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SandraLyn Bailey

From: Dave Thompson [thomd78@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, October 02, 2006 10:56 AM
To: KJMWEB
Subject: Comments to the Chairman

Dave Thompson (thomd78@hotmail.com) writes:

what is going on with the initiative to drop morse code requirements for some grades of amatuer radio licenses, I have been trying to learn code for 20 years and because of hearing problems I cannot disseminate the code. so.. can you tell me anything new?

sincerely
Dave Thompson

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From: Tom T. [goodenbed@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, September 29, 2006 7:50 AM
To: Robert McDowell
Subject: What is the hold up??

Hi..

..Thanks for taking the time to read this enail.. I have a question...What, in the name of all that is Holy, is going on with the FCC's proposal to eliminate morse code fom Amateur Radio exams?...The FCC proposed to do it A YEAR & A HALF AGO...I understand that certain things take time....but a year & a half..& that's so far?...Why is the FCC dragging it's feet on this matter...why don't they just do it & be done with it..This causes more & more concern the longer it drags...What's the hold up..or what are you afraid of?

Thank you for your time,

Tom

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From: Daniel Wade Jr [d_wadejr4512@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, September 24, 2006 2:45 PM
To: KJMWEB
Subject: Comments to the Chairman

Daniel Wade Jr (d_wadejr4512@yahoo.com) writes:

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Dear Chairman Martin:

My name is Daniel and i would like to comment on the morse code docket 05-235 that has been sitting at the FCC since July 2005. As a ham radio license holder for over 10 years (N3WRH) i would like to see action on this issue. This issue going yes or no is a big impact on the ham radio community. As a paramedic in my area and responding to the Hurricanes in New Orleans area last year, i took my Icom 706 down with me in the ambulance and being a tech with a general theory credit that i recieved i could only talk on VHF and not HF. This did not help much due to the nets, and Red cross etc that was on HF. I do not believe at all the doing away with the morse code would be bad for ham radio, infact in emergencies when the normal lines are down more hams would be great. I would like to see action on this issue, i have contacted the Pennsylvania Senstors, my governor, and PA district 12 rep. to see if they would help on this issue of docket 05-235. I would like to see the docket come out with a report and order

Thanks for Listening,
Daniel Wade Jr
N3WRH

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From: Paul Hirsch [pauleni@adelphia.net]
Sent: Saturday, September 23, 2006 12:05 PM
To: KJMWEB
Subject: Comments to the Chairman

Paul Hirsch (pauleni@adelphia.net) writes:

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Dear Chairman Martin,
On behalf of the untold number of amateur radio operators, like myself, that hold a technicians ticket I urge you to eliminate the Telegraphy Element Morse code requirement for advanced licensing. I am very active with the emergency services in my community (Florida) and would very much like to be able to take advantage of the increased range and access to other frequencies granted to higher levels of technical and operational ability.

I have a Doctorate in Education and have no difficulty, whatsoever, with the rules, regulations and technology necessary for license advancement. I am, however, completely tone deaf and after many months of studying still find it impossible to differentiate between a "Dit" and a "Dah".

With modern computer technology and satellite voice communication CW is completely unnecessary and is thinning the ranks of amateur radio operators as the old guard passes on. Newer Hams no longer see the need for spending the time and energy to learn an obsolete form of communication.

Again, I urge you to quickly eliminate this requirement so that higher licenses can be granted to those radio amateurs that can demonstrate expertise in the operational skills necessary in today's real world.

Thank you for your kind attention,

Paul Hirsch
WI4QEX

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From: Tom Hawman [kc0sus@yahoo.com]
Sent: Sunday, September 17, 2006 3:18 PM
To: KJMWEB
Subject: Isn't it time for the MORSE CODE requirement to be dropped?

