

NET CONTROL SCRIPT (revised 12-11-20)

SHILSHOLE BAY NEIGHBORHOOD VESSEL MUTUAL ASSISTANCE MARINE VHF NET

Mondays, 8:00PM VHF Ch 71

Items in italics are instructions for Net Control and are not intended to be read over the air. Items in brackets e.g. [text] indicate information to be supplied by the specific Net Control. You should be broadcasting on 25w/high power so that you can be heard throughout the marina. Check-ins should be using 1 watt/low power.

Good Evening and welcome to the Shilshole Bay Neighborhood and Vessel Mutual Assistance Net. Also known as the V-Man Net.

This is [Vessel Name], my name is [Name]. I'm Net Control for this session of the Net. I'm located at slip [Slip #]. At this time, is there any Priority/Emergency traffic for the Net? *Take a Break and listen.*

This is a directed Net, so please go through Net Control to contact other stations. This net meets every Monday evening at 8 PM local time on Marine VHF Channel 71. All vessels in Shilshole Bay Marina are welcome to check in, and, in fact, are urged to do so.

The purpose of this Net is to practice vessel-to-vessel communications in times of marina-wide emergencies, and to test our radios for clear communications. This is also a social net and we would like to hear from you.

If there is an immediate emergency, please call 911. If you notice anything out of the ordinary in the marina, please contact the Shilshole Bay Marina office on marine VHF channel 17, or call 206-601-4089. Emergency numbers are also posted at the gates.

I will be giving radio quality assessment with the Charlie Mike (or Circuit Merit) system. CM5 is broadcast quality, CM1 is unintelligible, signal barely evident, CM0 is No audio signal received. If you would like to hear more about the Circuit Merit system, contact Net Control at the end of this session.

For news and events in the marina, please check out the website at ShilsholeCommunity.org, also called the Shilshole Blog.

We will now have check-ins, starting with Dock Captains. Please give your slip #, your name, vessel name, and if you have any announcements. These may be events, favorite anchorages, safety tips, comments, items you wish to buy, sell or trade with others in the marina, or anything you would like to share with the net. Net Control will call for announcements after check-in's.

A-dock Captain, please check in now. *Log and acknowledge each check-in as they occur.* B-dock captain, please check in now, etc...

We will now have check-in's by marina sections and I will be using the phonetic alphabet when calling for dock groups.

- Vessels on Docks A thru E: that is Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, Delta, Echo docks, please check in now.

Log and acknowledge each check-in as they occur.

- Vessels on docks F thru J: Foxtrot, Golf, Hotel, India, Juliet, please check in now
- Vessels on docks K thru O: Kilo, Lima, Mike, November, Oscar, please check in now
- Vessels on docks P thru V: Papa, Quebec, Romeo, Sierra, Tango, Uniform, Victor, please check in now
- Just to let you know, the last four letters of the phonetic alphabet are Whiskey, Xray, Yankee, and Zulu
- Any missed vessels not previously checked in, please check in now
- Port of Seattle, please check in.
- Are there any questions for the Port of Seattle? *As important comments are made, repeat the main points, as the south-end sometimes can't hear the north-end boats and vice versa.*
- Port of Seattle Police, please check in
- Are there any questions for the Port of Seattle Police?

That concludes our check-in's.

I will now call for announcements. I have [vessel name] with an announcement. Please come now. *Repeat as necessary. As questions or important comments are made, repeat the main points, for the boats at the far ends of the marina.*

Does the Liveaboard Association have any announcements?

Are there any other announcements or marina concerns anyone wants to share?

Do trivia question and call for answers.

If there is nothing else, we'll close this Net session. The Shilshole Bay Neighborhood Vessel Mutual Assistance Net wishes to thank all stations that checked in tonight.

I am closing the Net at [Time]. We had approximately [X number] check-in's tonight.

We hope to hear you next Monday at 8 PM local time during our next V-MAN Net.

This is [Vessel] standing by.

Optional – After Net, Training Topic/discussion can be inserted after the Net closes.

Example: Give explanation of CM (circuit merit) for any interested vessels.