



TGA REPEATER SYSTEM POLICY

ARTICLE I, SCOPE

The following articles shall apply to all persons intending to operate the repeater systems associated with Tucson GMRS Association, Inc, conducting business as the “Southwest Community Radio System,” hereafter referred to as the ‘SWCRS’ and ‘REPEATER SYSTEM’ respectively.

The rules and regulations posted herein and imposed by the SWCRS are subject to change at any time without notice.

ARTICLE II, SYSTEM OWNERS

The REPEATER SYSTEM consists of privately held equipment from numerous entities, henceforth referred to as OWNERS. Ownership information for specific repeaters and associated equipment may be requested by any authority having jurisdiction by contacting: info@tucsongmrs.org.

ARTICLE III, USAGE REQUIREMENTS

All control operators (henceforth known as ‘CONTROL OPERATORS,’ ‘OPERATORS,’ or ‘USERS’) enter in agreement with the OWNERS the use of the REPEATER SYSTEM under the following conditions:

1. Users must operate in compliance with the FCC rules and regulations governing the GMRS, that is the FCC Code of Federal Regulations, Part 95, Sub-part E. Specifically, and consistent with these rules:

1. No kerchunking. Kerchunking is sending a brief transmission only to hear the repeater come back and give its courtesy tone; do the repeater owners and everyone else listening to the many repeaters a favor and identify your short transmissions as the FCC requires you to do.
 2. All users of the repeater system must be properly licensed for the GMRS service and properly identify all transmissions.
 3. In-band tone signaling is allowed on the REPEATER SYSTEM so long as transmissions are properly identified. Excessive use may result in restrictions on these types of transmissions on the system in consideration of the many stations that may be monitoring at anytime.
2. USERS may not cross-band into other radio services such as the ARS and MURS.
 3. The REPEATER SYSTEM is provided for the purposes of contacting and passing information between fellow GMRS operators, and providing service to the public as a voluntary, noncommercial communication service, particularly with respect to providing emergency communications. The REPEATER SYSTEM shall not be used to conduct business operations except where explicitly approved by the SWCRS as given in appendix A below.
 4. The following shall not be tolerated on the REPEATER SYSTEM:
 1. Malicious or intentional interference of anyone's communications.
 2. Obscene, indecent, racist, derogatory, or otherwise profane words, language, or meanings. Discussion of political or potentially sensitive social issues are permitted but discouraged, these discussions must be halted at the request of any REPEATER OWNER or an officer of the ASSOCIATION.
 3. Communications related to the conducting of any illegal activities or operations.
 5. Those who wish to utilize the REPEATER SYSTEM to host radio nets must first have the proposed net approved by the SWCRS. Approved nets are given in Appendix B below.
 6. Users shall not communicate with, or discuss the actions of, any individual that violates these terms of use. This includes the actions of individuals who intend to generate malicious interference, commonly known as "jamming."
 7. Users of the REPEATER SYSTEM shall treat other GMRS and FRS stations on and off the REPEATER SYSTEM, and the REPEATER SYSTEM itself, respectfully.
 8. Excepting the OWNERS, no individual has a legal right to use any repeater equipment that is part of the SWCRS, it is private equipment provided to the licensed public as a courtesy

only. The OWNERS reserve the right to forbid the use of the repeaters by anyone who repeatedly violates these rules, or anyone who facilitates or encourages others to violate these rules. Large scale, repeated violation of these rules may result in the revocation of all public access from the REPEATER SYSTEM, upon which it shall be made available on an as-requested basis per individual.

9. USERS and/or OPERATORS shall agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the OWNERS and the SWCRS and any of its affiliates from liability and claim for damages because of bodily injury, death, property damage, sickness, disease or less any expense arising from any situations resulting from the use and operation of the REPEATER SYSTEM. Use at your own risk.

APPENDIX A, PERMITTED BUSINESS USERS

The following businesses shall be permitted to utilize the REPEATER SYSTEM as part of mutual operation of repeater equipment. Usage shall be compliant with FCC CFR 47, Part 95, Subpart E. Businesses carry no affiliation with the SWCRS outside of the operation of mutually utilized equipment and infrastructure, and are solely responsible for the legal operation of the system to the extent of their communications:

1. Southern Arizona Video Productions, LLC (“SAVP”), with usage limited solely to equipment located at the TUCSON 550 site.

APPENDIX B, PERMITTED RADIO NETS

The following radio nets are permitted on the REPEATER SYSTEM. Radio nets shall be operated in compliance with FCC CFR 47, Part 95, Subpart E. Radio nets carry no affiliation with the SWCRS, except when explicitly noted. Nets may be approved and authorized prior to implementation into this policy prior to the board acting to amend the following list with verbal or written approval from an officer of the SWCRS.

1. Southwest GMRS Net, meeting every Sunday at 5PM MST
2. National GMRS Net, meeting every Sunday at 6PM MST
3. Tech Net, meeting every Wednesday at 7PM MST

APPENDIX C, REPEATER LINKING POLICY

The REPEATER SYSTEM is open for internet linking via Asterisk APP_RPT using the IAX voice protocol only so long as the remote system is registered with the myGMRS network, or explicitly permitted to connect in writing by an officer of the SWCRS. Remote traffic linked into the REPEATER SYSTEM shall be subject to all provisions of this policy, and traffic coming from remote links may be disconnected at the sole discretion of any REPEATER OWNER or officer of the ASSOCIATION on the SWCRS for any reason and at any time.

Access to the REPEATER SYSTEM is a privilege, not a right. SWCRS reserves the right to blacklist specific licensees, nodes, or external repeater systems that cause undue interference or malignant traffic via internet linking.

APPENDIX D – AUTHORIZED USERS

Only licensees explicitly authorized to access the REPEATER SYSTEM may utilize the REPEATER SYSTEM. The SWCRS maintains a list of authorized licensees, use by unlisted personnel is not permitted per the FCC's rules and regulations governing the General Mobile Radio Service. The SWCRS will readily furnish a list of users to any authorities having jurisdiction when requested to do so.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION OF REPEATER SYSTEM POLICY

I do hereby certify that the above stated Repeater System Policy for Tucson GMRS Association, Inc. was approved and adopted by the board of directors on February 5, 2021 and constitutes a complete copy of this policy with the corporation.



David Adriaanse, Board President

Date: February 5, 2021