

A.R.E.S.® ID Card information

All ARES® ID's are totally free, yes **FREE** to get, as long as you are a ARES® District 6 member. I will make them for each county under District 6. Aka, with the county name, instead of the Richland county in the top blue section. The Only people who have Richland County in the Top Blue Section are EC's. They have their titles in RED at the bottom of the main logo. The reason for this is because Richland is the home of ARES® District 6.

I am the one who makes them, purchased the supplies for making the cards, I laminate them, then make the holes in the IDS, for either a clip on, or a chain (which is more a more preferred method of displaying your ID.) I Purchase the supplies, and again, it is **NO COST TO YOU!** I pay for it all.

- 1) I will take your picture at an ARES® meeting.
- 2) You need to provide me with your FCC FRN number.
- 3) Your Ham and GMRS call signs (if you have a GMRS call sign).
- 4) Also, you will need to complete your DHS FEMA/NIMS, and ARRL EmComm Done.

Without this information, I will not issue you a ARES® District 6 ID card. The ID that Danny Bailey (ARES® DEC District 6 Emergency Coordinator) has issued to you is fine, but it is not something you can wear around your neck at ANY incident scene, which you NEED To Do, so you can be immediately I'd as a ARES® member, who can do communications, and assist in any situation.

ARES® ID Cards (per ARRL)

All registered ARES® volunteers should carry some form of an ARES ID card. Since 9/11, most EMA and Homeland Security offices are issuing their own ID cards to radio operators.

An ARES® (Amateur Radio Emergency Service) ID card serves as a visual verification that an individual is a licensed amateur radio operator who has registered with their local ARES® organization, signifying their willingness and ability to provide communication support during emergency situations like natural disasters, when regular communication networks may be compromised; essentially, it identifies them as a trained volunteer ready to assist in emergency response efforts using their ham radio skills.

Key points about an ARES® ID card:

Verification of qualifications:

It confirms that the holder has the necessary amateur radio license and has registered with their local ARES® group, demonstrating their competency to operate in emergency situations.

Access to emergency networks:

When activated during an emergency, the card allows the holder to access dedicated communication channels and coordinate with other ARES® members and emergency response agencies.

Official recognition:

Having an ARES® ID card indicates that the individual is recognized by their local emergency management agency as a reliable resource for communication support during disasters.

Improves coordination:

In emergency situations, the card helps identify fellow ARES® members quickly, facilitating efficient communication and collaboration within the team.

Please fill out the information on the following page, and return it to me directly at the ARES® Meeting. Then you will receive your ID at either the IARC club meeting, or the following ARES® meeting. Again, You NEED a Wearable ID to help in any emergency situation.

ID CARD FORM TO GET YOUR ARES® ID MADE & PRINTED

Your first name: _____

Your FCC FRN number issued to you by the FCC, With Expiration.

FRN: _____ Expiration date: _____

Your amateur radio call sign: _____

Your GMRS call sign: _____

You're WORKING / VALID email address: _____

You're WORKING / VALID Phone number: _____

Have you completed your FEMA-NIMS certification: _____

Have you completed your ARRL EmComm certification?: _____

Respectfully,

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