

Central Mississippi Amateur Radio Emergency Service

Membership Application

Name:	Call Sign:	License Class:	
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip	County:
Cell Phone:	Other Phone:		
Email Address:			
Licensed since:	ARRL Member? Yes / No	ARRL #	

Please read before signing

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) is part of the field organization of the Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL), the national association for amateur radio.

The primary activity of ARES is to provide emergency communications during disasters or significant events such as severe weather, power failures, and large area events.

Membership in ARRL or any other local or national organization is not required to join ARES or participate in ARES activities; however, ARRL membership is required for leadership appointments.

Central MS Amateur Radio Emergency Service (CMSARES) is a part of the Central MS Amateur Radio Association (CMSARA); therefore, membership in CMSARA is highly encouraged. You do not have to be a licensed amateur to attend meetings of CMSARA; however, only licensed amateurs are eligible for membership in ARES. Applications for CMSARA are available at centralmsham.club. Applications for CMSARES may be submitted to any EC at meetings or by email to training@msares.com

Applications for CMSARES with false or misleading statements will be rejected for consideration. All Amateur radio licenses will be verified.

CMSARES meets the second Tuesday of each month at 601 Marquette Rd in Brandon, MS following the 7pm meeting of CMSARA. Each meeting includes a presentation relevant to ARES as well as a question/answer session and an opportunity for mentoring.

There are three levels at which members may participate in ARES. Participants interested in advancing to a higher level must complete the requirements listed in the ARES Plan.

Level 1--This is the primary level for those new to emergency communications and those who are interested in a non-leadership position. Many members at this level possess vast amounts of knowledge, skills, and abilities and serve with distinction. Members at level 1 serve in numerous capacities including performing as Net Control stations from home or remote locations.

Level 2-- To qualify for this level, participants shall have completed the following courses: ARRL's EC-001 *Introduction to Amateur Radio Emergency Communications*, (a free program) and FEMA IS-100c, IS-200c, IS-700 and IS-800c. These courses are available as part of the Independent Study Program at <https://training.fema.gov/is/crslist.aspx>

Level 3—This level prepares ARES participants for advancement to leadership positions such as EC, ADEC, DEC, ASEC, and SEC and requires additional training as outlined in the ARES Plan.

Expectations of All members:

- Download and become familiar with the following:

- GroupMe phone app
- ARES Manual
- ARRL ARES Plan
- ARES Field Resource Manual
- ARRL ARES Training Task Book
- MSARES Training Quick Check List
- (All are available at msares.com)

- Immediately notify the EC-Operations and EC-Training of any changes to Call Sign, License Class, address, and contact information or name change due to marriage.
- Regularly participate in drills, training, exercises, and meetings and respond in a timely manner to all texts, calls, Standby Notifications and Activations and abide by all rules and regulations of the FCC, ARRL, and Central Mississippi ARES.

Drills, training, exercises, and instruction are conducted to ensure readiness to respond quickly in providing effective amateur emergency communication when the need arises. More information can be found at msares.com.

By submitting this application, I certify that the information I have provided is true and correct and I agree to abide by all requirements for membership in Central MS Amateur Radio Emergency Service.

Name: _____ Signature: _____
Please print

Date: _____