

To: The Manager
Spectrum Licensing Policy Section
Australian Communications and Media Authority
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Re: Review of non-assigned amateur and outpost regulatory arrangements – consultation 01/2021

Dear Spectrum Licensing Policy Section Manager,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Review of Non-assigned Amateur and Outpost Regulatory Arrangements – Consultation 01/2021; and I have considered the options under review, the WIA's response, RASA's response and considered how similar licencing has been implemented around the world.

The WIA and RASA have highlighted a many points that are important to the Amateur Radio community, and while I believe some points do have merit (see dot points below), I support moving Amateur Radio to a Class Licence.

The "Radiocommunications (Amateur Radio Stations) Class Licence 2021" is an excellent **first step**, as long as the ACMA keeps in the spirit of "preserving the current operational utility for licensees".

Therefore, **I support Option C, with the below caveats:**

- Interference management with no disadvantage to either party,
- Specifying that Amateur Radio licencees are able to self certify own built equipment to emission regulations,
- EME regulations that are compatible with the hobby aspect of Amateur Radio,
- Enabling the use of the option to use EIRP as an *alternative* to pX or pY when transmitter power does not make sense (ie. 472KHz, 137kHz),
- Callsign management that aligns with international best practice and
- Clear protection for primary allocations.

Yours sincerely

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