

# K5E0K

## 2025 General Class Licensing Course

**Edmond Amateur Radio Society** 

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Location ZOOM – link to be provided E-mail class@k5eok.org

Class Hours 6:30 to 8:30 PM Tuesday nights Book Links below

and some Monday's Ordering

Welcome to the General Class Licensing Course. Earning your General class license opens up the full amateur radio experience, the excitement and challenge of traditional shortwave operation along with the VHF and limited HF privileges enjoyed by Technician class licensees. You'll gain access to the broadest and most capable set of communication privileges available to private citizens. Only Amateur Extra licensees have more.

You are about to embark on a major upgrade to your Technician license. Only ~ 25% of Amateur radio licensee are General Class. The General Class License opens up the world for communication. Passing the General Class License test demonstrates your knowledge of HF operating procedures, radio wave propagation, electrical components, practical circuits, signals/emissions, antennas and feed lines. Getting your second license has never been easier and we are here to help you do it! We will help you prepare for your 35-question exam (must answer 26 correctly) and within days of passing your exam the FCC will issue your upgrade license!

We provide a General Class License level course each year ending in the Spring. Seating is limited and therefore each participant must register online. Seating will be provided on a first-come first-served basis. To register please visit the club website at <a href="http://www.k5eok.org">http://www.k5eok.org</a> and click the "ACTIVITIES" tab and then the "GENERAL LICENSE CLASS " tab or email our class coordinator class@k5eok.org.

#### Requirements

We will use the ARRL General Class book for our course, and we do not offer books for sale. Books are easy to purchase at www.arrl.org ( <u>ARRL General Class License Manual 10th Edition</u> ). There is also a General Q&A book that may also be purchased as supporting material but not required for the course ( <u>ARRL's General Q&A 7th Edition</u>).

We also strongly recommend the use of free practice exams and flash card resources available from <a href="http://hamstudy.org">http://hamstudy.org</a>.

#### Location

Zoom Online meetings!

### When (13 week course)

Spring class will start 28 January 2025.

Tuesday nights 6:30 to 8:30 PM

Exception: Monday 10 Feb, 10 March and 7 Apr.

Another great source of information is from Dave Casler on YouTube. Dave reviews every chapter by section of the ARRL Technician class manual for free!

A quick guide to Ham Radio Licenses	
1-TECH	This is the entry license issued by the FCC. The holder of this license has full privileges to operate on the 6 meter band and above, restricted privileges on 10 meters and is very restricted on the other lower bands (as of Dec 2018)
2-GENERAL	This is the second license and is considered an "upgrade" of the Technician license. The holder of this license has all the technician privileges and less restrictions on lower frequency bands.
3-EXTRA	This is the highest license available and grants full privileges on all amateur radio bands.

Before obtaining an "upgrade", one must first pass the test for the license level below the sought-after license. Simply put, to obtain a General license, one must have successfully passed the test for the Technician license. You can attempt both or all three during one exam session.

#### Exam

We host exam sessions for all three licensed privileges every month with few exceptions.