



# **General License Class**

## **Class Procedures**



## **Hints & Tips**



## **Class Procedures**

- Each class session will begin with questions about the previous week's material.
- A 10-15 minute break will be provided about half-way through the session.
- Feel free to ask questions at any time about the material being covered.
- Class dismissal time will vary depending on material covered.
- No smoking in the building.



## Before the Class

- Before each class, read the material to be covered.
- Throughout each chapter, there will be blue boxes with lists of question numbers. Go to the back of the book & review those questions when you come to one of those boxes.



## After the Class

- After each class, review the material covered.
- Review the questions in the back of the book referred to in the chapter.
- Make note of any material or questions that you do not understand so that you can ask questions at the start of the next class.



# Question Pool

- Chapter 10 contains all of the questions that can be on the test.
- The question pool is divided into 10 subelements with 2-5 groups in each subelement for a total of 35 groups.
- The 35 questions on the exam will consist of 1 question from each of the 35 groups.
- **Answer order will be scrambled.**



# Resources

- ARRL General Class License Manual Website:  
<http://arrl.org/general-class-license-manual>
- On-line practice tests:  
<http://aa9pw.com/radio/general>  
<http://eham.net/exams>  
<http://radioqth.net/exams.aspx>  
<http://qrz.com>
- Practice test software.



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## General License Class

# Chapter 1 Introduction



## The General Class License & Amateur Radio

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Highest license class.
- Access to more amateur frequencies.
- More communications options.
- New technical opportunities.
- More fun.



## General Class Overview

- Getting Your General License
  - Pass 35-question written exam -- Element 2.
    - Current (or expired less than 2 years) Technician license gives credit for Element 2.
    - Expired General or Advanced class license gives credit for Elements 3.
  - Pass 35-question written exam -- Element 3.
    - Technician class license issued prior to March 21, 1987, gives credit for both Elements 2 & 3.



## General Class Overview

- Eligible for 1x3 call sign.
  - May choose any available 1x3 or 2x3 call sign.
  - May choose to keep current call.
- Introduction to HF operations.
  - Technician class licensees primarily focus on VHF & UHF operations.
  - General class licensees focus on HF and advanced modes.



## How to Use the Book

- Web site URL's will be in **bold** print.
- Important words or phrases will be in *italics*.
- Sidebars contain interesting information or tell how current material relates to amateur radio.
- Throughout each chapter, there will be **blue** boxes with lists of question numbers. Go to the back of the book & review those questions. Write down any questions you have trouble with.



## VE Testing Process

- Candidate attends VE Exam Session.
- Candidate fills out application (NCVEC Form 605).
- Team of 3 Volunteer Examiners (VE's) administer exam.
- VE Team grades examination & informs candidate of result.
  - If pass, candidate can start using new privileges immediately.
- VE Team forwards session paperwork to VEC for processing.



## Questions?





# **Next Week**

## **Chapter 2**

### **Procedures & Practices**

## **Chapter 6**

### **Digital Modes**