ARRL Numbered Radiograms

The ARRL National Traffic System has a long history of originating, relaying, and delivering messages via amateur radio. This system includes many features that do not conform to the guidance of the Incident Command System, particularly the requirement to use "Plain Language" for all communications. Operators originating any message within the ICS system should always use plain language. However it is possible that you will receive messages that include ARRL NTS Numbered Radiograms.

When a message containing Numbered Radiograms is to be relayed within the ARRL National Traffic System, the message will be relayed exactly as received.

When a message containing Numbered Radiograms is to be relayed outside the ARRL National Traffic System or is to be delivered, convert any Numbered Radiograms to plain language.

According to the NTS manual: The letters ARL are inserted in the preamble in the check and in the text before spelled out numbers, which represent texts from this list. Note that some ARL texts require insertion of numerals or other information.

Example: NR 1 R W1AW ARL 5 NEWINGTON CONN DEC 25 DONALD R SMITH 164 EAST SIXTH AVE NORTH RIVER CITY MO PHONE 995 732 3968 ARL FIFTY ARL SIXTY ONE DIANA

For additional information about traffic handling, consult The ARRL Operating Manual, published by ARRL.

Group One–For Possible “Relief Emergency” Use

ONE - Everyone safe here. Please don’t worry.
TWO - Coming home as soon as possible.
THREE - Am in ____ hospital. Receiving excellent care and recovering fine.
FOUR - Only slight property damage here. Do not be concerned about disaster reports.
FIVE - Am moving to new location. Send no further mail or communication. Will inform you of new address when relocated.
SIX - Will contact you as soon as possible.
SEVEN - Please reply by Amateur Radio through the amateur delivering this message. This is a free public service.
EIGHT - Need additional _____ mobile or portable equipment for immediate emergency use.
NINE - Additional _____ radio operators needed to assist with emergency at this location.
TEN - Please contact ______. Advise to standby and provide further emergency information, instructions or assistance.

ELEVEN - Establish Amateur Radio emergency communications with ______ on _____ MHz.

TWELVE - Anxious to hear from you. No word in some time. Please contact me as soon as possible.

THIRTEEN - Medical emergency situation exists here.

FOURTEEN - Situation here becoming critical. Losses and damage from ____ increasing.

FIFTEEN - Please advise your condition and what help is needed.

SIXTEEN - Property damage very severe in this area.

SEVENTEEN - REACT communications services also available. Establish REACT communication with ______ on channel _____.

EIGHTEEN - Please contact me as soon as possible at ______.

NINETEEN - Request health and welfare report on______. (State name, address, and telephone number.)

TWENTY - Temporarily stranded. Will need some assistance. Please contact me at ______.

TWENTY ONE - Search and Rescue assistance is needed by local authorities here. Advise availability.

TWENTY TWO - Need accurate information on the extent and type of conditions now existing at your location. Please furnish this information and reply without delay.

TWENTY THREE - Report at once the accessibility and best way to reach your location.

TWENTY FOUR - Evacuation of residents from this area urgently needed. Advise plans for help.

TWENTY FIVE - Furnish as soon as possible the weather conditions at your location.

TWENTY SIX - Help and care for evacuation of sick and injured from this location needed at once.
Note: Emergency and priority messages originating from official sources must carry the signature of the originating official.

Group Two - Routine messages

FORTY SIX - Greetings on your birthday and best wishes for many more to come.

FIFTY - Greetings by Amateur Radio.

FIFTY ONE - Greetings by Amateur Radio. This message is sent as a free public service by ham radio operators at ______. Am having a wonderful time.

FIFTY TWO - Really enjoyed being with you. Looking forward to getting together again.

FIFTY THREE - Received your ______. It’s appreciated; many thanks.

FIFTY FOUR - Many thanks for your good wishes.

FIFTY FIVE - Good news is always welcome. Very delighted to hear about yours.

FIFTY SIX - Congratulations on your ______, a most worthy and deserved achievement.

FIFTY SEVEN - Wish we could be together.

FIFTY EIGHT - Have a wonderful time. Let us know when you return.

FIFTY NINE - Congratulations on the new arrival. Hope mother and child are well.

SIXTY - Wishing you the best of everything on ______.

SIXTY ONE - Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

SIXTY TWO - Greetings and best wishes to you for a pleasant ______ holiday season.

SIXTY THREE - Victory or defeat, our best wishes are with you. Hope you win.

SIXTY FOUR - Arrived safely at ______.

SIXTY FIVE - Arriving ______ on ______. Please arrange to meet me there.

SIXTY SIX - DX QSLs are on hand for you at the ______ QSL Bureau. Send ______ self addressed envelopes.
SIXTY SEVEN - Your message number _____ undeliverable because of _____.
   Please advise.

SIXTY EIGHT - Sorry to hear you are ill. Best wishes for a speedy recovery.

SIXTY NINE - Welcome to the______. We are glad to have you with us and hope you
   will enjoy the fun and fellowship of the organization.

Note: Texts sixty and sixty-two can be used for all holidays. Sixty can be used for any
occasion and always requires information to fill in the blank. If sixty-two is used without
information to fill in the blank, the text will be delivered as “Greetings and best wishes to
you for a pleasant holiday season.”