

representing:

Self

Organisation (if applicable):

What additional details do you want to keep confidential?:

Keep name confidential

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, I agree that the bands should be given to full licencees but only in the same way as bands to which we have secondary privileges. i.e. we should not cause interference to the primary users of those frequencies

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of a named club, and by adding a further ground for revoking the Licence to include circumstances where the licensee no longer represents the club, will help ensure that a club's call sign remains with the club?: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

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

The requirement to identify should be kept as is at 15 minute intervals but the means of identification should be appropriate to the modulation used. i.e. on RTTY a RTTY identification should be adequate without recourse to sending a CW or phone ID. The same should apply to all non-phone and CW modes.

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, there is no need to change what is worldwide accepted practice. The way UK call signs are used is well understood everywhere. The proposed change would cause considerable confusion amongst amateur radio operators all over the world

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 Intermediate licences should be treated in the same way as other uK licences. My wife's call in England is 2E1FKA, it is sensible to use 2M1FKA in Scotland and 2W1FKA in Wales. That is understood by all amateurs in the world. the use of for example MM/2E1FKA would be confusing and pointless. All UK call signs should work in the same way for international understanding of where a station is located when it is operating. The station's home call would be the one published in callbooks etc.

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