

# FSD-3

## Relief Emergency · Routine Messages Recommended Precedences

The letters ARL are inserted in the preamble in the check and in the text before spelled out numbers, which represent texts from this list. Note that some ARL texts include insertion of numerals. Example: NR 1 R W1AW ARL 5 NEWINGTON CONN. DEC 25 DONALD R. SMITH A A 164 EAST SIXTH AVE A A NORTH RIVER CITY MO A A PHONE 73-3968 B T ARL FIFTY ARL SIXTY ONE BT DIANA A R. For additional information about traffic handling, consult The ARRL Operating Manual, published by ARRL.

### Group One—For Possible “Relief Emergency” Use

ONE	Everyone safe here. Please don't worry.	THIRTEEN	Medical emergency situation exits here.
TWO	Coming home as soon as possible.	FOURTEEN	Situation here becoming critical. Losses and damage from ____ increasing.
THREE	Am in ____ hospital. Receiving excellent care and recovering fine.	FIFTEEN	Please advise your condition and what help is needed.
FOUR	Only slight property damage here. Do not be concerned about disaster reports.	SIXTEEN	Property damage very severe in this area.
FIVE	Am moving to new location. Send no further mail or communication. Will inform you of new address when relocated.	SEVENTEEN	REACT communications services also available. Establish REACT communication with ____ on channel ____.
SIX	Will contact you as soon as possible.	EIGHTEEN	Please contact me as soon as possible at ____.
SEVEN	Please reply by Amateur Radio through the amateur delivering this message. This is a free public service.	NINETEEN	Request health and welfare report on ____ . (State name, address and telephone number.)
EIGHT	Need additional ____ mobile or portable equipment for immediate emergency use.	TWENTY	Temporarily stranded. Will need some assistance. Please contact me at ____.
NINE	Additional ____ radio operators needed to assist with emergency at this location.	TWENTY ONE	Search and Rescue assistance is needed by local authorities here. Advise availability.
TEN	Please contact ____ . Advise to standby and provide further emergency information, instructions or assistance.	TWENTY TWO	Need accurate information on the extent and type of conditions now existing at your location. Please furnish this information and reply without delay.
ELEVEN	Establish Amateur Radio emergency communications with ____ on ____ MHz.	TWENTY THREE	Report at once the accessibility and best way to reach your location.
TWELVE	Anxious to hear from you. No word in some time. Please contact me as soon as possible.	TWENTY FOUR	Evacuation of residents from this area urgently needed. Advise plans for help.
		TWENTY FIVE	Furnish as soon as possible the weather conditions at your location.
		TWENTY SIX	Help and care for evacuation of sick and injured from this location needed at once.
		Emergency/priority messages originating from official sources must carry the signature of the originating official.	

## Group Two—Routine Messages

FORTY SIX	Greetings on your birthday and best wishes for many more to come.	*SIXTY	Wishing you the best of everything on _____.
FIFTY	Greetings by Amateur Radio.	SIXTY ONE	Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.
FIFTY ONE	Greetings by Amateur Radio. This message is sent as a free public service by ham radio operators at _____. Am having a wonderful time.	*SIXTY TWO	Greetings and best wishes to you for a pleasant _____ holiday season.
FIFTY TWO	Really enjoyed being with you. Looking forward to getting together again.	SIXTY THREE	Victory or defeat, our best wishes are with you. Hope you win.
FIFTY THREE	Received your _____. It's appreciated; many thanks.	SIXTY FOUR	Arrived safely at _____.
FIFTY FOUR	Many thanks for your good wishes.	SIXTY FIVE	Arriving _____ on _____. Please arrange to meet me there.
FIFTY FIVE	Good news is always welcome. Very delighted to hear about yours.	SIXTY SIX	DX QSLs are on hand for you at the _____ QSL Bureau. Send _____ self addressed envelopes.
FIFTY SIX	Congratulations on your _____, a most worthy and deserved achievement.	SIXTY SEVEN	Your message number _____ undeliverable because of _____. Please advise.
FIFTY SEVEN	Wish we could be together.	SIXTY EIGHT	Sorry to hear you are ill. Best wishes for a speedy recovery.
FIFTY EIGHT	Have a wonderful time. Let us know when you return.	SIXTY NINE	Welcome to the _____. We are glad to have you with us and hope you will enjoy the fun and fellowship of the organization.
FIFTY NINE	Congratulations on the new arrival. Hope mother and child are well.		* Can be used for all holidays.

## ARRL Recommended Precedences

Please observe the following ARRL provisions for PRECEDENCES in connection with written message traffic. These provisions are designed to increase the efficiency of our service both in normal times and in emergency.

**EMERGENCY**--Any message having life and death urgency to any person or group of persons, which is transmitted by Amateur Radio in the absence of regular commercial facilities. This includes official messages of welfare agencies during emergencies requesting supplies, materials or instructions vital to relief of stricken populace in emergency areas. During normal times, it will be *very* rare. On CW/RTTY, this designation will *always* be spelled out. When in doubt, do not use it.

**PRIORITY**--Use abbreviation P on CW/RTTY. This classification is for a) important messages having a specific time limit b) official messages not covered in the emergency category c) press dispatches and emergency-related traffic not of the *utmost* urgency d) notice of death or injury in a disaster area, personal or official.

**WELFARE**--This classification, abbreviated as W on CW/RTTY, refers to either an inquiry as to the health and welfare of an individual in the disaster area or an advisory from the disaster area that indicates all is well. Welfare traffic is handled only after all emergency and priority traffic is cleared. The Red Cross equivalent to an incoming Welfare message is DWI (Disaster Welfare Inquiry).

**ROUTINE**--Most traffic in normal times will bear this designation. In disaster situations, traffic labeled Routine (R on CW/RTTY) should be handled last, or not at all when circuits are busy with higher precedence traffic.

Note--the precedence always follows the message number. For example, a message number may be 207R on CW and "Two Zero Seven Routine" on phone.