

Amateur Radio Examinations

All amateur radio examination sessions conducted by the Patoka Valley VE Team are coordinated through the [Laurel VEC](#).

- There is never any fee for taking an amateur radio examination.
- Licenses are normally uploaded to the FCC the next business day following the test session.
- Pre-registration for an examination session is preferred, but walk-ins are accepted.
- You **MUST** have an FCC Registration Number (FRN) before you arrive at the examination session.
 - *If you currently hold an amateur radio license or any other license issued by the FCC (GMRS, GRO, etc.), then you already have an FRN.*
 - *NOTE: if you have an FRN that begins with the digits 213, then it is a Restricted Use FRN and cannot be used for an amateur radio license application. You must apply for, and be issued, a regular FRN.*

[HOW TO GET AN FRN ONLINE](#)

[APPLY FOR AN FRN ONLINE](#)

The FCC charges an application fee of \$35 for each application to

- Apply for a new amateur radio license
- Apply for renewal of an existing license
- Apply for a call sign change

You pay this fee directly to the FCC after the application has been uploaded to the FCC for processing.

[HOW TO PAY THE APPLICATION FEE \(GO TO THE CORES WEBSITE\)](#)

There is no fee to upgrade your current license to a higher class or to change your contact information (name, address, e-mail address, or phone number).

Quarterly Examination Sessions

Regularly-scheduled amateur radio examination sessions are held at 10:00 a.m.

The schedule of quarterly examination sessions will be

- **November 9, 2024**
- **February 8, 2025**
- **May 10, 2025**
- **August 16, 2025**
- **November 8, 2025**

Registering for a session ahead of time will allow some of your paperwork to be prepared in advance and will speed up the check-in process when you arrive at the session.

All examination sessions are held at:

Jasper Public Library
Hickory Room
100 3rd Ave
Jasper, IN 47546

[Map & Driving Directions](#)

[What do I need to bring to the session?](#)

Pre-Register for Examination Sessions

If you wish to pre-register for one of these examination sessions, send an e-mail to Stephen Goins at n9pe@tutamail.com with your:

- Full name and address
- Call sign (if already licensed)
- FCC Registration Number (FRN)
- E-mail address
- Purpose for attending the session - new license, upgrade, renewal, change address, etc.
- Examination Date you would like to attend.

[Pre-registration Fillable PDF](#)