

Packet Bulletin Net - PKTNET@USA

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WHO: All amateur radio operators

WHAT: Packet Bulletin Net - PKTNET@USA

WHEN: Sunday, August 17, 2025 - 0000 UTC

Saturday, August 23, 2025 - 2359 UTC

HOW: This net will accept check-ins via BBS Bulletins only. Send a check-in via any participating BBS, with active forwarding, any time during the week.

This month, net control has asked participants to use the FLmsg Form ICS213.

Instructions for installing FLmsg here:

<https://www.tprfn.net/pktnet-instructions/august-pktnet-instructions-pt-1>

Instructions for sending and receiving the FLmsg ICS213 here:

<https://www.tprfn.net/pktnet-instructions/august-pktnet-instructions-pt-2>

Instructions for using QtTermTCP:

<https://www.tprfn.net/pktnet-instructions/install-using-qttermtcp>

The net will continue with taking check-ins via Packet, Winlink & APRS, each mode will count as one check-in each, and check-in format is shown below.

SB PKTNET@USA

Subject: Your Name, Your Call, Your Town, Your State

Message: (FLmsg ICS213 Form contents)

PKTNET INSTRUCTIONS:

For this months net we would ask you to check in using the FLmsg Form ICS213. See the complete instructions below include a full PDF with screenshots showing the total process.

It is important to understand how we can use resources from one digital platform with another. Process for sharing the FLmsg form is basically the same for sending as a Packet message or as a Winlink Message. We are encouraging you to check-in using both.

Message Format:

Address to: SB PKTNET@USA

Subject: Your Name, Your Call, Your Town, Your State

Message Text: Send an FLmgs ICS213 Form.

Address to: tpfrn@winlink.org

Subject: Your Name, Your Call, Your Town, Your State

Message: Send an FLmgs ICS213 Form.

We will also take APRS check-ins see format below:

Send Message To: ANSRVR

Message Text: CQ TPRFN your name, your town, your state.

You will receive credit for each mode used!

Thank You for your continued support of the PKTNET each month, it is very much appreciated.

All check-in will be mapped on the tprfn.net website at:

<https://www.qsomap.com/QSOMapProduction/qsomapforQRZ.php?call=n3meI>

Don't feel obligated to enter a detailed message if it's difficult; the important part is the Subject line!

The VDEN website (<http://vden.org>) includes information about the Central Virginia BBSes, how to send personal mail and bulletins, and methods for connecting over RF (Packet / Vara via Terminal / Winlink / Outpost).

Bulletins created on the N4VEM BBS will be forwarded over Vara FM to the KN4LQN BBS, which will then forward over Vara HF to the N3MEL BBS and the wider regional packet network.

Reach out if you have any questions!

73,

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