

Who is the Typical Ham?

Amateur Radio operators come from all parts of life, doctors, students, kids, truck drivers, movie stars, missionaries and even your average neighbor next door. They are of all ages, genders, income levels and nationalities.

How Much Does it Cost?

Basic study materials for passing the FCC test and getting your initial license usually cost less than \$40. There are also classes held by our club for people who want more interaction.

See www.n7ig.org/hamcram/

Once you have your first license most hams find it best to start with simple equipment and grow over time. It costs less than \$200 to get your own first radio and start talking to other hams. Many ham-radio flea markets are held all over the country that sell good used equipment for even less.

Why Do You Need a License?

The FCC created this service to fill the need for a pool of experts who could provide backup during emergencies. In addition, the FCC acknowledges the ability of the hobby to advance the communication and technical skills of radio and to enhance international goodwill.

Countless lives have been saved where skilled hobbyists act as emergency communicators to render aid, whether it's during an earthquake in Italy or a hurricane in the U.S.A.

Ready to start?

Want to know more?

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