

## What to Bring to an ARRL Exam Session:

1. One legal photo ID (identification):
  - a. State Driver's License
  - b. Government issued Passport
  - c. Military or Law Enforcement Officer Photo ID card
  - d. Student School Photo ID card
  - e. State Photo ID card
  
2. If no photo ID is available, two forms of identification:
  - a. Non-photo State ID card (some states still have them)
  - b. Birth certificate (must have the appropriate seal)
  - c. Social security card
  - d. Employer's wage statement or Minor's work permit
  - e. School ID card
  - f. School or Public Library card
  - g. Utility bill, bank statement or other business correspondence that specifically names the person; or a postmarked envelope addressed to the person at his or her current mailing address as it appears on the Form 605.
  
3. Students/minors without a photo ID need to bring only one of the above items if a legal guardian presents their photo ID; otherwise two non-photo IDs are required.  
*Minor children (under the age of 18) may be accompanied in the room by an adult during the test.*

### IMPORTANT NEW REQUIREMENT PLEASE READ

4. **FCC Registration Number (FRN):** VECs are required by the FCC to submit your FRN with your license application form. New license applicants should create an FCC user account and register their Social Security Number (SSN) in the FCC Commission Registration System (**CORES**) before attending exam sessions. Registrants will be assigned an FRN which will be used in all license transactions with the FCC. For instructions on how to register your SSN and receive an FRN from the FCC, visit the **FCC's Registration** page and the **FCC's Registration instructions** page. Per FCC rules, a valid email address is also mandatory on the application form.

**FCC's Registration instructions** <https://www.fcc.gov/new-users-guide-getting-started-universal-licensing-system-uls>

**FCC's Registration** <https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do>

5. If applicable, bring a printed copy of either your official Amateur Radio license or a reference copy available from the FCC website, or the original(s) and photocopy(s) of any Certificates of Successful Completion of Examination (CSCE) you may hold from previous exam sessions. If your license has already been issued by FCC, the CSCE showing license credit is not needed. The candidate is

require to show proof of the current license to the team but the team is no longer required to submit the proof to the VEC. Expired license proof must be submitted to the team and to the VEC for processing to FCC. These photocopies will not be returned. *Instructions on how to obtain an official FCC license copy are on our [Obtain License Copy](#) web page.*

6. Two number two pencils with erasers and a pen for in-person sessions.
7. A calculator with the memory erased and formulas cleared is allowed. You may not bring any written notes or calculations into the exam session. Slide rules and logarithmic tables are acceptable, as long as they're free of notes and formulas. Cell phone must be silenced or turned off during the exam session and the phones' calculator function may not be used. In addition, iPhones, iPads, Androids, smartphones, Blackberry devices and all similar electronic devices with a calculator capability, may NOT be used.
8. Bring a check, a money order or cash to cover the exam session fee(s). Check the ARRL VEC's current [exam fees](#).
9. Be aware that some information about you will be made publicly available on the FCC's website: [FCC Licensee Privacy](#)
10. Be sure to have the \$15.00 Exam fee at the exam session. As of April 19, 2022 the FCC is charging \$35.00 for the following: new licenses, modifications (upgrades and sequential call sign changes), renewals, and vanity call sign applications. The fee will be per application. Administrative updates: change of name, mailing address, or e-mail address are exempt from FCC fees. Pay the \$35.00 application fee directly to the FCC by using the CORES FRN Registration system ([CORES - Login](#)).