



# Amateur Radio on the International Space Station

## Report: Recent Third Party Issues

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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Party

International regulations changed at WRC-03. Only a few nations have changed their rules to reflect the new international regulations. However, the new regulations could ease interpretations of nations' telecommunications agencies.



## 3rd Party

The team worked together to write a letter about 3<sup>rd</sup> party that Larry Agabekov then got translated into the Russian language.

Next, he sent the letter to the Russian ministry of telecommunications.

Larry reports that the initial response was positive, and we should see that response in writing.



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Party

The letter asked for agency response to 3 points.

The first one was to allow:

- Russian cosmonauts to directly communicate with all non-ham students who transmit over the Amateur Radio air waves when a licensed ham radio operator is acting as the supervising control operator.



## 3<sup>rd</sup> Party

The next 2 points were:

- when a Russian-licensed ham control operator is on the ISS, non-ham-licensed astronauts and cosmonauts are allowed to communicate with non-ham-licensed students.
- when a licensed control operator is on the ISS, non-ham-licensed Russian cosmonauts are allowed to communicate with non-ham students.