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What additional details do you want to keep confidential?:
No
If you want part of your response kept confidential, which parts?:
Ofcom may publish a response summary:
Yes
I confirm that I have read the declaration:
Yes
Additional comments:
Question 1:Do you agree with the proposal to include, as a matter of course, the 470 kHz and 5 MHz bands into the Licence for all Amateur Radio (Full)

licensees?:

No - Not as proposed. Why should these bands be treated any differently to the other amateur bands, and so should use similar wording to the current wording for the other bands.

Question 2:Do you agree that expressly linking a Full (Club) Licensee?s authorisation to use the spectrum to his or her representation of a named club, and by adding a further ground for revoking the Licence to include

circumstances where the licensee no longer represents the club, will help ensure that a club?s call sign remains with the club?:

Yes. Although a return to the older arrangements where a club license was heled "On Behalf Of" a club would be better!

Question 3:Do you agree that Ofcom should include a further ground of revocation in the Licence as proposed above in order better to align Clause 4 with the definition of ?Disqualified Person??:

Yes

Question 4:Do you agree that the word ?automatically? should be removed from Clause 4(5) of the Licence, in relation to the revocation of the Licence for failure to comply with the revalidation requirements?:

Yes

Question 5:Do you agree that Clause 15 of the Licence should be updated to reflect the wording included in Ofcom?s General Licence Conditions Booklet?:

Yes

Question 6:Do you agree that Clause 13 of the Licence should be amended to allow for a simpler, more flexible approach for identifying Amateur Radio stations?:

No - Not as proposed. 'as frequently as practicable' would in the limit mean that an amateur should only ever transmit their own callsign! Better wording is needed. As to fornat, "a format consistent with the modulation in use " should cover voice and Morse Code perfectly adequately.

Question 7: Given the current uncertainty amongst Radio Amateur licensees in relation to Clause 2(2), do you believe that it would be a practical solution for Ofcom to remove this Clause and to insert additional wording into Clause 13, as proposed above?:

No. The current use of RSLs is accepted and even favoured by the vast majority of licensees. You can do what you like as to the presentation of the callsign on the license documents (although the Scots, Irish and Welsh would all prefer to see the RSL included there), but PLEASE leave alone the current system of using the RSL to identify the current location of the station when transmitting.

Apart from the UK licensees, current UK RSL practise is also well known and accepted worldwide, so changing it has major consequences worldwide.

Question 8:Do you agree with Ofcom?s proposal to amend Clause 2(3) of the Licence to require Intermediate licensees to transmit a call sign that reflects the location of their main station?:

No I disagree - All call sign classes should be treated in the same way by retaining the current clause in respect of the callsign prefix

Question 9:Do you agree that replacing Clauses 2(1) and 16(1) with a new Clause to simplify and bring together all of the licence conditions relating to the operation of radio equipment away from the Main Station address will make these provisions clearer?:

Yes

Question 10:Do you agree that the proposed changes will clarify RAYNET operation under the Licence?:

Yes