


# 505Net Quick Reference

## Net Notes:

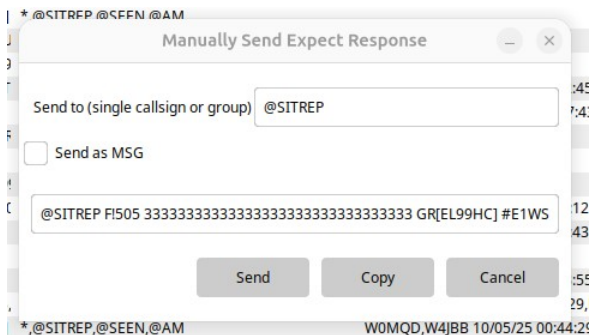
- This Quick Reference is based on current versions
- Current version of JS8Spotter is 1.19 - <https://kf7mix.com/js8spotter.html>
- Current version of JS8Reporter is 1.4.9 - <https://sitrepnet.com/js8reporter/>
- Test Net – Every Tuesday in June, 2026 at 7:00 pm Eastern. See <https://sitrepnet.com/505net/> for details.

## Create the F505 Area Assessment report

1. In JS8Spotter, go to Tools > MCForms-Forms, and select F!505 Area Assessment.
2. **If this is your first time using the F505:**
  - Go through each item and pick the appropriate option. The default is "Unknown or N/A". It's OK to leave it at that if you really don't know.
  - Be sure to enter your Maidenhead Grid Square location; the report is meaningless without it.
  - Leave the state and county blank, since those are not used.
  - Click on Post Form to Expect.
3. **If you already have a current F505:**
  - Click on Load Posted Expect Form, review, make any needed changes, then Post Form to Expect.  Posting updates the date/time code, so be sure you are sending a “fresh” report.
    1. Since we're using this with JS8Reporter, you can leave the state and county blank, since those are not used; only the Maidenhead Grid Square is needed for location.
4. Click on "Post Form to Expect", then confirm when prompted.  
It will ask if you want to send now - select No.

## Export the file

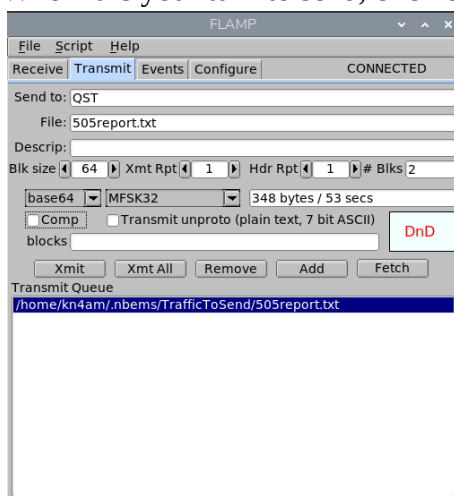
1. Click Tools > Expect System
2. Left click on the F!505 form to select it, then right-click. The Manually Send form appears.
3. Click Copy. That copies it to the clipboard. Open a text editor and paste it into it. It should look something like this:  
`@SITREP F!505 33333333333333333333333333333333 GR[EL99HC] #E1WS`
4. Name the file using whatever system works best for you, then save that file to wherever you normally save files to be sent as traffic using FLAMP.



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## Send the file

1. Have FLDIGI and FLAMP open.
2. FLAMP - select the Transmit tab, then click Add. Browse and select the F!505 file you just created.
3. Put a check in the "Comp" box.
4. When it is your turn to send, click on the "Xmit" button.



## Import into JS8Reporter

After the reports have been received and compiled, NCS will send one file containing all received reports from all available sources. All duplicates will have been removed as well as any invalid reports.

- The file name will use the following format: 505-yyyymmdd.txt
- The file will include all records received, including the previous 30 days of records received on JS8Call 7.078. This allows you to view trends over time by using the Time Lapse function on JS8Reporter. The program automatically removes all duplicates.

1. Save the file to `/js8reporter/data/imports/`
2. Open JS8Reporter.
3. Click on File > Import F505 file...
4. Select the file, and click Open

That's all there is to it. Read through the User Manual (in your `js8reporter` folder) to learn about the different features and reports available in JS8Reporter.