

TAB 11  
Washington State SECC  
RMT Schedule and Procedures

Updated 8/31/18

- A. It is the responsibility of the area LECC Chair to provide input regarding the local area schedule to the SECC Test Coordinator as the Coordinator compiles the annual statewide Required Monthly Test (RMT) schedule.

In addition, the LECC Chair must coordinate with and ensure that originators in his/her area are aware of the schedule and remind them when an RMT is upcoming. NOTE: The required RMT duration is 3 hours. Originators should verify that their templates and ENDEC settings are correct.

- B. If an RMT fails and the originator is quickly able to correct the problem, the originator may resend the RMT, but only up to 15 minutes later than the scheduled time. After the 15-minute period, the RMT is considered to have failed and will not be resent.

In the event of a failed RMT (as described above), the originator will determine the cause of failure and post an explanation of the failure on the EAS remailer (eas-wa@sbe16.org) so that broadcasters can properly note the reason for the failure in their station logs.

- C. In the event a Local Area agency is unable to originate a scheduled RMT, the affected agency will contact the Washington State Emergency Operations Center (1-800-258-5990) at least 3 business days in advance and specify the necessary language (e.g., English, Spanish, etc.), the exact wording of the message, and FIPS codes needed to originate the RMT on the agency's behalf. If possible, the Local Area Agency will also supply a recorded .MP3 audio message to be used by the State EOC. The Local Area Agency may also request that the State EOC use its own recorded audio message. The State EOC will confirm language, message wording, and FIPS codes with the agency prior to originating the substitute RMT. LECC chairs may also contact the State EOC to request this assistance. The State EOC will confirm language and FIPS codes with the agency prior to originating the substitute RMT.

LECC chairs may also contact the State EOC to request assistance in generating the substitute RMT and to verify with the State EOC that the substitute RMT has been scheduled.

- D. Agencies are expected to occasionally use their legacy analog EAS equipment to originate scheduled RMTs, and to train operators in its operation by transmitting DMOs (Practice/Demo Warnings) or RWTs (Required Weekly Tests).

- E. This Tab will be updated annually.

Washington State EOC contact info:

- Alert & Warning Center (24-hr): 1-800-258-5990
- Alert & Warning Center Supervisor (Mo-Fr): 253-512-7027

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# WASHINGTON STATE 2019 RMT SCHEDULE

