

## ARRL Iowa Section ARES Code of Conduct



American Radio Relay League Iowa Section Amateur Radio Emergency Service members are the personification of amateur radio to the public and to our governmental and quasi-governmental agencies whom we serve.

As such, we have elected to publish guidelines under which we expect ARES registered volunteers will operate. Although these are not conditions for participation, we strongly encourage each ARES member to abide by these standards.

- ◆ ARES members will conduct themselves with respect and courtesy to those whom we serve. We will be listeners and communicators.
- ◆ ARES members will not act as or be perceived as agents or employees of the agencies whom we serve. We are a serving agency and have no authority to act on behalf of the agency.
- ◆ ARES members will not use profanity, vulgar language or language or expressions which may be considered derogatory when in public.
- ◆ ARES members will not park in restricted areas, unless specifically authorized or invited to do so by the agencies we serve.
- ◆ ARES members will not use flashing lights while vehicles are underway. Use of flashing yellow lights is permitted only when vehicles are stationary for the purposes of collision avoidance. If in doubt, please inquire with Net Control and they will request clarification from the Emergency Operation Center.
- ◆ ARES members will not solicit contributions or gifts, merchandise or services from any individuals or businesses while using the name of local EOC or the phrase Emergency Services. All solicitations using the name of Amateur Radio Emergency Services or associated, related names must be approved in writing by those associated agencies, in advance. No ARES member (including ARES leadership) is authorized to use the name of the agencies without their prior written permission.
- ◆ ARES members will not use the logos or identifying marks of the agencies that we serve without prior approval in writing by those agencies.
- ◆ All prospective ARES members must be able to pass their respective County EOC credentialing requirements. These requirements are not negotiable.