

Encryption of phone, data, and image transmissions within the Amateur Radio Service (ARS) can be easily supported, with restrictions:

1. No encrypted transmissions can cross national borders. That is, relay stations and communication end-points must remain within the United States and its territories, or between USA registered maritime and aviation stations.
2. Encrypted transmissions are restricted to 23 centimeter and shorter wavelengths.
3. All encrypted transmissions must use a club station license, and any officer must approve in writing, and log the actual operation schedule history in the club minutes, at least monthly.
4. Any public encryption standard may be used, and can be either software or hardware based. Encryption hardware devices designed for military use shall not be used within the ARS.

Respectfully submitted,
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