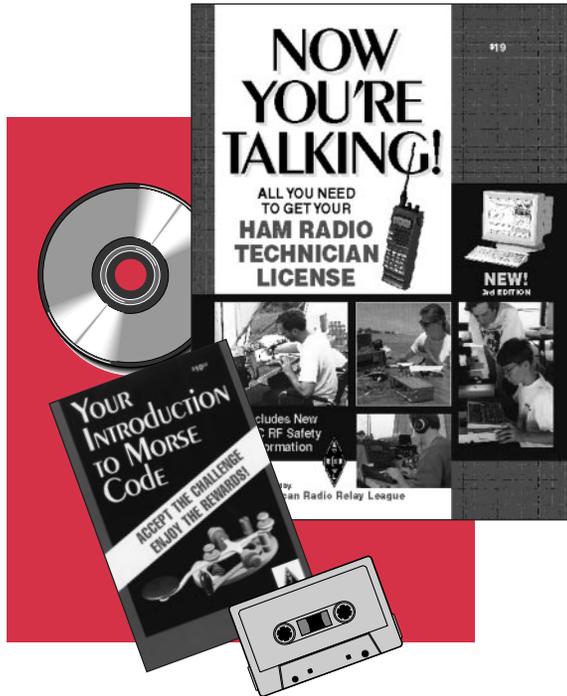


## How Do I Get Started?

Now You're Talking, produced by the American Radio Relay League, contains all you need to know to pass your Novice or Technician license exams.

Exams, given by volunteer hams in your area, cover basic electricity and on-the-air operating rules. The Technician exam DOESN'T include a Morse code test. ARRL also has Morse code-learning tapes, CDs and computer programs for the Novice exam.



Or getting your ham radio license just became easier with the complete ARRL Technician Class Exam (video) Course. Six fun hours of fast-moving video covers everything you need to ace your exam and get your license. Contact ARRL for details.

If you prefer not to study on your own, you may choose to enroll in a licensing course. Many Amateur Radio clubs offer courses through local adult education programs. Instructors enjoy teaching, and often only charge for the cost of a study guide.

TO FIND OUT MORE,  
SEND THIS TO:

**ARRL**  
225 Main Street  
Newington, CT 06111-1494

Please mail:

- More information about Amateur Radio
- Names of Amateur Radio instructors and clubs
- Details on study guides for getting my license
- More information about ARRL

My name and address:

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Or Call Toll-Free 1-800-32-NEW HAM (800-326-3942), or fax 860-594-0259 or e-mail [newham@arrl.org](mailto:newham@arrl.org) to ask for FREE package "E2".

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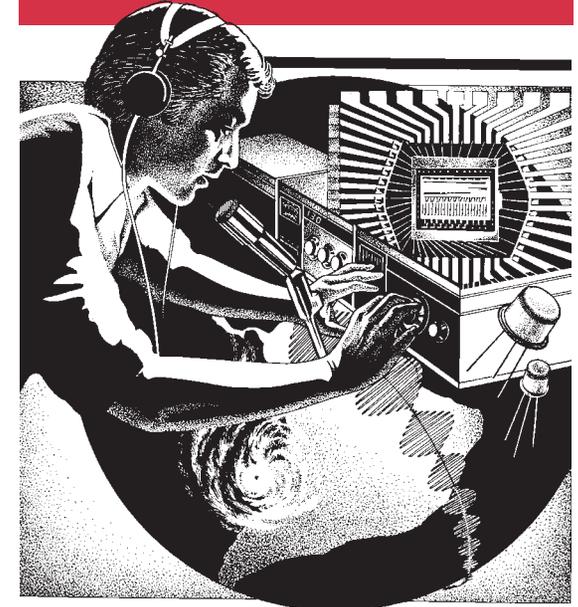
Or contact your area Amateur Radio club—

### ARRL

The American Radio Relay League, founded in 1914, is a non-profit organization that represents US hams in government and public relations matters. ARRL prints a monthly journal, QST, plus many ham radio books. ARRL provides services to its members, such as low-cost insurance for radio equipment, on-the-air operating awards, and support to volunteers who use ham radio to help in emergencies.



# Ham Radio



## ...Today and Into the Future

"High tech" is today's buzzword.

It's everywhere. You use your computer and cordless phone at home and work.

You can accomplish almost anything at just the push of a button! The pace has quickened to the point that we often forget to take time to just relax.



We'd like to introduce you to a hobby that combines the gadgetry we've come to love with taking time out to have fun. Amateur Radio, a multifaceted hobby of personal enjoyment and accomplishment, is great fun!

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## Who are Amateur Radio operators, or Hams?

Anyone can become an Amateur Radio operator, or "ham"—no matter what age, gender or physical ability. People from all walks of life pass the entry level Amateur Radio exams. Your whole family can have fun together as radio amateurs.

## Ham Radio at home or on the go

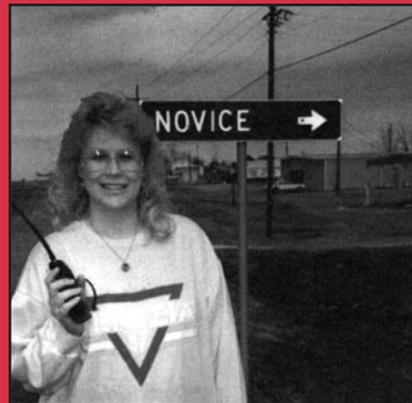
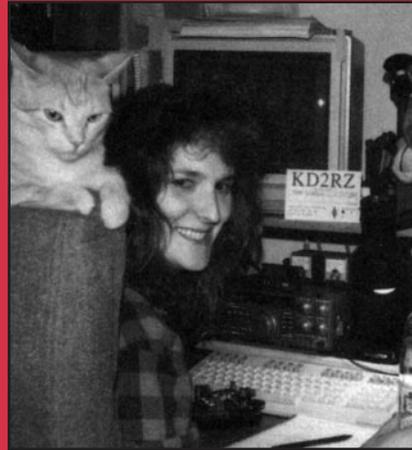
Amateur Radio operators make hundreds of new friends across town and around the world. You'll discover the culture and history of places you've only dreamed about.

You can communicate from the top of a mountain, your home or behind the wheel of your car! You can take a radio with you wherever you go.

## Ham Radio... something for everyone

In times of disaster, when regular communication channels fail, hams swing into action, sometimes saving lives, and find it very rewarding.

As with most hobbies, you have a multitude of choices about how much time and money you invest. You can contact another continent using the simplest radio setup and antenna. Your radio station can occupy an entire room or can be held in your hand.



## Amateur Radio and Today's Technology

Today's technology allows hams to link computers to their radio equipment. You can send messages to, and receive messages from friends, or go to bulletin boards. The radio takes the place of the modem.

Another sophisticated aspect, ham satellites, allows you to relay your signal from continent to continent. Some ham stations communicate by bouncing signals off the moon and even off meteor trails!

Does the Space Program interest you? Ham astronauts take radios with them on shuttle missions and thrill thousands of hams on earth with a call from space!

You can always find something new to learn and fun to do because Amateur Radio provides a never-ending series of discoveries.

