

## Become an ARRL Member – Support the Hobby

ARRL membership (\$49/year) provides essential benefits, primarily lobbying for radio spectrum rights, a subscription to *QST* or *On the Air* magazines, and access to Logbook of the World (LoTW), which is vital for awards. Members receive digital access to four magazines, outgoing QSL service, and representation before the FCC, helping protect amateur radio spectrum from commercial interests.

Key benefits of becoming an [ARRL member](#) include:

- **Advocacy & Representation:** The ARRL acts as a powerful lobbyist, fighting to protect amateur radio frequency allocations from being sold to commercial businesses and representing hams before the FCC.
- **Publications:** Members receive their choice of a printed magazine: [QST](#) (monthly, for active amateurs) or *On the Air* (bimonthly, for beginners/intermediates), along with digital access to all ARRL magazines, including *QEX* and *National Contest Journal*.
- **Operating Awards & Contesting:** Members can submit for prestigious awards like DXCC and WAS and participate in organized contests.
- **Online Services & Archives:** Access to the QST Archive (1915–present), Product Review Archive, and a free `callsign@arrl.net` email forwarding address.
- **QSL Service:** Access to the Outgoing QSL Service allows members to send QSL cards to foreign bureaus efficiently.

**Technical Information & Support:** Expert assistance with RF interference issues, regulatory questions, and [club advocacy](#).

- **Emergency Services:** Support for ARRL Emergency Communication Services and ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service).
- **Member Discounts:** Discounts on publications and courses from the ARRL store.

***The membership fee helps support the ongoing effort to secure the future of amateur radio.***