

## **SC4ARES Membership Requirements/Effective 2/1/2012**

### **Basic ARES Member:**

- Valid Amateur Radio License of Technician or higher
- Desire to serve
- Register with local ARES EC
- Pass free online course FEMA IS-100 Introduction to ICS - or - CERT trained
- Participate in local ARES Nets
- Participate as the Net Control Station for the local ARES Net and/or participate in actual local ARES events and/or exercises at least once annually
- Develop and maintain an Emergency Communications “Go Bag/ Kit” for up to 8 hours operation (refer to ‘yellow book’ for guidelines)
- Demonstrate proficiency/programming skills with operating your radio (keep operator hand book in “go bag”)
- Make effort to improve communications capability and skills (review FEMA IS-100 Introduction to ICS, annually)

### **Advanced ARES Member - Includes All of Basic**

- Pass free online course FEMA IS-200 ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents
- Pass free online course FEMA IS-700 National Incident Management System (NIMS)
- Pass free online course FEMA IS-800 ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents (National Response)
- Develop and maintain Emergency Communications “Go Bag/Kit” for a minimum of 12 hours operation
- Be able to set up VHF/UHF/HF communications field station/IC
- Be able to form and operate a local net
- Be able to rig a battery power supply
- Be able to erect a temporary antenna
- Be able to diagnose faults with frequencies and/or signal and adapt an alternative communications plan accordingly
- Be experienced with ICS check-in form 211, ICS Radio Communications Plan 205-OS, ICS 309 (Message Log) and the ARRL Radiogram
- Must be able to operate independently until additional resources are available