



Falkland Islands Communications Regulator

Communications Ordinance 2017 (as amended)

Communications (Radiocommunications Licensing Procedures) Regulations 2019

Notice of Direction made by the Falkland Islands Communications Regulator addressed to those who hold or have held Falkland Island Amateur Radio Licences typically identified by call-signs with a VP8 prefix.

Pursuant to Regulation 10 Communications (Radiocommunications Licensing Procedures) Regulations 2019 the Falklands Islands Communications Regulator hereby directs and gives notice to all holders of Falkland Islands radio licences falling in the following categories:

Amateur Radio Licence Full Lifetime

Amateur Radio Licence Restricted Lifetime

where:

- (1) The licence has been granted on terms where no termination date has been specified and/or specify that the licence may be terminated on notice;
- (2) Who wish to carry on the activities permitted by their licence; and
- (3) Whose licences were not revalidated in the calendar year 2020

that they must apply to revalidate their licence by **31 Aug 21**.

Anyone seeking to revalidate a licence must complete an 'Application to Revalidate a Radio Licence' form and submit it by email to the Falklands Islands Communications Regulator on or before **13 Aug 21**.

The 'Amateur Radio Licence Application' form is available either to download from the Falklands Islands Communications Regulator's website <http://www.regulatorfi.org.fk> or in print form from:

- (1) The Post Office, Stanley, Falkland Islands; and
- (2) The General Post Office Mount Pleasant, Falkland Islands.

Please take notice that –

- (1) Any licence that is not re-validated in accordance with this direction will be deemed to have been terminated on **1 Sep 21** and in such circumstances
 - (a) The former licence holder must not carry on any of the activities that were permitted under the terminated licence; and
 - (b) If the former licence holder wishes to carry on any of the activities permitted under the terminated licence they will have to apply for a new licence.



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(2) This is the third and final opportunity to seek revalidation. The Falkland Islands Communications Regulator cannot guarantee that any particular call-sign remains available. In circumstances where revalidation is sought for a licence with a call-sign that is no longer available a new call sign will be issued.

(3) New long-term licences will only be issued to individuals who meet the appropriate residency requirements. Full details are available on Falkland Islands Communications Regulator's website.

10. Revalidation of Indeterminate Duration Licences

(1) This regulation applies where a licence is granted on terms that —
(a) do not specify an end date or duration of the licence and/or;
(b) specify that the licence may be terminated on notice by the Regulator.

(2) The Regulator may direct that any licence or category of licences falling within sub-regulation (1) must be re-validated if licence-holders wish to continue to carry on the activities permitted by their licence.

(3) Any direction given by the Regulator under sub-regulation (2) must —
(a) be both sent to all affected licence holders and published in whatever way the Regulator considers most likely to bring it to affected licence holders' attention;
(b) specify the process licence holders must follow to re-validate their licences;
and
(c) allow a reasonable period, which must not be shorter than 1 month, for licence holders to re-validate their licences.

(4) Any licence that is not re-validated in accordance with a direction from the Regulator under sub-regulation (2) is deemed to be terminated with effect from the day after the last day the revalidation period was open and —

- (a) The former licence holder must not carry on any of the activities that were permitted under the terminated licence; and
- (b) Must apply for a new licence if they wish to carry on those activities.