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Self

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

No

**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:**

Call sign G0WZX

**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?:**

Not as proposed.

These bands should be added to Table C in Schedule 1 on the same basis as other frequency allocations on a Secondary basis, with geographical restrictions included in the Table.

The phrase 'electronic equipment' should be deleted from paragraph 2.26.3. Interference to non-radio related equipment has never been included in the licence schedule and is at variance with Ofcom's normal practice of not investigating complaints of interference to such

equipment. The immunity of some non-radio equipment is often poor and its inclusion would present unmanageable demands on investigation which could be better targeted elsewhere. The new requirements in paragraph 2.26.6 are adequately covered by existing Schedule 1 Note (e), and paragraph 2.26.6 should be deleted.

**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of a named club, and by adding a further ground for revoking the Licence to include circumstances where the licensee no longer represents the club, will help ensure that a club's call sign remains with the club?:**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 definition of callsign usage and current 15 minute maximum interval should remain. In practice callsigns are often given more frequently, so there is no need to change the current requirements.

Callsigns should be given using the mode in use, there is no need to mention a specific mode.

**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, the current wording is clear and there should be no confusion as to whether the RSL should be used. The current system is understood nationally and internationally, and optional use of RSL's would cause confusion for DXCC and contesting.

**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, linking Intermediate callsigns to main station address would be confusing and at variance with the proposals for Full and Foundation licencees.

The use of RSL's should be consistent for all licence classes.

**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