

AERO Basic course

Association of Emergency Radio Organizations (AERO) is intended to be an umbrella organization, a common meeting place for representatives of any and all emergency services clubs or groups who provide radio communications during an emergency.

The first project for AERO was to create the Basic Net Procedures class.

The primary mission of the organization has been to teach AERO Basic to any and all who desire a minimum level of understanding of how emergency communications works. The idea is that if emergency communications volunteers have at least the AERO Basic training, any group making a mutual aid request will know the minimum skill level of the volunteers who respond. This is similar to the new FEMA requirements that all emergency scene volunteers must have certain minimum levels of training to be involved in emergency operations. [FEMA's Introduction to Incident Command course IS-100.a is a prerequisite for the course.](#)

AERO is not a club or a controlling organization of any sort. AERO is closer to being a voluntary standards group. It standardizes a means of communication between the various emergency services groups and clubs via the member-representatives. The concept is that member-representatives will communicate local training and drill events that are open to other groups or volunteers. In the event of an emergency, the [AERO e-mail reflector](#) can be a means of communicating a message to the maximum number of groups or volunteers. The AERO roster provides another communication option.

To summarize, the AERO basic Course is a course where basic communication is taught through:

1. Common Frequencies.
2. Common Staging Areas
3. Common Procedures
4. Common Training.
5. Cooperation

Please RSVP for courses by e-mailing Dan Peitso at NOPIY@arrl.net Your reservation will help the instructors plan for the course and knowing how many student booklets to print.

There are no costs involved but it would help if people would give a dollar or two to help with the cost of the booklet.

It is recommended people take this course every three years unless your group practices some sort a group activity using emergency type nets.