Receiving Your Messages

The quickest and simplest way to receive your messages is to give
the 'RN' (meaning 'Read New') or the 'RM' (read mine) command
as soon as you sign on. All messages in the system not already
marked 'forwarded' will be transmitted to you automatically.
As each message is completely forwarded to you, you will receive
the 'Next Message' prompt. Answering 'Y' will mark the message
forwarded and send the next message (if any). Answering 'N' will
keep the message in 'unread' status and stop the reading process
immediately. Answering 'C' will mark the message as forwarded
and send the remaining messages without asking for the "Next"
prompt again. Answering 'A' will also keep the message in
un-read status and stop sending any further messages.

Any message read can still be re-read using the 'R (number)' command.

If you are receiving an un-forwarded message and the link is lost
while reading the message before you confirm its receipt using
the Next Message prompt, it will still be available to the 'RN'
command. Caution: If you select the 'continuous mode' and you
loose a link, you take a chance of having messages marked forwarded
before you had a chance to see them. This is due to the large
type-ahead buffer in some of the newer TNCs where dozens of lines
are stored ahead of sending them over the air. To ensure this
will never happen acknowledge each message separately.

You do not have to (in fact, cannot) delete a message. Once it
is forwarded the system will delete it 24 or more hours later.
In the meantime it may be read again using the 'R (number)' command.

Use the list commands to see what messages are available.

You may read all your new messages uninterrupted with the RC (read
contiguous) command. All the rules described here apply except
that the 'Next Message' prompt is never offered. The 'Page' option
still applies, however.

See also the PAGE command.