



Amateur Radio Qualification

Training – Assessment

2025 Information & Registration

This document provides information on gaining either your Foundation (Entry Level), Standard or Advanced level amateur radio qualification, whether you are entering amateur radio for the first time or if you already hold an amateur radio qualification and wish to upgrade to a higher level.

Over a weekend, members of The St George Amateur Radio Society (SGARS) provide training and assessments, so you can qualify to become an amateur radio operator, or upgrade your existing qualification. Training and assessments are conducted in compliance with current public health restrictions and COVID safe guidelines. For 2025 dates and locations, please refer [Upcoming and Recent Events](#) at www.sgars.org

Foundation (Entry Level) Qualification

Foundation entry level training is provided on the Saturday, which covers basic radio theory, regulations and practical setup and safe operation of an amateur radio station. Prior to attending the training, candidates will need to have studied and be familiar with the theory and regulations content for the foundation level qualification. Relevant content can be sourced from the [Foundation Manual](#) (Entry into Amateur Radio 4th Edition) which is available from the Wireless Institute of Australia and a current copy of the [Radiocommunications \(Amateur Stations\) Class Licence 2023](#) which can be downloaded from the ACMA website. A small, **non refundable** administration fee is payable to attend the Foundation entry level training.

Foundation entry level qualification theory, regulations and practical assessments are conducted on the Sunday. The assessment consists a one combined theory & regulations paper with 25 multiple-choice questions, requiring a pass mark of 70%, followed by hands-on practical assessment, requiring a **100% competency**.

Standard and Advanced Level Qualification

If you are new to amateur radio and do **NOT** have an Australian amateur radio qualification, then you will need to be assessed for amateur radio theory, regulations and practical setup and safe operation of an amateur radio station.

For the theory and regulations component, candidates will need to undertake self-study related to the appropriate [syllabus](#) and the current [Radiocommunications \(Amateur Stations\) Class Licence 2023](#) (RCL) which can be downloaded from the ACMA website.

The Standard or Advanced level qualification assessment consists a theory paper with 50 questions, and a regulations paper with 30 questions, both requiring a pass mark of 70%, followed by hands-on practical assessment, requiring a **100% competency**. If you do **NOT** feel confident to pass the practical assessment without prior training, please discuss this with the Education Officer prior to the weekend.

If you already have an Australian Foundation or Standard level amateur radio qualification, then you do **NOT** need to undertake the practical assessment. The exception, if you have a **Novice** (NAOCP) qualification, you **WILL** need to be assessed for competence in the practical component of the current syllabus.

If you already have an Australian Standard level amateur radio qualification, then you do **NOT** need to undertake the Standard / Advanced regulations assessment.

Standard and advanced level qualification assessments are available on either Saturday or Sunday, by prior arrangement with the SGARS Education Officer. All assessments are conducted by ACMA accredited assessors.

Registration

To register for either training and / or assessment, please complete the relevant section so f the following Registration Form (page 2) and return to the SGARS Education Officer, preferably in PDF format by email to education@sgars.org.

Completed registration forms and payment of training administration fee (if applicable), must be received at least 10 days prior to the date of the training & assessment weekend.



Amateur Radio Qualification Training – Assessment August 2025 Registration Form

Dates: Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th AUGUST 2025

Location: Sutherland West Scout Hall, 38 Kurrajong Street, Sutherland

Registration and payment of Fee (if applicable) closes Wednesday, 6th August 2025

Important: Please read this form in conjunction with the information sheet (Page 1)

Tell us about yourself – Please PRINT using Black Pen

Name:				Sex (M or F):	
Address:					
Suburb:				Post Code:	
Email:			Birth Date:		
Mobile Phone:			Home Phone:		
Birth Town or City:			Country of Birth:		
Do you already have an Australian qualification (Yes/No)?			Call sign?		

Which training and / or assessment do you wish to undertake? – Please use a Black Pen

New to amateur radio - Foundation (Entry Level) Qualification – Training and Assessment

- ☐ Saturday – 8am to 5pm - Foundation entry level training which covers basic radio theory, regulations and practical setup and safe operation of an amateur radio station. [Administration fee \\$20.00 applies.](#)
- ☐ Sunday – 8am to 5pm - Foundation assessment which covers basic radio theory, regulations and practical setup and safe operation of an amateur radio station

Standard or Advanced Level Qualification Assessments (Do NOT complete for Foundation Entry Level)

Please indicate your preferred day. ☐ Saturday ☐ Sunday (Depends on assessor availability)

Please indicate the assessment(s) required

No existing qualification (theory, regulations & practical): ☐ Standard level ☐ Advanced level

Upgrade from Foundation level to (theory & regulations): ☐ Standard level ☐ Advanced level

Upgrade from Foundation level to (theory only): ☐ Standard level ☐ Advanced level

Upgrade from Standard level to Advanced (theory only): ☐

Upgrade from Novice level to Advanced (theory & practical): ☐

Other (please specify): _____

I, _____ (name) of the above address, hereby confirm and certify that I will not have undertaken an assessment of the same type in the three months prior to the scheduled assessment date.

Signed: _____ Name: _____ Date: _____

Send this completed form, preferably in PDF format, by email to education@sgars.org

[Admin Use Only ☐ Confirmed training fee received]