ARES® Kai a Pele COMEX - Player Handout

Served Agencies:

ACS/HC CDA

Tactical:	ACS
Call Sign:	KH7DQ
Lead Operator:	Doug Wilson
Frequency:	HF: 7.190.0 LSB
	HF: 3.895.0 LSB
	UHF: 442.150(+)
	Tone:100.0
Winlink forms To:	**KH7DQ**
Check in/out form to:	**WH6DVI**

Kauai EMA

Tactical:	Open
Call Sign:	Open
Operator:	
Frequency:	
Winlink To:	

Maui EMA

Tactical:	Maui EOC
Call Sign:	WH7EZ
Operator:	Everett Balmores
Frequency:	Any Winlink
Winlink to:	Gateway **MAUIEOC**
VHF/UHF:	KH6COM System
HF:	7.090 USB

Oahu DEM

Tactical:	DEM
Call Sign:	**KH6OCD**
Voice VHF:	Bernard KH6MOI
Voice HF:	Kevin B. WH6OHM
Freq. VHF:	146.5800 W
Freq. HF:	7.0900 USB Dial
Winlink To:	HF P2P **AH6T** 1119.5 Center/1118.0 Dial
	FM P2P & Telnet **KH6OCD**

What to do:

-Listen on applicable defined frequencies.
-Check in to voice nets. Follow directions of NCS.
-help other players with information, radio checks, etc. prior to the COMEX.
-Act as or suggest relay when needed.
-Print out/Understand the ICS-204, 205 for your area.
-Use best practices in EMCOMM.
-Follow FCC Part 97 Rules.
Winlink Stations: Submit Check-in/check-out form to your local Winlink Hub station. (See ICS-204)

What to report: *Report* observations of:

-Blocked/unsafe to cross roads, or bridges.
-Downed/dangerous power lines
-ANY flooding that is threatening/causing damage.
-High winds, strong enough to cause property damage.
-Any death, injury, or significant damage.
-Dangerous situations which may impact life safety or property
Situation reports are important to the EOC, as they need to know how/where they can safely deploy teams for emergency response, sheltering, feeding, etc.

Forms: Tactical traffic may not require any form. Follow the advice of your DEC/CEC. Part of their role is to seek input from served agencies on how to best assist.

- Hi Winlink Damage Report [New]
- Hi Winlink RFA [New]
- ICS-309 Communication Log
- Winlink Check-in/check-out forms
- Winlink Field Situation Report
- Safety Messages (see Guidance)

Additional Hawaii County Forms:

- ACS SitRep (Situation Report)
- ACS RFA (Request for Assistance)
- ACS RFI (Request for Information)*

***Used to ask about the status of RFI.**

Operating Tips:

- Never monopolize a frequency –experienced operators listen more than they transmit.
- Keep transmissions short.
- Pause before transmitting-wait 1-2 seconds before resuming so another station can break in.
- Use as few words as possible. Only transmit Essential Elements of Information. (EEI)
- If you must leave your station before the drill is finished, first check-out of any net you are checked in at.

Prowords:

Spoken

Word	Meaning:
Affirmative	*Yes*
Correction	I'm going to correct an error.
Figures	Station is about to speak a group of numbers.
I Spell	Last word(s) spoken will now be spelled.
Mixed Group	Station is about to speak a group of both numbers and letters.
Say Again	*Request station to repeat last. Example: Say again all after xyz.*

Prowords: (Continued)

Spoken

Word	**Meaning:**
Speak Slower	Request transmitting station to slow down.
Negative	*NO*
Over	Transmitting station now awaiting your reply. A typical response is "go ahead" or "say again…"
Out	Typically spoken along with the call sign or just the call sign. This ends the exchange.
Relay	I hear both of you and can relay information between your stations
Rodger	I have received your information Satisfactorily.
Wait	I must pause for a few seconds.
Wait Out	I must pause for more than a few seconds.

ITU Phonetics:

A Alfa	**N** November
B Bravo	**O** Oscar
C Charlie	**P** Papa
D Delta	**Q** Quebec
E Echo	**R** Romeo
F Foxtrot	**S** Sierra
G Golf	**T** Tango
H Hotel	**U** Uniform
I India	**V** Victor
J Juliett	**W** Whiskey
K Kilo	**X** XRay
L Lima	**Y** Yankee
M Mike	**Z** Zulu

Numbers: (Make it a habit to speak only single digits. Example: Say "one zero zero" and not "one hundred.")

Number	Pronounced:
1	Wun
2	Too
3	Tree
4	FOW-er
5	Fife
6	Six
7	SEV-en
8	Ate
9	Niner
0	Zero

Signal Reports:

Signal reporting consists of two elements. The first describes signal strength and the second describes readability. Use the following words to describe:

Strength: **Loud, Good,** or **Weak**
Readability: **Clear, Readable,** or **Unreadable**

Break Tags:

Break tags are tools that enhance network operation by reducing the amount of airtime needed to communicate specific ideas. Use these instead of the word break.

*** See ICS-309 Guidance Document**

Question	Indicates that you have a question that requires an immediate answer.
Answer	Indicates that you know the answer to the issue currently being discussed.
Information	Indicates you have information that the members of the net need to know ASAP.
Medical	Indicates you want to report a non-life-threatening medical incident.
Emergency	Indicates you want to report an event that is life-threatening or causing property damage right now.
Priority	Indicates you want to report an event that is significant but not a matter of life or death.
Relay	You are offering to act as a relay for a station that not being heard clearly by the intended destination.
your callsign	Indicates you have traffic for the net and you want to be put in the queue.

In a busy net use the suffix of your call sign or a tactical call, followed by the appropriate break tag. Wait to be recognized by net control before transmitting again.

Other Information:

- If planning to operate in public, seek permission as appropriate.
- Maintain Accurate ICS-309 Communication Log *.
- Submit your log to your CEC/DEC, after COMEX.
- Maintain a calm and professional demeanor.
- Be safe. (See ICS-208)
- Enjoy and learn from this COMEX.
- Attend the Hotwash at 1330 HST.