



Hamfesters Radio Club

AMATEUR RADIO TECHNICIAN COURSE

INTRO

January 20, 2021

CRESTWOOD, IL

COURSE DETAILS

- **The course is designed for new ham radio operators who wish to get their entry level technician amateur license.**
 - **The Technician license authorizes you to operate all VHF and UHF frequencies and select HF (3 to 30 MHz) frequencies**
 - **Course begins on January 20 and ends on Feb 17, on Wednesday evenings 7 pm to 9 pm (5 sessions)**
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CLASS DATES

We commence on **Wednesday evenings** at 7 pm beginning January 20th and will last approximately 2 hours. The 5 session course will end on February 17th.

The study guide is the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) License Manual, 4th Edition. You are responsible to obtain your copy since we have no good way to procure them for you. The manual is **required** for the course.

The manual can be ordered from the ARRL, Amazon, or HamRadio Outlet. We recommend the wire spiral-bound version.

Links to order the required manual:

ARRL: <http://www.arrl.org/shop/>

Amazon: <https://www.amazon.com>

HamRadio Outlet: <https://www.hamradio.com/search.cfm>

PRESENTATION MEDIA

- The course schedule can be found here: <https://k9acm.net/tech-course/>
- Study guide is the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) License Manual, 4th edition. This may be obtained at good book store or here:
 - ARRL:** <http://www.arrl.org/shop/>
 - Amazon:** <https://www.amazon.com>
 - HamRadio Outlet:** <https://www.hamradio.com/search.cfm>

The ARRL License Manual is required. Cost is approximately \$30.00. You must order the book your self since we have no way to deliver it to you.

PRESENTATION MEDIA

- **As you may have guessed we will be using “Jitsi”, a virtual broadcast media similar to Zoom, but more cost effective.**

Link to Android App: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=org.jitsi.meet&hl=en_US&gl=US

Link to Apple Store: <https://apps.apple.com/kn/app/jitsi-meet/id1165103905>

Website for everything else: <https://meet.jit.si/>

- **Notice: Jitsi is available from your favorite IOS or Android store - this will save your typing the above URL.**
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CORRESPONDENCE

- **Correspond with us and others via the [groups.io](#) reflector:**

Go to course web page and sign in on the [K9ACM web page](#)

Once you find us, click on “Follow this topic”

- **Use this forum to ask questions and follow the answers. The instructors will monitor the forum and for simple answers, reply there. Longer answers will trigger follow up discussion during the following online session.**
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CONTACT US

- Use the groups.io forum for questions requiring shorter answers.
 - Your instructors/moderators are Mike McGuire, K9ACM and Brian Davis, W9HLQ
email for personal questions: **Mike:** k9acm@arrl.net or **Brian:** w9hlq@hamfesters.org
 - Be courteous and notify us if you withdraw from the class - thanks.
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EXAM PRACTICE SITES

Test your knowledge before you take the test

HamExam: [hamexam.org](https://www.hamexam.org)

Mometrix: <https://www.mometrix.com/academy/ham-radio-technician-class/>

eHam: <https://www.eham.net/exams/>

ARRL: <http://arrlexamreview.appspot.com>

VE TEST SITES

When ready you can take your VE test at one of the places listed below:

Hamfesters Radio Club - [https://www.hamfesters.org/main/ve-testing/testing begins in March](https://www.hamfesters.org/main/ve-testing/testing%20begins%20in%20March)

PARC (Auburn University) - <https://parcradio.org/pages/online.html>
Online VE test

ARRL: <http://www.arrl.org/find-an-amateur-radio-license-exam-session>
search for VE test site in your area

TECHNICIAN PREP COURSE

See you on Jitsi on Wednesday Jan 20th!

