
Volunteer Monitor Program Report

The Volunteer Monitor (VM) Program is a joint initiative between ARRL and the FCC to enhance compliance in the Amateur Radio Service. This is the December 2024 activity report of the VM Program.

A commendation was issued to an amateur in Simpsonville, South Carolina, for exceptional operating skills and courtesy on 7.210 MHz in October 2024. A commendation was issued to an operator in Etna, Wyoming, for exceptional net control operation and courtesy in the Wyoming Cowboy Net meeting on 3.923 MHz in September 2024.

Technician-class operators in Mississippi, Maine, and Florida received advisories for FT8 operation on 20 meters. Technicians have no operating privileges on 20 meters.

Operators in Louisiana and Arizona received advisories for operation with expired licenses.

A Technician-class operator in Texas received an advisory for FT8 operation on 17 meters. Technicians have no operating privileges on 17 meters.

A Technician-class operator in Florida received an advisory concerning FT8 operation on 15 meters. Technicians have only CW privileges on 15 meters.

An operator in Ohio received an advisory for extended transmissions on 40 meters with no FCC-required identification.

An operator in Virginia received an advisory for deliberate interference and harassment on 3.933 MHz in October 2024 and was advised of the FCC forfeiture amounts for such operation. The operator was also advised that such operation would be an issue in any license renewal proceeding.

There were two case referrals from the FCC to the Volunteer Monitor Program, and there was one FCC meeting regarding interference.

The totals for November 2024 monitoring were 1,527 hours on HF frequencies, and 1,835 hours on VHF frequencies and above, for a total of 3,362 hours. — *Thanks to Volunteer Monitor Program Administrator Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH*