

Upcoming May 2024 Technician Amateur Radio Class

Interested in ham radio? Are you looking to use radio as a means of off-grid communications and in the event of an emergency? Ham radio is a good fit for many situations — including that you are just interested in communications and electronics. The Lake Washington Ham Club instructors will be conducting a Spring 2024 Amateur Radio Technician class for the purposes of preparing you to earn your entry-level FCC Technician class ham radio license.

There is no charge for the class itself but there is a cost for the Technician-class study web service located at http://www.hamtestonline.com (~\$30). There is also a \$10 exam fee to take the license exam and a \$35 application fee from the FCC.

Class facilities provided by the City of Redmond, Office of Emergency Management.

Where:

All sessions will be held at Redmond City Hall, Conference Center Room A/B, 15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond WA and online using Zoom. It is the student's option as to which format they would prefer. We recommend in-person.

When:

- 1. Classes run on six Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.
- Session dates are May 20, 22, 28 (day later because of Memorial Day), May 29, Jun 3, 5
- 3. The exam session and an optional "How to choose a radio" session will be scheduled based on the student's plans after the class.

Each of the training sessions include hands-on work with radios, demos and "nets" with students operating the radios.

Class size is limited to 25 persons so if interested, please register early. Students are urged to sign up as soon as possible for the study service http://www.hamtestonline.com to become familiar with the exam format. Feel free to self-study early and get tested. We can advise you how to locate in-person and online testing facilities. Just drop us an email.

To enroll, please contact Ron Poole KF7YHQ, email: snwbird1111@gmail.com or via phone at: 425-625-2112

There is no age limit to getting a ham radio license. Kids are welcome to take the course along with their family members. Ham radio is a great family activity.

Depending on availability, existing ham radio operators are welcome to audit the class as a refresher. If so, please include your call sign as part of your enrollment information.

For additional information on ham radio and getting licensed:

http://www.arrl.org/what-is-ham-radio