

The FCC should either terminate the part 97 service or severely restrict the power levels (to 25 watts maximum) authorized by this service, eliminate all HF bands from 1.8 to 52 mhz and the 144 mhz band, and eliminate the manufacture of any radio that can be modified to work at other frequencies.

The part 97 (amateur radio service) is a complete waste of valuable spectrum. The service no longer functions as it was first chartered, it is now nothing more than a new CB band, it's worth as an emergency communications network is miniscule, unreliable and does not rate the resources it has for its use.

The service as it now operates is a disgrace, full of illegal and vulgar communication, and better use of this spectrum for other devices would better serve the public interest.

The FCC needs to fix this problem instead of deferring to the ARRL who doesn't come close to representing the majority interests of the amateur group much less the general public.