

VE Exams

Amateur Radio License Exams for Technician, General and Extra will be given on Saturday.

There will be only one (1) Amateur Radio exam session on Saturday at 9:00 AM. YOU MUST BE IN THE ROOM NO LATER THAN 9:15 AM TO TAKE THE EXAM.

If you are coming to the Hamfest for a VE examination only, you are not required to purchase an admission ticket. If you plan on looking around at the Hamfest before or after the exam you must purchase a ticket. Tickets will be available at the VE session.

Walk ins are accepted.

What You Will Need To Know and Do To Take The Exam

You are required to provide your [FRN](#) on the 605 form and the exam answer sheets. Visit the [ARRL](#) or [FCC](#) for additional information and FAQ's. **Get your [FRN](#) number before taking your first Amateur Radio exam.**

Candidates must provide a valid email address for the FCC to communicate with you regarding the new \$35 application fee for an new amateur radio license grants. When you successfully complete the exam and the results are sent to the ARRL they will notify the FCC of your status. Then the FCC will send you an email with a link to an online address you must visit and provide payment of the fee via credit card. This transaction must be completed within ten (10) days of your email from the FCC. Only after submission of this fee will the FCC issue your call sign and post it on the FCC website for you to use.

For candidates under 18 years of age the ARRL is providing compensation for the new \$35 application fee. This compensation is in the form of a reimbursement of the fee from the ARRL. Also the examination fee for applicants under 18 is \$5 rather than the usual \$15 fee collected by the Volunteer Examiner team. Information on this program is provided at <https://www.arrl.org/youth-licensing-grant-program> on the internet. Forms for this program will be provided at the VE session and will be submitted by the VE Team to the ARRL.

Test sessions will be conducted by examiners affiliated with the ARRL-VEC.

On exam day bring the following items:

1. A legal photo ID (driver's license, passport).
2. When no photo ID is available, **two** forms of identification must be presented:
 - non-photo ID/driver's license (some states still have them)
 - birth certificate (must have the appropriate seal)
 - library card

- utility bill, bank statement or other business correspondence that specifically names the person; or a postmarked envelope addressed to the person at his or her current mailing address as it appears on the Form 605
3. Students may bring any of the above items and/or a school ID, minor's work permit, report card, or a legal guardian may present a photo ID.
 4. Bring your FCC issued Federal Registration Number (FRN). VECs are required by the FCC to submit your FRN with your license application form. You should register before exam day on the FCC's Universal Licensing System (ULS) to get your FCC issued FRN. For instruction on how to register with the FCC and receive your FRN visit the [FCC's FAQ](#) page and the [FCC's registration instructions](#) page.
 5. If applicable, bring the original and a photocopy of your **current amateur radio license and any Certificates of Successful Completion of Examination** (CSCEs are valid for 365 days) you may hold from previous exam sessions. The photocopies will not be returned to you. **Note: no copy machine is available at the Hamfest.**
 6. Two #2 pencils with erasers and a pen.
 7. A calculator with the memory erased and formulas cleared is allowed. You may not bring any written notes or calculations into the exam session. Slide rules and logarithmic tables are acceptable as long as they are free of notes and formulas. Your cell phone must be silenced or turned off during the exam session and the phone's calculator function may **not** be used. In addition, iPhones, iPads, Androids, smartphones, Blackberry devices and all similar electronic devices with a calculator capability may **not** be used.
 8. The current exam session fee of \$15.00 cash or check made out to ARRL VEC.

For Special Accommodations please contact Tom, NA8X, at 731-780-2467, or email hcarc.na8x@gmail.com, at least two (2) weeks prior to the exam so all materials for your test are available.

FREE Online Practice Exams:

The Amateur Radio community has a long tradition of supporting licensing and education of new Amateurs or hams. The following exam practice aids have been developed by hams to support that effort and are shared freely with prospective licensees like you, and with other hams who want to upgrade to a license with more privileges. Check them out to find out which will be most useful to you!

- ARRL.org
- QRZ.com
- EHAM.net
- KB0MGA.net