

## **Packet Bulletin Net - PKTNET@USA**

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[View net reminder bulletin from N3MEL](#)

WHO: All amateur radio operators

WHAT: Packet Bulletin Net - PKTNET@USA

WHEN: Sunday, December 14, 2025 - 0000 UTC

Saturday, December 20, 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 packet HTML Check-in form, available at:

[https://vden.org/pktnet/check\\_in.html](https://vden.org/pktnet/check_in.html)

The net will continue with taking check-ins via Packet, Winlink, APRS & VarAC, 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: (Form contents from the above link with comments)**

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PKTNET INSTRUCTIONS:

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TPRFN PKTNET ANNOUNCEMENT (DECEMBER)

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NET SCHEDULE:

- STARTS: Sunday, December 14th @ 00:00 UTC
- ENDS: Saturday, December 20th @ 23:59 UTC
- NOTE: Running one week earlier than usual due to the Holidays.

#### CHECK-IN REQUIREMENT & ENCOURAGEMENT:

- FORM: Use the Packet HTML form "Net Check-in":  
[https://vden.org/pktnet/check\\_in.html](https://vden.org/pktnet/check_in.html)
- SPECIAL REQUEST:  
If possible please use a TPRFN Hub station for your check-in
- COMMENT SECTION: Note which Hub station and band you used (or if you used a non-TPRFN station).
- HUB STATION LIST:  
<https://www.tprfn.net/tprfn-hub-station-profiles-pg-1-of-2>

#### LOCAL FORMS:

- Download the entire form suite to your PC here:  
<https://vden.org/pktnet/>

#### MAPPING:

- All check-ins will be mapped at:  
<https://www.qsomap.com/QSOmapProduction/qsomapforQRZ.php?call=n3mel>

#### RECRUITMENT:

- Interested in becoming a Hub Station? Contact us at:  
<https://www.tprfn.net/contact-us>

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#### CHECK-IN INSTRUCTIONS BY MODE:

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#### PACKET:

- Address Bulletin to: PKTNET@USA
- Subject: Your Name, Your Call, Your Town, Your State
- Message: Paste form data from the link above.

#### WINLINK:

- Address Bulletin to: TPRFN@WINLINK.ORG
- Subject: Your Name, Your Call, Your Town, Your State
- Message: Paste form data from the link above.

#### APRS:

- Send Message To: N3MEL-6
- Message Text: your name, your town, your state.

#### VarAC:

- Address VMail Email to: TPRFN@WINLINK.ORG
- Subject: //WL2k Your Name, Your Call, Your Town, Your State  
(You Must Use The //WL2K in the subject line)

- Message: Paste form data from the link above.
- Note: You can use any VarAC station that offers an Email Gateway.

Credit will be received for each mode used.

Happy Holiday's from the TPRFN Network!

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

<https://www.qsomap.com/QSOmapProduction/qsomapforQRZ.php?call=n3mel>

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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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