## Free Amateur Radio (HAM) Training Courses





## Two Free Amateur Radio Courses Nov 2 and Nov 9, 2024

<u>Technician Class License</u> (entry level) 9:30 AM to 1:15 PM both Saturdays (bring your own lunch) <u>General Class License</u> 1:30 PM to 5:00 PM both Saturdays

## The FCC tests will be 10:00 AM to noon on Nov 16, 2024

Whether for emergency communication, communicating around the world, or learning a bit about electronics, there's nothing else like amateur radio (also known as "ham radio"). Amateur radio operators have long provided communications "when all else fails" during disasters. With a short course they can join over 710,000 men women and children in the United states from all walks of life who are license to operate ham radios. At the start of the Technician license course, a member of the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club will give a 30-minute presentation on <u>what ham radio is all</u> about and what the many benefits of being a "ham" are.

The class location is: Fred Hesse Community Park, 29301 Hawthorne Blvd., Rancho Palos Verdes,

CA 90275. Confirm your attendance to Walt, K1DFO at waltfordway@juno.com

Walt charges <u>no fee</u> for either/both course(s). Taking the FCC test is \$15. After passing the Technician test the FCC will send you an e-mail for paying its \$35 license fee and then they will assign you your amateur radio call sign... and you're good to go!

<u>Optional Materials (sold at cost)</u> Gordon West books with all the FCC test questions, \$30 for the Technician and \$33 for the General. Paper copy of Walt's class Power Point charts: \$29 for the Technician and \$26 for the General.

Everyone who obtains their first ham radio license through a PVARC VE test session, regardless of age, will receive a <u>free membership</u> in the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club for the remainder of the current calendar year.

For courses sponsored by the Palos Verdes Amateur Radio Club, students through grade 12 who pass their examination at a PVARC test session will, upon application to the Club, be eligible for reimbursement for up to a maximum of \$85 to cover their cost of materials and the examination fee.