Approved by SECC 9.11.18

	D	N	D	N	D	N	D	N	N <sup>2</sup>	D <sup>2</sup>	D	N
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY (1)	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP (2)	OCT (3)	NOV	DEC
CENTRAL PUGET SOUND	Fr 2:20 PM	STATE DEM Monday, February 4, 7:25 AM	Mo 12:30 PM	STATE DEM Saturday, April 13, 8:00 AM	Tu 10:00 AM	Tu 8:20 AM	STATE DEM Friday, July 12, 10:50 AM	Mo 7:55 AM	We 8:20 AM	NWS Thursday, October 17, 10:17 AM	We 8:35 AM	Sa 4:50 PM
Phil Johnson (206) 930-9369	11 NORCOM		4 Kitsap Co. DEM		7 Pierce Co. DEM	4 Snohomish Co. 911		5 Island Co. DEM	4 Snohomish Co. DEM		6 Jefferson Co. DEM	7 King Co. DEM
CLALLAM COUNTY	Fr 9:45 AM		Sa 1:00 PM		Th 1:00 PM	We 7:10 AM		Th 6:50 AM	Th 8:45 PM		Sa 2:10 PM	Mo 6:20 PM
Todd Orloff (360) 457-1450	11 Clallam		9 Clallam		9 Clallam	5 Clallam		8 Clallam	5 Clallam		9 Clallam	2 Clallam
COASTAL	We 2:50 PM		We 10:50 AM		Th 10:15 AM	Tu 9:50 PM		Mo 8:15 PM	Sa 8:45 PM		Mo 2:45 PM	We 8:50 PM
Pat Anderson (360) 533-1320	9 Pacific County		6 Grays Harbor County		9 Pacific County	4 Grays Harbor County		5 Grays Harbor County	7 Pacific County		4 Pacific County	4 Grays Harbor County
COLUMBIA BASIN	Tu 12:50 PM		Th 4:25 PM		Fr 11:15 AM	Th 8:15 AM		Th 8:10 AM	We 7:30 PM		Tu 10:25 AM	We 4:25 PM
Sean Davis (509) 546-5846	8 FCEM		7 BCEM		10 WWEM	6 BCEM		8 FCEM	4 BCEM		5 WWEM	4 FCEM
COWLITZ/WAKIAKUM	Mo 8:30 AM		Tu 2:30 PM		Th 9:00 AM	Mo 7:10 AM		We 8:10 AM	Tu 7:30 AM		Fr 1:00 PM	Mo 4:45 PM
Beau Renfro (360) 957-3724	7 Cowlitz DEM		5 Wakiakum County		9 Cowlitz DEM	3 Wakiakum County		7 Cowlitz DEM	3 Wakiakum County		8 Cowlitz DEM	2 Wakiakum County
INLAND NORTHWEST	We 10:00 AM		Fr 11:45 AM		Tu 2:00 PM	Fr 6:30 AM		We 6:50 AM	Th 9:50 PM		Mo 10:55 AM	Tu 8:20 AM
Simone Ramel-McKay (509) 477-3006	9 Spokane Co. Dispatch		8 Spokane Co. Dispatch		7 NWS	7 Spokane Co. Dispatch		7 Spokane Co. Dispatch	5 Idaho CAC		4 Spokane Co. Dispatch	3 NWS
KITTITAS COUNTY	Sa 11:00 AM	STATE DEM Monday, February 4, 7:25 AM	Tu 1:00 PM	STATE DEM Saturday, April 13, 8:00 AM	Fr 1:00 PM	Fr 8:20 AM	STATE DEM Friday, July 12, 10:50 AM	Mo 6:50 AM	Tu 8:45 PM	NWS Thursday, October 17, 10:17 AM	Tu 2:10 PM	We 7:50 AM
Bob Johnson (509) 925-8537	12 KITTCOM		5 KITTCOM		10 KITTCOM	7 KITTCOM		5 KXLE	3 KITTCOM		5 KXLE	4 KITTCOM
LEWIS COUNTY	Tu 2:50 PM		Fr 1:50 PM		Mo 3:05 PM	Sa 8:20 AM		Fr 8:10 AM	Mo 7:50 AM		We 10:25 AM	Tu 7:10 AM
Steve Mansfield (360) 740-1151	8 LC E-911		8 LC E-911		6 LC E-911	8 LC E-911		9 LC E-911	2 LC E-911		6 LC E-911	3 LC E-911
MASON/THURSTON	Th 2:40 PM		We 1:40 PM		Tu 11:20 AM	Mo 8:20 AM		Sa 6:50 AM	Th 7:20 AM		Sa 10:25 AM	Th 7:40 PM
John Price (206) 940-3600	10 Mason County EOC		6 Thurston County		7 Mason County EOC	3 Thurston County		10 Thurston County	5 Mason County EOC		9 Thurston County	5 Mason County EOC
NORTH CENTRAL	Th 11:00 AM		Mo 1:50 PM		Sa 10:00 AM	Tu 7:10 AM		Sa 8:10 AM	Fr 7:50 AM		Tu 9:15 AM	Th 4:50 PM
Misty Viebrock (509) 630-0639	10 Rivercom Dispatch		4 Grant County		11 Rivercom Dispatch	4 Grant County		10 Rivercom Dispatch	6 Grant County		5 Rivercom Dispatch	5 Grant County
NORTH PUGET SOUND	Sa 2:50 PM		Th 12:05 PM		Mo 1:00 PM	We 8:20 AM		Tu 8:10 AM	We 6:50 AM		Th 10:45 AM	Fr 7:20 PM
Jeannie Gilbert (360) 303-2807	12 Whatcom EOC		7 San Juan EOC		6 Skagit EOC	5 Whatcom EOC		6 San Juan EOC	4 Skagit EOC		7 Whatcom EOC	6 San Juan EOC
OKANOGAN	Mo 9:45 AM		Th 2:00 PM		We 10:00 AM	Sa 7:10 AM		Tu 6:50 AM	Mo 8:45 PM		Fr 10:25 AM	Sa 7:20 AM
John Andrist (509) 826-0300	7 Okanogan EOC		7 Okanogan EOC		8 Okanogan EOC	8 Okanogan EOC		6 Okanogan EOC	2 Okanogan EOC		8 Okanogan EOC	7 Okanogan EOC
YAKIMA VALLEY	Tu 10:00 AM	STATE DEM Monday, February 4, 7:25 AM	Sa 1:50 PM	STATE DEM Saturday, April 13, 8:00 AM	Fr 10:00 AM	Mo 9:50 PM	STATE DEM Friday, July 12, 10:50 AM	Fr 6:50 AM	Sa 7:50 AM	NWS Thursday, October 17, 10:17 AM	Th 2:10 PM	Fr 7:20 AM
Stacey Garcia (509) 575-6058	8 YAKIMA VALLEY 911		9 Yakima Valley 911		10 Yakima Valley 911	3 Yakima Valley 911		9 Yakima Valley 911	7 Yakima Valley 911		7 Yakima Valley 911	6 Yakima Valley 911

COLUMBIA GORGE

Columbia Gorge follows the Oregon State RMT test schedule (see [www.sbe124.org](http://www.sbe124.org)).

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<sup>1</sup> The May RMT will be part of Pierce County's annual lahar test. (1st Tuesday of the month, 10 AM, Central Puget Sound area.)

<sup>2</sup> The day-night order for September and October is reversed so the October test can run as part of the Great Shakeout.

<sup>3</sup> The October test will be part of the Great Shakeout earthquake preparedness drill.

- \* Nighttime tests: Local sunset to 8:30 AM / Daytime tests: 8:30 AM to local sunset
- \* Exact times are shown. This will help traffic, programming, and operations departments prepare for the incoming tests.
- \* This schedule deviates from the originator schedule in the state plan so that local areas are not responsible for all nighttime tests.
- \* Broadcast stations and cable systems have 1 hour to forward an RMT after receiving it.
- \* Nighttime tests are not scheduled in the middle of the night in consideration of ...
  - people with weather radios (so they will not be disturbed by their radios being activated by an RMT).
  - people who are alerted by the NWS tone alert system.
- \* The October test, which is part of the Great Shakeout earthquake preparedness drill, is scheduled on the third Thursday of the month at the date time (10/17/2013 = 10:17 AM).
- \* No tests scheduled at 11AM on Tuesdays due to the regular EMD weekly test.
- \* No tests scheduled at Noon on Wednesdays due to the regular NWS weekly test.
- \* No tests scheduled on Sundays to eliminate the problems caused by broadcaster's weeks starting on different days.
- \* Columbia Gorge schedule determined by the Oregon RMT schedule
- \* Inland Northwest, North Central, Okanogan prefer to test on different days