

GMRS Radio Cheat Sheet (example)

My Call Sign: “This is WSHA996 (Whiskey Sierra Hotel Alpha - niner-8-6)”

My Tactical Call Sign: Zone 2 Lead or Zone 2 Bravo (NC)

Calling a station directly: “WZZZ123, this is WSHA996”

Not calling a station directly: “This is WSHA996 monitoring”

Signal: “Your signal is strong/good/some static/weak”

Traffic Messages: 1. Emergency (life threatening); 2. Priority; 3. Routine (no action needed)

BREAK: (ER traffic) - “Break”, (*Response* - “Go Break”) - “This is Zone 2 Lead” (& situation)

CONFIRM- Do I have this correct?

GOOD COPY – Yes, message received accurately - “Roger, good copy”

OVER- I’m done speaking and I’m standing by for a reply (“Zone 2 Bravo OVER”)

I SPELL (letters) – “My name is Kathy, I SPELL Kilo, Alpha, Tango, Hotel, Yankee”

FIGURES (numbers) – “The zip code is: FIGURES niner – 8– tree – zero – tree”

MIXED GROUP (letters & numbers) – “This is Zone 5 lead; Prepare to copy address OVER (*Go ahead*) MIXED GROUP 1 – 1 - fife – niner – tree Bay Road, I SPELL Bravo-Alpha-Yankee Road”
Confirm?”

CLEAR - I’m leaving the frequency or turning off my radio (“Zone 2 Lead CLEAR”)

SPOT Report: Used to report an event or situation

Situation: What happened in a few words? (tree across road, power outage, structural collapse)

Position: Where? Give location

Observation: More details about situation (e.g. blocking traffic to EOC)

Threatened: Number and seriousness of injuries or “No injuries reported”

International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Phonetic Alphabet

A - Alpha

B - Bravo

C - Charlie

D - Delta

E - Echo

F - Foxtrot

G - Golf

H - Hotel

I - India

J - Juliet

K - Kilo

L - Lima

M - Mike

N - November

O - Oscar

P - Papa

R - Romeo

Q - Quebec

S - Sierra

T - Tango

U - Uniform

V - Victor

W - Whiskey

X - X-ray

Y - Yankee

Z - Zulu