



MedCom Net: Breaking the Net

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How to Break into the Net

There are situations when you need to get the attention of the NECOS. The process for doing this is called breaking the net. Shorthand for breaking into on-going net communications. You may have traffic for another station in the net or urgent information for the NECOS or all stations. The process is simple.

- WAIT for a break in the flow of communications. For example, when one of the stations in communications ends their exchange with the proword OUT it is a clue that the current business has been concluded.
- The NECOS will generally wait a second or two before taking control of the net and making a Net I.D. or call for additional check-ins.
- This pause gives you the opportunity to list your traffic: "One PRIORITY for MERCY, (your callsign), OVER" or "Urgent bulletin for all stations, (your callsign), OVER".
- The NECOS will respond by calling "(your callsign) ROGER, OUT" if several stations have called or "(your callsign), call *receiving station*" and send your traffic, OUT"
- The receiving station will respond "This is (callsign), ready to copy, OVER"
- You would then transmit your message.
- If you have a message for all stations, NECOS would respond, "(your callsign) read your bulletin, OVER."
- You would read your bulletin, ending with the prowords OVER.
- If appropriate NECOS may ask if any stations have questions or may respond by saying "(NECOS callsign), ROGER, OUT"