

Appendix A – Glossary of Terms

ADEC- Assistant District Emergency Coordinator
AEC - Assistant Emergency Coordinator, also under NIMS may refer to Auxiliary
Emergency Communicator (see AUXCOMM)
Appointees - Members of the ARRL who hold official Field appointments
ARC – American Red Cross
ARES - Amateur Radio Emergency Service
ARRL - American Radio Relay League
ASEC – Assistant Section Emergency Coordinator
AUXCOMM – Auxiliary Communications. A recent designation for volunteer
emergency communicators used by DHS as part of NIMS
CB – Citizens Band
COMM-L - Communications Unit Leader under NIMS
COMM-T – Communications Unit Technician under NIMS
COMM-U – Communications Unit under NIMS
DEC – District Emergency Coordinator
DHS - Department of Homeland Security
EC - Emergency Coordinator
EMA- Emergency Management Agency
EOC - Emergency Operations Center
FCC - Federal Communications Commission
FEMA - Federal Emergency Management Agency
FRS – Family Radio Service
GMRS – General Mobile Radio Service
HAZMAT - Hazardous Materials
IC - Incident Commander
ICS - Incident Command System
LEPC - Local Emergency Planning Commission
MARS – Military Auxiliary Radio System
MCI - Mass Casualty Incident
NCS - Net Control Station
NDMS - National Disaster Medical Service
NIMS – National Incident Management System
NOAA - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NTS - National Traffic System
NYSOEM – New York State Office of Emergency Management
NWS – National Weather Service
OES - Official Emergency Station
PC - Personal Computer
RACES - Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service
REACT - Radio Emergency Associated Communication Teams

SEC – Section Emergency Coordinator
SET - Simulated Emergency Test
SKYWARN- Weather spotter program of the NWS
SM – Section Manager
STM – Section Traffic Manager