

To whom it may concern:

I am an amateur radio operator (KB3LSR) and am commenting with regards to your proposal to drop the Morse Code (CW) requirements for High Frequency (HF) operating privileges. I have already passed my General theory written test but cannot operate in this new mode simply because I cannot learn Morse Code easily. I do not see the relevance of requiring extended knowledge of a specific mode of transmission in order to use phone transmissions.

A special test is not required for packet or other digital modes. Morse Code is no longer required by the international community, so why are we still behind the times? I do agree that it should be required to hold an Amateur Extra license, but I do not feel it should be required for general HF privileges.

If there are any questions regarding this comment, please get back to me at:

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