



# **HAMNET**

**Amateur Radio Emergency Service  
of the  
SA Radio League**

## **Welcome!**

As a member of Ham net KwaZulu Natal you have accepted one of the most exciting yet rewarding roles in emergency communications if not in amateur radio.

With these training modules, it is intended to help you acquire, develop and refine your skills which you need to function effectively in serving the public through amateur radio communications.

It takes a special person, a radio amateur with a strong desire to serve the community, to volunteer to be a member of Hamnet.

The following training modules present many examples to aid you in getting the job done properly.

Your role in Hamnet is important to you, the agency you serve and to your community.

Your dedication to your responsibilities today or tomorrow may indeed determine the safety of your neighbours tomorrow or in the future.

## **Purpose**

The purpose of these training modules are straightforward. In addition to guidelines and procedures these modules are meant to make you a better amateur radio operator and to better serve the public. The final results depend upon you.

Obviously these sessions cannot anticipate every emergency that you may encounter, But every attempt has been made to provide you with the knowhow you may need to perform appropriately. Amateur radio public service efforts must continue to grow both in quality and quantity.

To achieve this, knowledge and experience must be shared for the benefit of all. These training modules are an important step in sharing that knowledge.

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## HAMNET MODULE TRAINING

Welcome to the Hamnet module training programme.

This programme has been developed for the benefit of Hamnet members for the following reasons.

- a) to help members set their goals and to identify what is required of them in each module.
- b) provide a record of the areas of interest and the levels of training experience available to the Provincial Director
- c) to assist Hamnet in achieving the highest standards for its clients and to help achieve the Hamnet Statement, "To be the preferred provider of Emergency Communications to the Department of Transport and the different Disaster Management offices in KwaZulu Natal."
- d) To standardize as far as possible, the training procedures and record keeping throughout this Province and the rest of the country.

The training programme has an open book examination. Modules may be completed at your own pace.

There are at the moment +- 27 modules which some of them are only one page.

A training record sheet for each member will be held by the Training Officer and the Provincial Director and will be kept as a record of modules completed.

A copy of the training record sheet will be handed to the member on completion of the modules training sessions.

A copy of the training summary will be forwarded to the National Director as well as the Disaster Manager.