

I do not believe that there is any reason to reopen the proceedings in regards to the R&O 05-235. My personal belief is that if you are going to require proficiency to be demonstrated in one mode then why not demonstrate it for all modes. I am not insisting that CW or morse code as it is commonly referred to is obsolete. I am merely stating that it is incorrect to assume that because a person knows morse code, then they are better operators. The written tests are sufficient enough to determine a persons qualifications to operate a radio set. It should be up to the local amateur radio community to insure that new operators are properly trained and mentored. This is the only way to insure that quality operators are being trained to provide communications in emergency situations and that proper radio operating procedures are followed.