

North Dakota

2024 EAS TEST SCHEDULE

This is the 2024 Required Monthly Test (RMT) schedule for the North Dakota Emergency Alert System (EAS). The State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) has implemented the Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) to disseminate alert and warning messages to commercial radio and television broadcasters simultaneously across EAS.

RMTs initiated by the State will be disseminated through IPAWS. Stations monitoring analog broadcasts can receive re-broadcast of EAS tests and alerts by continued monitoring of assigned LP-1 stations and/or through digital IPAWS CAP communications.

On-air, cable and satellite radio and television stations must ensure their equipment is programmed to process the following non-weather emergency codes used by state and local Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) authorized to disseminate non-weather emergency and warning codes using the IPAWS system.

Non-Weather Event Codes

EAS Test Codes

RWT - Required Weekly Test
RMT – Required Monthly Test

Emergency Codes

LAE – Local Area Emergency
CEM – Civil Emergency Msg
TOE – Telephone Outage (911)
CAE – Child Abduction Emergency
BLU- Blue Alert

Evacuation Codes

EVI – Evacuation Immediate
SPW – Shelter-In-Place Warning

Warning Codes

CDW – Civil Danger Warning
FRW – Fire Warning
HMW – Hazardous Materials
LEW – Law Enforcement
RHW – Radiological Hazard Warning

Upon reception of an RMT, commercial radio and television stations have 60 minutes to re-transmit the alert. The RMT is scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month. Odd months are during the daylight hours. Even months are at night. If the first Wednesday falls on a holiday, the test will be conducted on the second Wednesday of the month.

If there are technical problems with an RMT, it should be sent again the following week on the same day and time.

Local Primary Stations have replaced Local PSAPs in running the RMT every third month. (2023)

NDDES Watch Center has replaced ND State Radio in running the RMT every third month. (2024)

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ORIGINATOR</u>
January 3	2 PM - 3 PM	ND Watch Center
February 7	11 PM - Midnight	PEP (KFYR-AM)
March 6	2 PM - 3 PM	LP1 Stations
April 3	11 PM - Midnight	ND Watch Center
May 1	2 PM - 3 PM	PEP (KFYR-AM)
June 5	11 PM - Midnight	LP1 Stations
July 3	2 PM - 3 PM	ND Watch Center
August 7	11 PM - Midnight	PEP (KFYR-AM)
September 4	2 PM - 3 PM	LP1 Stations
October 2	11 PM - Midnight	ND Watch Center
November 6	2 PM - 3 PM	PEP (KFYR-AM)
December 4	11 PM - Midnight	LP1 Stations

ND Watch Center - (Statewide Alert Dissemination)

PEP - Primary Entry Point (National Emergency Dissemination)

LP1 Stations- Local Primary Stations