


# Sunshine Coast Regional District - Emergency Program VE7SCE

## Emergency Communications

Many amateur radio operators have the equipment and skills to support the community in case of an emergency  and may be able to make an essential contribution to public safety. The hazards we face here on the Sunshine Coast are apparent to all - club members are strongly encouraged to have a source of back-up radio power and emergency supplies for a period of 72 hours, better still - two weeks. It is recommended to maintain a paper copy of this .pdf and of all BCARCC repeater frequencies within range if not programmed in your radio.

The SCRD Emergency Radio Station is located in the SCRD HQ building at 1975 Field Road Sechelt adjacent to the Emergency Operations Centre. The Emergency Communications Team (ECT) meet weekly on Wednesdays at 10:00 - 14:00hrs Local time. Check-ins on Wednesdays to the station VE7SCE on VE7RXZ 147.220 are welcome.

## BC Provincial Emergency Radio Communications Service - Public Safety Lifeline Volunteers

During disasters and other serious emergency situations, a proven reliable means of communication has been emergency radio communications, notably "amateur" or "ham" radio. Through the Provincial Emergency Radio Communications Service (PERCS), Emergency Management BC is linked with the hundreds of volunteer amateur radio operators who are available to assist with communications in the event of an emergency. These licensed volunteer amateur radio operators are affiliated with their local government's emergency management programs and most supply their own equipment. They train regularly and often take part in emergency exercises so they are prepared for any crisis situation that arises. (from [www2.gov.bc.ca](http://www2.gov.bc.ca))

Members of the SCRD ECT are required to be members of the EMBC Public Safety Lifeline Volunteers.

- The club also operates a Winlink Station VE7SCE-10 on 144.490 MHz and a packet digipeating station VE7SCA-7
- See

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for more information.