

STM Report

Wisconsin Section

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Sequence

FAQ #286 What follows what and why does it matter? To make your communications vest even more attractive, you might add some sparkling trim and. . . Oh! (familiar sound of hand striking forehead) An alert reader has just informed me that sequins aren't quite the same as "sequence." *Sequence* is the order of things – and it becomes very important in passing a formal message efficiently.

Whether you're using NTS, ICS-213, or another format in the message you're sending, it's helpful to the receiver to keep the parts in order. In the NTS preamble, that's number, precedence, handling instructions, station of origin, check, place of origin, time, and date. In ICS-213, the order is incident name, person it's going to, who it's from, (a message number and precedence if included), subject, time, date, and text. When elements of a message are sent in the proper sequence, the receiving operator knows what to expect. Especially under poor conditions, knowing what to listen for helps.

Think of a message as a contest exchange. If you know you're going to hear a number and section, it limits the possibilities and allows you to focus specifically on the exact figures and letters. You can predict more accurately within a range. So a sender starts the NTS preamble with the word "number" but then doesn't label the rest of the parts, but keeps their sequence. Then the remainder of the message follows the plan. That's the order of the day.

Even the text may have some order to it. For example, the text of your annual Field Day message to the SM or SEC would include the name of your group, your location, the number of participants, and the number of ARES/RACES members probably in that order.

Just as there's an order to a traffic net, a to-do list, or a construction project, there's an order to a formal message. Using the right sequence isn't really a tough, er, *order*. 73 – K9LGU/STM-WI

WISCONSIN SECTION P S H R SUMMARY MAY 2025

POSSIBLE POINTS >	40 nets	40 tfc	30 appt	5 /hr. sked event s	5 /hr. emrg event s	10ea bbs/ web pg	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	T
N9VC	40	40	30	285	0	20	415
AG9G	40	40	30	35	0	0	145
K9LGU	40	40	30	20	15	0	145
KC9FXE	40	28	20	35	10	10	143
WB9WKO	40	40	30	15	0	0	125
NX9K	40	40	20	0	0	0	100
KB9GO	40	40	10	0	0	0	90
KC9UC	40	40	10	0	0	0	90
N6NKO	28	28	20	0	0	0	76

WISCONSIN SECTION MONTHLY NET ACTIVITY

MAY 2025

NET	QNI CHEC K-INS	QTC TRAFFI C	QTR TIME	SSNS SESSIO NS	NM NET MANAGER
BWN	1077	1571	3253	31	K9LUK
BEN	279	244	404	31	NX9K
WSBN	425	185	645	31	AG9G
WSSN	140	46	336	30	KB9ROB
WIN/E	125	256	289	31	WB9ICH
WIN/L	167	74	290	31	W9RTP
WI ARES/RACES HF	49	14	94	4	WB9WKO
WI ARES/RACES VHF	34	0	67	1	KA9KJE
WI ARES/RACES DIGITAL	261	2986	5760	4	KD9USW
totals	2557	5376	11138	194	

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STATION ACTIVITY SUMMARY May 2025

STATION	ORIG	RCVD	SENT	DLVD	ATT	TOTAL
NX9K	601	127	821	9	9	1549 BPL
N9CK	0	356	356	0	0	712 BPL
KB9GO	0	415	188	1	0	604 BPL
WB9WKO	0	323	265	6	0	594 BPL
AG9G	0	295	149	0	0	444
N9VC	0	237	38	0	0	275
KC9UC	0	67	101	0	0	168
WJ9L	0	65	74	4	0	143
K9LGU	0	50	67	0	0	116
KB9ROB	1	49	7	7	3	67
KA9BAE	0	11	21	9	9	32
N6NKO	0	0	28	0	0	32
W9RTP	0	25	5	0	0	30
KC9FXE	0	7	14	6	1	28
WB9ICH	0	24	2	0	0	26
WB9NRK	0	10	0	10	0	20
W9RNA	0	6	3	7	1	17
KA9KJE	3	8	3	0	0	14