

I support the deletion of the morse requirement for the General and Extra classes. I have designed and developed military communications and ELINT systems for much of my 20 years as an engineer and have never needed morse. I don't want to spend the time to learn something which I will never need. Perhaps some bandwidth should be set aside for CW only and the morse classification still required? I don't want to banish CW operators, but for all the relevance it has to most people you could just as well have a French or Latin requirement as morse. The electrical/electronic engineering aspects of the tests already raise the bar high enough to ensure that operators are able to grasp the proper operation of their equipment.