

The current licensing structure has been working well for the past few years without problem. The idea of eliminating the code test due to obsolesence is an untrue and nonfactual statement. The CW Mode itself is the second most popular mode in the amateur radio service.

The individuals proposing these changes are working to another agenda and not to the betterment of the amateur radio service as a whole.

This service needs more qualified and experienced operators and not more "numbers" of operators. The ARRL proposed Novice license is also not in the best interest of the service.

Please, retain the CW code testing and licensing structure in place. Those wishing to upgrade to a higher class license can easily pass the written and simple code test if effort and determination is applied.