

I am a qualified volunteer examiner (VE) for W5YI and ARRL VEC's, and Extra class licensee in the Amateur Radio Service.

Regarding classes of license, I favor the three license classes, Tech, General, and Extra, for simplicity, ease of record keeping, incentive, and appropriate use of the available frequencies.

Regarding disposition of Novice bands, I agree with the FCC recommendation.

Regarding the Tech Plus license, I feel that it should be phased out, keeping the Technician license as a code-free entry to VHF bands. Morse Code endorsement via CSCE of a Morse code test could allow use of HF bands.

Regarding Advanced class operators as VE's, I agree with the FCC recommendation.

Regarding Morse Code requirements, I favor the ARRL recommendation of 5 wpm for General Class and 12 wpm for Extra Class.

I have no comment on the other items in the docket. Thank you for the opportunity to contribute.

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