

**Title:**

Mr

**Forename:**

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**Representing:**

Self

**Organisation (if applicable):**

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**What additional details do you want to keep confidential?:**

Keep organisation 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:**

I make this response as an active Radio Amateur, originally licensed in 1976. My callsign is G8MLK.

**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, these bands should form part of the normal set of bands available to Radio Amateurs. I am not sure why there need to be specific clauses for these bands covering such things as interference and radiation hazards. Surely these are already covered by the overall provisions in the licence.

**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of a named club, and by adding a further ground for revoking the Licence to include circumstances where the licensee no longer represents the club, will help ensure that a club's call sign remains with the club?:**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, this is a sensible move, to simplify the retention of club licences and callsigns.

**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, this makes sense.

**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?:**

Yes. It is a sensible change.

**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?:**

This is a sensible move, to remove confusion over the use of RSLs. It does need some thought about its impact on existing licence holders (Foundation and Intermediate) who have an RSL already included in their issued callsign. There may be confusion unless the change is succinctly and widely promulgated.

**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?:**

Yes, this lines up with Question 7.

**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, perfectly sensible.