

NCS Notes – footnotes

The numbers listed correspond to the ones circled on the handwritten sheet.

1 – Basic information for entering in my logbook. I keep track of all the stations checking in, and their functions, in an Excel file. I like to have some record of the event in the station log.

2 – These numbers, to the left of the callsigns, are for keeping track of the total number of participants. They start at 2, that's so I don't forget to count myself

3 – WB8RCR represented 8th Region Net Late session

3a – WD8USA represented GLETN and Army MARS

The /D after N8FVM indicates he represented Michigan Digital

4 – WB8RCR lists one for WB8WKQ

4a – WD8USA lists one each for WB8TQZ and Dexter

5 – I use square brackets [] to indicate "Book" or "common text" traffic

6 – TQZ indicates that I (WB8TQZ) will pick up that one

6a – OSL N8OSL is picking up the Flint/K8LJG traffic

6b – KD8LSM gets the Sturgis

6c – WW9E gets the Lowell. I used his complete call sign instead of just the suffix since, if there's more than one station ending in "E" this will resolve the ambiguity. The same rule would apply if WB8RCR and KB8RCR were both picking up traffic but since they were both providers of traffic in this session it didn't matter.

7 – check mark through the traffic listed indicates it was passed.

8 – X through the traffic listed indicates it was canceled (usually because the station holding it either had to leave the net or it was determined that it most likely would not be picked up).

9 – Diagonal line through call sign indicates a station excused from the net either due to no traffic for them to pick up or all of their traffic that could be passed was handled.

10 – Circle used as a reminder to hold a station in the net, do not excuse, as there will be traffic for them. Sometimes it's done early in the net. This time it was done after the \ when that station pointed out he had agreed to pick up traffic and I forgot that fact. (As previously pointed out in other correspondence, yes, Net Control does make mistakes from time to time).

11 – More information for recordkeeping in my station records. 10,9,36 indicates QNI (checkins) 10, QTC (traffic passed) 9, QTR (time in session) 36 minutes. NR211 is to be my message number 211 for the Net Report to the Net Manager (in this case WB8RCR). I keep all of my inbound and outbound traffic in Word files. It saves space, clutter, and makes me use a folder and file/file naming system that keeps things from getting lost. Plus, I never run out of paper!! RX3 I received 3 messages in this session. This info goes into your Station Activity Report and Public Service Honor Roll Report to WB8RCR at the end of the month (if you're inclined to report these things. It's recommended since Section leadership likes to be able to document the levels of activity and service provided to ARRL and served agencies).