

**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

**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. Application for an NOV shows intent to learn about the special requirements and technicalities of these special bands. In particular, 5 MHz is not a general "chat" band and users need to understand the limitations.

**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of a named club, and by adding a further ground for revoking the Licence to include circumstances where the licensee no longer represents the club, will help ensure that a club's call sign remains with the club?:**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 - provided that it is implemented and enforced. Otherwise no point.

**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. Callsigns should be given at the start and end of every contact and at least every 15 minutes. Even that is too infrequent in my view, but seems to be the accepted norm.

**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 uncertainty. The proposal to make RSLs optional seems a complete nonsense to me. Any confusion has only arisen from Ofcom changes over the years to "clarify and make things simple" The reverse has happened. Making RSLs optional will be more confusing particularly for overseas operators who need to know which country the station is located in.

**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. Not needed - see Q7

**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?:**

No. They are already clear. There is no confusion. The RSL should be adjusted to indicate the region of operation. My original 1969 licence was very clear.

#### 9. Call Sign and Notification of Location

(1) Whenever the Station is used the call sign mentioned on the first page of this Licence shall be transmitted: Provided that when the Station is used -

(a) at an address other than the main address the Licensee shall, in order to indicate the country or place of use, vary the prefix letter to the call sign by using the prefix letter(s) appropriate to that country or place, being G for England, GM for Scotland, GW for Wales, GI for Northern Ireland, GC for the Channel Islands and GD for the Isle of Man:

(b) at the temporary premises the suffix "/A" shall be added to the call sign

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(c) at the temporary location the suffix "/P" shall be added to the call sign.

Perhaps you should just go back to that !!!

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

Yes