All I want is access to high frequency for digital modes. By digital, I mean computer based, not morse code with dots and dashes.
If morse code was easy to learn as many claim, I would have done it back in the 60's. I have an attention span deficit and can not concentrate for long periods of times. I have passed the written exams for general and extra, BUT the morse code requirement keeps me from broadcasting.
Just some thoughts for someone to consider and maybe pass on to to someone who can do something.

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Thanks...Tom Hawman KCOSUS

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From: DARRELL BRATCHER [KF4DSS@JUNO.COM]
Sent: Thursday, September 14, 2006 11:07 AM
To: KJMWEB
Subject: Comments to the Chairman

ORIGINAL

DARRELL BRATCHER (KF4DSS@JUNO.COM) writes:

WHY IS IT TAKEING SO LONG FOR THE FCC TO DROP
THE CODE ALL THE OTHER COUNTRYS HAVE WHY THE USA DOSE NOT I HAVE KNOW I DEAL. WHAT IS
TAKING SO LONG , I LOOK AT ALL THE FILES AND THE MORJORTY WONT TH CODE TO BE GONE . IF WE
DONT THERE WILL BE NO YOUNG HAMS LIFT . THEY JUIST DONT SEE THE RESON FOR IT .BUT I TRYED
TAKING IT 12 TIMES STUDY IT FOR SIX MONTHS AND I CANT PASS 5 WORDS A MIN BUT I CAN PASS
THE WRITTEN EXAM SO DO YOU KNOW WHEN FCC MY DO SO THNAKS KF4DSS DARRELL BRATCHER

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From: David VanWickler [kb1hff@fairpoint.net]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2006 6:38 PM
To: Michael Copps
Subject: Dear Commissioner Copps:

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As the Commissioner of the United States Federal Communications Commission, could you please explain to me a licensed amateur radio person with the Tech No Code license for the past six years why our country is going to be the last in the modern world to do away with the Morse code requirement to obtaining an amateur radio license above the Tech No Code license? From what I have read on the internet, there was a world conference held in January of 2003 where all of the communications commissions of the known world agreed to drop the Morse Code as a testing requirement for obtaining the higher classed amateur radio licenses that provide priveleges on the hf and warc bands as well? So once again, why is the USA going to be last in dropping the Morse Code requirements from its tests for obtaining amateur radio licenses above the Tech No Code license?

Sincerely yours;

David VanWickler Jr.

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Sandra Lyn Bailey

From: Stan Young [wg4ray@pecanpi.com]
Sent: Wednesday, September 13, 2006 6:34 PM
To: KJMWEB
Subject: Comments to the Chairman

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Stan Young (wg4ray@pecanpi.com) writes:

ORIGINAL

Dear Commissioner Martin,

I'm surprised to find that repeated letters and emails to your office have not resulted in the courtesy of a reply.

Is the Commission EVER going to take action on WT Docket 04-140 and WT Docket 05-235? So many countries have already taken steps to reform their Amateur Radio procedures; we seem to be lagging behind. Two years after WT04 we haven't done anything, and WT07 planning is well under way.

It is time, sir. I know bureacracies have their own schedules, but both 04-140 and 05-235 should have been out of the gate a LONG time ago.

Sincerely,

Stan Young
3745 Jamestown Court
Doraville, GA 30340

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SandraLyn Bailey

From: K7VINNY@aol.com
Sent: Monday, September 11, 2006 12:54 PM
To: KJMWEB
Subject: chairman Martin

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Mr. Martin,

Today is 9/11 and 5 years ago we suffered our worst attack in our Country and as you know last year with Hurricane Katrina we suffered one of our worst natural disasters .I am witting you because there has been no action taken as far as dropping the code. As you know the need for first responders in our Country is a priority.To get to the point sir is we need to revive amateur radio, we need to get new people involved . As you know most people within ham radio are from our greatest generation and we are losing them.

