

Portable Station Setup Check List

- Check for Antenna deployment
 - Check for overhead power lines
 - Coax cable access to station location
 - Secure antenna for high winds, bungee to bldg. beams, trees etc.
If generator used, make sure it has good power cable input into station and amount of gas on hand.
- Install station
 - Coordinate with supported agency
 - Obtain POC & land line phone numbers at your location
 - Possibly indoctrinate or train supported agencies liaison in Message Procedures and forms we use.
 - Locate nearest AC Power
 - If required install portable Generator or Battery
 - Ensure all cables are duct taped or marked for safety
 - Display Emergency ARES Sign/placard
 - Organize Logs and Forms to be used
- Test Station with Net Control
 - Send COMSPOT report to Net Control
 - If Winlink or packet station, send traffic to local VHF RMS or packet node to Net Control
 - Check for available repeaters from your location
- Remember communications thru our networks is privileged info only for the addressee. Refer individuals, inquiring as to situations or status to the borough PAO, unless it is a request from the supported agency.
- Report any problems, relief requirements, and other necessary support request to Net Control.
- Remote Stations should be prepared to work at assigned location for extended periods of time, so ensure your go bag has the necessary support requirements you may need, including meals, medicine, water, first aid kit and necessary tools to maintain your station. Check your Go Kit Check list before deploying. Make sure you have your ARES or necessary ID.