

Regarding PRM12WT

To Whom It May Concern:

I have been a licensed amateur radio operator for well over 30 years. When I looked to purchase land for a new home, I put in my offer to purchase/contract a clause that stated that there would be no restrictions on amateur radio antennas. We subsequently agreed on a "reasonable accommodation" of 1 tower and submission of sketches to the home owner's association for review and comment. They did not have approval/disapproval authority but could make suggestions. It worked well.

However, it seems impossible to move to a reasonable location and expect a reasonable accommodation today. Everything seems to be geared to commercial interests (satellite TV, broadcast TV, internet broadband, etc.). Most seem to have forgotten that many of the technologies which are commercially available were the results of amateur radio experimentation and development.

At times, I have been a point of local communications during hurricanes and other disasters. Most have been related to job assignments away from home, but I have been able to assist from Puerto Rico, Biloxi MS, Boca Raton FL, as well as home. At times, I was the only means of communication for days or weeks.

Expanding the application of the rules to include Amateur Radio on a formal basis makes good sense and serves the public as well as the operator.

Sincere Regards,

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