There are thousands of people like me that have disabilities weather they are dyslexic have suffered small strokes or other problems that make it impossible for them to pass morse.code. I have studied the code for over a year and can't get my brain and hands to complete the task . I have systemic Lupus and had a small stoke that makes it impossible for me to pursue my dreams of being a real ham.

Thousands of people like me are being discriminated against because of a mode that even the FCC SAYS IN THIS DAY AND AGE IS NOT NESSARY.

I feel humiliated that I am denied something because of my disability, I feel that other hams look down on people like myself I have heard on the air waves that people that can't pass this out dated mode are dummies. People like me study hard and have passed the General written and should no longer be denied .Please make this letter I send you a offical protest based on all people with disabilities.Please do not delay in changing this I am not healthy and would like to practice my service and hobby without discrination.

thank you,

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SandraLyn Bailey

From: George Cronk [gcronk3@juno.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 05, 2006 12:24 PM
To: KJMWEB
Subject: Comments to the Chairman

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George Cronk (gcronk3@juno.com) writes:

Is there any way the FCC can speed up a decision on the elimination of morse code for ham licences? Thank you.

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SandraLyn Bailey

From: Michael L Cline [mikecline@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Monday, September 04, 2006 7:11 PM
To: KJMWEB
Subject: Comments to the Chairman

Michael L Cline (mikecline@bellsouth.net) writes:

TO: FCC Chairman, Kevin J. Martin
 FCC Commissioners, Copps, Adelstein, Tate, McDowell
 FROM: Michael L Cline, KI4MHA
 DATE: 09/04/2006
 SUBJECT: WT Docket 05-235 (removal of Morse Code as license requirement)

ORIGINAL

First let me thank you for your time in this matter. I know that your time is important to you just as mine is to me.

I am requesting that the FCC take action on WT Docket 05-235, and remove the requirement for the 5 WPM Morse Code test on Amateur Radio licenses.

I am new to Amateur Radio. While I was interested in it 20+ years ago (late 70's early 80's) I did not get involved due to the "Code" requirement. Learning the "code" takes a lot of time, and I just didn't have the time then. I found out in late 2005 that the code was no longer required for a Technician license and was able to obtain a Technician license in October that year. While studying for that test I was advised that the FCC would most likely drop the "code" requirement soon.

I got into Amateur Radio because I enjoy talking long distance to people across the US. I enjoy talking with another operator somewhere 200 to 1000 or more miles away. Exchanging information, as to radios, antennas and such, or just talking, then sending out a QSL card (confirming the radio contact) and getting one back from that operator, this is in my mind GREAT.

With a Technician license I am able to work the 6 meter band when it is open and do just what I enjoy. However the 6 meter band is not open that often. When 6 meters is not open I tune into the HF frequencies and listen to the General and Extra class licensed operators. It sounds like they are having a great time, and have friends across the US that they have never seen but know by their voice only on the radio. This is what I want to do on the Amateur Radio bands. I do not want to operate with Morse Code in any way.

I have taken and passed the written part of the General amateur license to enable me to operate on HF, and I'm now waiting for you, the FCC to take action on WT Docket 05-235 and drop the code. I have tried to study for the Morse Code test. I have the ARRL tape, "Your Introduction to Morse Code" I have bought CD's off e-bay that help you learn the code. I have bought a CD titled "rhythm of the code" and have downloaded several programs such as "just learn Morse Code". I have, for the past several months tried to study for the "code" test. Anyone that has said that they were able to learn Morse Code in 10 to 20 minutes a day for 2 to 3 weeks is not telling the entire truth. They for sure did not have to work 8 to 10 hours a day, take their 10 year old step son to Football, Baseball, Band practice Monday - Friday every afternoon, and try and keep the yard work, and other work at the house up. All this while in the back of my mind knowing that you, (the FCC) are going to drop the code requirement.

Again I know your time is important to you, just as mine is to me. I am asking that you take the action that you have said that you were going to and drop the Morse Code requirement for Amateur Radio License.

Thanks in advance
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