

National Moment of Silence Participant Information Sheet and Suggested Script

The National EMS Memorial Service is coordinating a National Moment of Silence.

This project provides an opportunity for those who can not be in attendance at the National EMS Memorial Service to honor and remember those members of our profession who have given their lives in the line of duty. All EMS and communications agencies wishing to participate are requested to observe 60 seconds* of radio silence.

The National Moment of Silence is held each year on the last Saturday of June at 1930 hrs (MDT) in concurrence with Moment of Silence observed during the National EMS Memorial Service.

ALL TIMES ARE MOUNTAIN DAYLIGHT TIME! Please adjust as required for your time zone.

[NOTE: Please time the transmission of any alert/activation tones required by your radio system to allow you to begin speaking at the time indicated below.]

Begin script:

19:29:30 All units please stand by for a special message

19:29:40 Attention all units operating on this frequency, In conjunction with the National EMS Memorial Service now ongoing in Colorado Springs, Colorado, this agency will observe a moment of radio silence in honor of those members of our Nation's Emergency Medical Services who have made the ultimate sacrifice, and given their lives in the line of duty.

Please stand by unless you have an emergency. . . .

19:30:00 [Begin Moment of Silence]

19:31:00 This concludes the moment of silence. Please resume normal radio traffic.

:End script

* While 60 seconds is the suggested duration, it is understood that some busier jurisdictions may be unable to comply. Please feel free to adjust the duration according to the needs of your agency.