

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?:

Yes

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of a named club, and by adding a further ground for revoking the Licence to include circumstances where the licensee no longer represents the club, will help ensure that a club's call sign remains with the club?: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

Absolutely, most misleading.

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 assumption that individual Radio Amateurs are best placed to decide how to go about identifying their stations is questionable. If left to individuals, a wide scale variance in practice will follow to the detriment of the quality of operating procedure. Routine confirmation of call signs at a minimum of 15 minute periods and more often than not after each transmission, has become best practice within amateur service and distinguishes licences amateurs from 'casual' users of licence exempt services.

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?:

Additional wording should propose variations to the existing conditions only to allow for modes of operation where the 15 minute stipulate may not be feasible or practical

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. The current location of an transmitting station is more important than it's registered station address.

To avoid uncertainties over identifying location, callsigns should reflect the current location of the transmitting station. Anys intermediate licences containing an RSL should be modified by OFCOM to accomodate this operational consistency.

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, but any changes should apply to RAYNET operation only.