

## The 2007 Scout Camp Calling Protocol (SCCP)

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1. Scout camps, and any interested ham-Scouters not at camp, are encouraged to get on the air at 1 PM, 7 PM, and 9 PM local time.
2. Calling times are from 5 minutes before to 5 minutes after the hour. The recognized call will be "**CQ SCOUT CAMPS.**"
3. Use the traditional Scout calling frequencies, listed below,  $\pm 10$  kHz, avoiding any nets. Where two frequencies are shown, the first frequency is preferred in the U.S. \*

| BAND      | PHONE               | CW         | PSK31         |
|-----------|---------------------|------------|---------------|
| 80 Meters | 3.690 / 3.940 LSB   | 3.570 MHz  | 3580.150 USB  |
| 40 Meters | 7.190 / 7.270 LSB** | 7.030 MHz  | 7080.150 USB  |
| 20 Meters | 14.290 USB***       | 14.060 MHz | 14070.150 USB |

4. The following table indicates which frequency a camp should call on at what time:

| Local Time                                | Phone      | CW        | PSK31         |
|---|------------|-----------|---------------|
| 12:55 PM to 1:00PM                        | 14.290 USB | 14.060 CW | 14070.150 USB |
| 1:00 PM to 1:05 PM                        | 7.190 LSB  | 7.030 CW  | 7080.150 USB  |
|   |            |           |               |
| 1:30 PDT, 2:30 MDT, 3:30 CDT,<br>4:30 EDT | 14.290 USB | ----      | ----          |
|   |            |           |               |
| 6:55 PM to 7:00 PM                        | 14.290 USB | 14.060 CW | 14070.150 USB |
| 7:00 PM to 7:05 PM                        | 7.190 LSB  | 7.030 CW  | 7080.150 USB  |
|   |            |           |               |
| 8:55 PM to 9:00 PM                        | 7.190 LSB  | 7.030 CW  | 7080.150 USB  |
| 9:00 PM to 9:05 PM                        | 3.690 LSB  | 3.570 CW  | 3580.150 USB  |

5. If a contact is made on the first five minute frequency, just continue it there if both parties wish.

6. Scout camps, Scouts and Scouters are encouraged to monitor these frequencies for ten minutes each hour from 1655 UTC to 2005 UTC and from 2255 UTC to 0405 UTC to support Scout camps with traffic handling and talking with Scouts. The bold face times in the following table indicate when camps in your time zone might be most active. Note that many camps have reduced activities on weekends with troops moving in and out, so weekdays will often be more productive.

| UTC         | EDT             | CDT             | MDT             | PDT             |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1655<br>UTC | <b>12:55 PM</b> | 11:55 AM        | 10:55 AM        | 9:55AM          |
| 1755<br>UTC | 1:55 PM         | <b>12:55 PM</b> | 11:55 AM        | 10:55 AM        |
| 1855<br>UTC | 2:55 PM         | 1:55 PM         | <b>12:55 PM</b> | 11:55 AM        |
| 1955<br>UTC | 3:55 PM         | 2:55 PM         | 1:55 PM         | <b>12:55 PM</b> |
|             |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| 2030<br>UTC | <b>4:30 PM</b>  | <b>3:30 PM</b>  | <b>2:30 PM</b>  | <b>1:30 PM</b>  |
|             |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| 2255<br>UTC | <b>6:55 PM</b>  | 5:55 PM         | 4:55 PM         | 3:55 PM         |
| 2355<br>UTC | 7:55 PM         | <b>6:55 PM</b>  | 5:55 PM         | 4:55 PM         |
| 0055<br>UTC | <b>8:55 PM</b>  | 7:55 PM         | <b>6:55 PM</b>  | 5:55 PM         |
| 0155<br>UTC | 9:55 PM         | <b>8:55 PM</b>  | 7:55 PM         | <b>6:55 PM</b>  |
| 0255<br>UTC | 10:55 PM        | 9:55 PM         | <b>8:55 PM</b>  | 7:55 PM         |
| 0355<br>UTC | 11:55 PM        | 10:55 PM        | 9:55 PM         | <b>8:55 PM</b>  |

7. Scouts, Scouters, Scout camps and interested parties should join the Daily Gathering of Scouts (DGOS) at 2030 UTC (4:30 EDT, 3:30 CDT, 2:30 MDT, 1:30 PDT) on or about 14290 kHz to make contact and move to a clear frequency or make a sked. This will be an informal Net. The first station to ID on frequency should assume the role of Net Control. This will be helpful to facilitate communications, announcements, etc. This is also helpful for training of Net Control Stations.

8. Bob Bruninga, WB4APR, developer of Automatic Position Reporting System (APRS) and an avid ham-Scouter, suggests the following for Scout camps and ham-Scouters equipped with APRS.
  - 8.1. If your camp has APRS, send a message to SCOUTS at the beginning and end of your operating periods. An APRS message to SCOUTS will be retransmitted everywhere that SCOUTS has been added to the automatic "pass-to-RF" at the local IGate.
  - 8.2. Contact the local IGate that serves your camp area and ask the SYSOP to include "SCOUTS" in its automatic "pass-to-RF" list. This way, you can receive, in real time, any other SCOUTS messages in the world alerting you of other stations on the air.
  - 8.3. Make sure that your station is using the APRS symbol for Scouts. That way, any other station in the world can check the [APRS FINDU Web page](#) and see which other SCOUT stations are currently on the air.

\*Frequencies are the revised WOSM Scout frequencies that go into effect on July 1, 2007. The SCCP will use them starting in June to avoid the confusion of a mid-summer frequency change. Additional information can be found on the [Scouts Web site](#).

\*\*7.270 MHz might be unusable in the evening and night hours due to Asian broadcast stations. Tune up or down to find an opening.

\*\*\*Avoid 14.300, since the Maritime Mobile Service Net and the Intercontinental Traffic Net use this frequency