

## Radiogram Handling Instructions (HX)

Handling instructions (HX) are used to convey special instructions to handling and delivering operators. When used, it is inserted in the message preamble between the precedence and the station of origin. Its use is optional with the originating station, but once inserted is mandatory with all relaying stations.

<b>HXA</b>	(May be followed by a number.) Collect landline delivery authorized by addressee within X miles. (if no number, authorization is unlimited.)
<b>HXB</b>	(Followed by a number.) Cancel message if not delivered within X hours of filing time; service originating station.
<b>HXC</b>	Report date and time of delivery to originating station.
<b>HXD</b>	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.
<b>HXE</b>	Delivering station get reply from addressee, originate message back.
<b>HXF</b>	(Followed by number.) Hold delivery until a specified date.
<b>HXG</b>	Delivery by mail or landline toll call not required. If toll or other expense involved, cancel message and service originating station.

If more than one handling instruction is used, they can be combined if no numbers are to be inserted (ie, HXAC). Otherwise, the HX should be repeated (ie, HXA2 HXF04).

*Taken from the ARRL Field Service Manual*

