

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?:

I agree that the 470khz and 5mhz bands should be included into the main licence, but under the current regulations pertaining to the established bands.

In particular I disagree with the clause that the station must not cause interference with electronic equipment as in some cases it is the lack of RF immunity in the electronic equipment that is to blame. The clause infers that it will be the responsibility of the Radio Amateur to ensure equipment with poor immunity is not interfered with, or cease transmitting.

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of a named club, and by adding a further ground for revoking the Licence to include circumstances where the licensee no longer represents the club, will help ensure that a club?s call sign remains with the club?:

I agree.

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??:

I agree.

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?:

I agree.

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?:

I agree.

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?:

I feel the current arrangement with call-sign announcement works well however I'm aware that there are many stations, especially on VHF, who do not observe the current 15 minute rule. The proposal would bring these operators under compliance.

I believe the 'seasoned' Radio Amateur will continue to operate as normal with frequent call sign announcements and will therefore not be affected.

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?:

I do not see any benefit in the proposed changes, in fact quite the opposite.

For example, under this proposal I can see the possibility for a Welsh or Scottish station to enter an international radio contest more than once. Once with the RSL (i.e. GW), and again by dropping the RSL (G). So this would allow, for example, a Welsh station to enter a contest under two call signs yet an English station would remain with just one entry possibility.

I would also feel that the International Radio Community would be happier with the current arrangement as this pinpoints the location of the UK station to the individual UK country.

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?:

I feel the call sign should reflect the location of operation, not the location of the main station.

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?:

I agree

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

I agree