

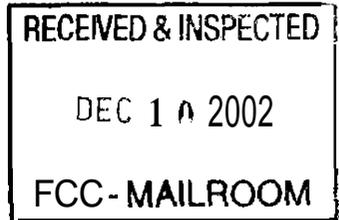
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Dear Secretary:

Enclosed you find the required original and the number of required copy's as per the information I have.

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This request for a Rule Making Docket Number is submitted in the best form that I can do at present having limited communications "H" problems, so I hope it meets the need requirements.

The basic requirements for format & content I suspect have been complied with I suspect. If you should have any questions please feel free to communicate.

Thanks

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Dale Reich

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**Before The
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PETITION FOR RULE CHANGE

Petitioner)
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Changes Requested in Part 97 Amateur Radio Service:

The Commission for a short period of time issued "Color" other than the standard Federal Gold Water Marked licenses due to a paper order mix up at the Gettysburg Operation.

This sudden change had both positive and negative comments, however it did strike up an interest that the Commission could have some positive and administrative effects on the issuance of Ham Radio Licenses.

The first comment that I monitored was to the effect that would it be nice if the FCC color code the various classes of ham licenses in the future.

I suggest an Administrative Rule Change that would be a positive image maker in the eyes of the general ham radio community.

The internal administrative rules would be changed at the FCC licensing center to color code the original FCC license issued. Under this rule the commission could use any color of paper to issue licenses on a temporary basis when shipment or stocking problems exist. This would also include the cheap white paper stock.

However under this administrative change the FCC would normally issue Color Coded Amateur Radio Licenses.

"Blue" would normally be reserved for the "Extra" Class + [Advanced Class Also]
"Federal Gold" would normally be reserved for the "General Class"
"Red" would normally be reserved for the "Technician Class"

The current federal "White" stock would be issued for all other classes, Novice / Club and Non US Citizens or Non US Residents.

There is no real advantage to this, however the FCC could make advantage to this by only printing each class of ham license issued once a week. That is only one class of licensee would be issued & printed on the same day of the week.

Because the FCC uses the same printer to issue other service licenses that could be printed on the various formats of color paper.

By color coding the future licensees it would give a direct advantage in the field of Ham Radio Events knowing the Station Operator's Class. This would also be an advantage in VE exam testing in the field to see the class of previous operator's license. There may also be additional protection advantage the very limited or few fake licenses in the past that have been passed off to local officials in Emergency Management, or Local Civil Defense Communications. It is my understanding that some local civil defense operations have asked lower class operators

› exceed their current authorized licenses in practice drills. Color Coding would be a aid
i local officials to find the right class of operators.

perhaps another color coding format would work better, **It is** requested that the Commission
consider the issue of Color Coding some FCC licenses for better in the field use.

is suggested that the above changes not be set in stone for this request, as any input from the
public and the greater ham community. It is a suggestion that a change be made in the format
and color.

So the Commission the suggested color involved are the same colors in the FCC own logo
red /White / Blue & Federal Gold the colors of of the federal government and the U.S.A.

Respectfully Submitted,

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