



# 2025 Annual Activities Calendar

Jan. 2025

Marion County Emergency Radio Team

| January   | February   | March   | April  | May   | June  |
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| 7 <sup>th</sup> - VHF & HF Propagation Chart Review         | <b>SHREK Kit Audits</b>  | Why MERT has Wkly Nets?                             | 2 <sup>nd</sup> - 5 MERT req'd for CERT Exercise   | <b>SHREK Exercises - Active Radio Practices</b>   | Hurricane Season  |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> - MERT ID Badge Information Update          | WINLINK Message Day  | NVIS Antenna & HF Contacts Exercise                 | WINLINK Message Day  | Personal GO KIT Basics Class                      | <b>EOC Radio Room &amp; Tower Training</b>                          |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> - Why MERT has Wkly Nets?                  | Marion Co & NFL Winlink Digipeater/Gateway Review                                  | MCC RF Exposure Analysis Review                     | MERT EOC Tower Lowering Procedures & Inspection Class                                      | ICS-213 Message Practice                          | ICS-213 Message Practice  |
| <b>18<sup>th</sup> – MERT Annual Meeting</b>                |  |   | MERT Interoperability Vision Statement   | <b>RED BOOK - IC Guide Review</b>                 | Where are ICS Fillable Forms?                                       |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> - EOC Security Procedures Review           | Need Volunteers for Marion County Days in March                                    |   | 2025 Solar Peak Year & HF Impacts  | <b>SHREK Kit Manual Review</b>                    | ICS-214 and ICS-309 Form Practice                                   |
| 22 <sup>nd</sup> – What is and why is <b>ICS</b> important? | Training Skill Book Classes  |   | Training Skill Book Classes  |   | Training Skill Book Classes   |
| Shelter Audits Planning Committee                           | Shelter Audits Planning Committee  |   |  |   |   |
| SOG Update Committee  | SOG Updates Due  | SOG Updates sent to DEM                             |  |   | Understanding <b>SHARES</b>   |
| MERT 20 Planning Committee                                  | MERT 20 Planning Committee   | MERT 20 Planning Committee                          |  |   |   |
| <b>Special Events:</b>                                      |  |   |  |   |   |
|   | 4-6 <sup>th</sup> – AUXCOMM Class @ Hamcation                                      | 1-3 <sup>rd</sup> - Outdoor Expo or Boat Show       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> - MERT Field Day/HF NVIS Exercise – SW Marion Co - Ross Prairie State Park | <b>MERT Repeater Site Inspections</b>             | 4th - MERT Field Day/HF NVIS Exercise – NE Marion Co - Salt Springs |
|   | 5th - SKYWARN™ Spotter Class @ 6 PM  | 17-21st - MCPS <b>Shelter Audits</b> - Spring Break | 4th - Sheriff's Appreciation Dinner ★  |   |   |
|   | 7-9th – Orlando Hamcation  | Marion County Days & Fair                           | 12 <sup>th</sup> - ARES State Exercise (9 am to Noon)                                      |   | Marion County EOC Hurricane Preparation Workshop                    |
|   | 15 <sup>th</sup> - <b>Florida Youth Ranch</b> Support by MERT – Meet @ EOC by 7 AM |   | 19 <sup>th</sup> – CERT Countywide Drill 8 am Check In                                     | 30 <sup>th</sup> - MERT 20 Special Event Exercise |   |
|   |  |   | 28/29 <sup>th</sup> – ARRL Annual Field Day  |   |   |
|   |  | MCC Testing   | MCC Testing  | MCC Testing                                       |   |

| July  | August  | September                                | October                     | November         | December  |
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| Hurricane Season  | Hurricane Season                                  | Hurricane Season                         | Hurricane Season            | Hurricane Season | <b>No Monthly Meeting</b>                             |
| Why MERT has Wkly Nets?   | <b>Reviewing website KG4NXO.com</b>               | Why MERT has Wkly Nets?                  | MERT Radio Day - EOC        |                  |   |
| EOC Security Procedures Review  | Marion Co & NFL Winlink Digipeater/Gateway Review |  |                             |                  |   |
| SHREK Exercises - Active Radio Practices  | Activation Plan - HF Redundancy                   | Activation Plan - HF Redundancy          |                             |                  |   |
| Simplex Testing – A New EM Plan   | Simplex Testing – A New EM Plan                   | Simplex Testing – A New EM Plan          |                             |                  |   |
| Understanding FDEM Weather Updates  | Training Skill Book Classes                       |  | Training Skill Book Classes |                  |   |
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| <b>Special Events:</b>  |   |  |                             |                  |   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> - MERT Field Day/HF NVIS Exercise – NW Marion Co - NW 160 <sup>th</sup> /NE 220 Ave |   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> - HF NVIS Exercise @ EOC |                             |                  | 6-7 <sup>th</sup> - Silver Springs Radio Club Hamfest |
|   |   | ? - The Great Shakeout Exercise          |                             |                  |   |
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