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While having a Lifetime Amateur Radio License seems like a good idea (and would be convenient for me as I have three family members and two club call licenses to worry about), there are a few things to be worked out.

1. Address updates. Licensees should be forced to reconfirm their postal mailing addresses on a regular basis. I'd suggest once every five years. They should also be able to add an email address so a reminder to them to do this could be automated. Sending the reminder by email would reduce postage costs for the FCC.

2. Death updates, especially to release valuable 1x2 calls for reuse. Perhaps a Social Security Account Number should be mandatory, so that SSAN death records can be linked from the Social Security Administration to the FCC to automatically cancel a license after first sending an email notice that the license is about to be cancelled.

I'm sure both of these things could easily be done.

Thanks for the consideration.

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