City, Mo

29. What is your personal indoor storm detector and gives you critical information direct from the National Weather Service 24/7.

- a. NOAA Weather Radio.
- b. Amateur Radio
- c. TV
- d. Broadcast Radio

30. What resource(s) is/are available to you to anticipate severe weather:

- a. NOAA Weather Radio
- b. Local NOAA NWS web page.
- c. TV and Radio
- d. All of the above.

32. List 3 hazards produced by severe thunderstorms:

- a. Lightning
- b. Hail, Strong Winds.
- c. Tornados
- d. All of the above.

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- b. Shelf Cloud
- c. Cumulonimbus
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