




2025 Annual Activities Calendar

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Marion County Emergency Radio Team

January	February	March	April	May	June
7 th - VHF & HF Propagation Chart Review	5 th , 12 th & 19 th - Coaxial Cable Basics Part 1, 2 & 3	5 th – Shelter Audit Plan Review	2 nd – No Meeting - see MERT Special Events	7th - SHREK Exercises – Testing 880H Radios & Eq.	Hurricane Season
7 th - MERT ID Badge Information Update	12 th - Why MERT uses Winlink Messages	12 th – SHELTER WINLINK Test Practice Class	2 nd - 5 MERT req'd for CERT Exercise on 19th		4th - EOC Radio Room & Tower Training
15 th - Why MERT has Wkly Nets?	19 th - Marion Co & NFL Winlink Digipeater/Gateway Review	19th – NO MERT Meeting	9 th – SHREK Kit AUDITS & Shelter Manual Review	14 th - Personal GO KIT Basics Class	4 th - MERT EOC Tower Lowering Procedures & Inspection Class
18th – MERT Annual Meeting	26 th - WINLINK Message Day	26th – Check In starts at 10:30 am - SHELTER Tests Results Review	16 th - 2025 Solar Peak Year & HF Impacts	14 th - ICS-213 Message Practice (using HT's)	11th – RED BOOK IC GUIDE Review
22 nd - EOC Security Procedures Review	Need Volunteers for Marion County Days in March	26 th – Distribute equip for Ross Prairie Exercise	16 th - MCC Review & RF Exposure Test Results	21 nd - WINLINK Message Day using MCSO laptops	18 th - Where are ICS Fillable Forms? ICS Forms -214 & 309 Practice
22 nd – What is and why is ICS important?	Training Skill Book Classes	26 th – Simon World Map for HF Comm's	16 th - Training Skill Book Classes	21th – MCC Testing	18th – MCC Testing
Shelter Audits Planning Committee	Shelter Audits Planning Committee	Shelter Audits Practice Sessions	23 rd - WINLINK Message Day using MCSO laptops	Training Skill Book Classes	Training Skill Book Classes
29 th – Check In starts 10:30 am - FDEM EOM Exercise	26 th – Check In starts 10:30 am - FDEM EOM Exercise	26 th – Check In starts 10:30 am - FDEM EOM Exercise	23 rd - MCC RF Exposure Analysis Review	28 th – Distribute equip for Salt Springs Exercise	25th - Understanding SHARES
SOG Update Committee	SOG Updates Due	26 th - SOG Review - Updates sent to DEM	30 th – Check In starts 10:30 am - FDEM EOM Exercise	28 th – Check In starts 10:30 am - FDEM EOM Exercise	25 th – Check In starts 10:30 am - FDEM EOM Exercise
Special Events:					
	4-6 th – AUXCOMM Class @ Hamcation	15th – EMCOMM combined meeting MERT/CERT/HEC/ARES	2 nd - MERT Field Day/HF NVIS Exercise – SW Marion Co - Ross Prairie State Park		4 th - MERT Field Day/HF NVIS Exercise – NE Marion Co - Salt Springs
	5 th - SKYWARN™ Spotter Class @ 6 PM	18 & 19th - MCPS Shelter Audits - Spring Break	4 th - Sheriff's Appreciation Dinner 		
	7-9th – Orlando Hamcation		12 th – 2025 Florida AUXCOMM Exercise (9 am to Noon)		Marion County EOC Hurricane Preparation Workshop
	15 th - Florida Youth Ranch Support by MERT – Meet @ EOC by 7 AM		19 th – CERT Countywide Drill 8 am Check In	30 th - MERT 20 Special Event Exercise	
18th - ANNUAL Meeting EOC 10 am	No Monthly Meeting	15th - EMCOMM Meeting 10 am EOC	28/29 th – ARRL Annual Field Day	17th - EMCOMM Meeting 10 am EOC	No Monthly Meeting
				MCC Testing	MCC Testing

July	August	September	October	November	December
Hurricane Season	Hurricane Season	Hurricane Season	Hurricane Season	Hurricane Season	
Why MERT has Wkly Nets?	13th - Reviewing website KG4NXO.com	3 rd - Why MERT has Wkly Nets?	MERT Radio Day - EOC		
EOC Security Procedures Review	13 th - Marion Co & NFL Winlink Digipeater/Gateway Review				
SHREK Exercises - Active Radio Practices	Activation Plan - HF Redundancy	Activation Plan - HF Redundancy			
Simplex Testing Planning Committee	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		
2 nd - MERT Interoperability Vision Statement					
ICS-213 Message Practice (using HT's)					
30 th – Check In starts 10:30 am - FDEM EOM Exercise	27 th – Check In starts 10:30 am - FDEM EOM Exercise	24 th – Check In starts 10:30 am - FDEM EOM Exercise	29 th – Check In starts 10:30 am - FDEM EOM Exercise		
Special Events:					
2 nd - MERT Field Day/HF NVIS Exercise – NW Marion Co - NW 160 th /NE 220 Ave	6 th - MERT Repeater Site Inspections – Baseline & Sheriff Complex	Schedule Open – High Potential Activity Month	Schedule Open – High Potential Activity Month	Schedule Open – High Potential Activity Month	6-7 th - Silver Springs Radio Club Hamfest
	13rd - HF NVIS Exercise @ EOC	? - The Great Shakeout Exercise			
			MERT 20 Planning Committee	MERT 20 Planning Committee	MERT 20 Planning Committee
19th - EMCOMM Meeting 10 am EOC	No Monthly Meeting	20th - EMCOMM Meeting 10 am EOC	No Monthly Meeting	15th - EMCOMM Meeting 10 am EOC	No Monthly Meeting