

NTS Handling Instructions



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HXA Delivery by email and/or text message preferred.
HXB Cancel message if not delivered within hours of filing time; service originating station.
HXC Delivering station report date and time of delivery (TOD) to originating station. If received directly on the air by the addressee, then the addressee is responsible for the reply.
HXD All stations handling this message report to originating station the identity of station from which received, plus date and time. Report identity of station to which relayed, plus date and time, or if delivered report date, time and method of delivery. During disasters or periods of high demand on circuit capacity, avoid using this instruction.
HXE Delivering station get reply from addressee, originate message back. If received directly on the air by the addressee, then the addressee is responsible for the reply.
HXF Hold delivery until (date).
HXG If postage or other expense involved, may cancel message and service originating station.
HXI Please deliver as a radiogram-ICS-213 message.
HXR Please confirm that the addressee has read the message and reply to originator. Reserved for Emergency, Priority and Certified precedence messages.
HXT Special traffic test message, ID