

# Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES®) Garland, Texas



#### **Policies**

#### **Identification of Garland, Texas RACES Appointees**

City of Garland issued ID cards will be issued to Garland RACES appointees. These cards remain City of Garland property and must be surrendered when the appointee leaves the Garland RACES program for any reason.

#### **Flashing Lights**

No member of Garland RACES shall use a flashing light of any kind or color on a vehicle while in motion. The use of vehicle hazard lights, an amber or white temporary flashing light is acceptable while parked and used as a caution to other motorists. In no case shall a red or blue flashing light be used. Failure to comply with this policy can result in revocation of Garland RACES appointment.

#### **Hard Hats**

A hard hat is recommended for each RACES appointee. The Hard Hat should be white in color with ratchet headband adjustment and should meet ANSI-Z89.1-2003 Type 1 Class E. The RACES Appointee's call sign should be affixed in 1" black letters and numbers on the front and first name on the back. No other decals or lettering should be added.

## **Window Decals (Optional)**

The RACES decal should be affixed to the lower right corner of the windshield as viewed from the interior. There should only be one RACES decal on a vehicle. If SkyWarn spotter, a SkyWarn decal may be placed on the vehicle rear window at the lower left hand corner facing the window. The SkyWarn decal should not contain the word or phrase "Certified." (A RACES or SkyWarn decal is not required on a vehicle)

### **OEM provided Shirts**

OEM will provide each Garland RACES appointee with a red polo shirt with the Garland RACES patch attached. These shirts are to be worn appropriately and proudly, signifying one as an appointee of Garland RACES. One additional patch will be provided to use with a similar Navy Blue or Black polo shirt obtained at the appointee's expense. The addition of name and call sign embroidery to any shirt will be at the appointee's expense. These shirts are issued only after the appointee meets noted requirements and demonstrates a commitment to Garland RACES.

Requirements are as follows;

- Completion of NIMS/FEMA courses ICS 100, 200 and 700
- Having been an appointee in good standing for a minimum of 6 months from date of appointment
- Equipped oneself with equipment needed to participate with Garland RACES
- Participated in a minimum of 7 weekly nets during the initial 6 months
- Completed at least one public service event approved by Garland RACES

Note: Embroidered name and call sign shall be Arial font, white in color, between 3/8" to 1/2" high, centered on right chest.