

Decatur County Amateur Radio Club
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For new Technician License

You should receive your new license in the mail from the FCC in around 4 weeks, but your callsign will be in the FCC database much sooner, typically 7 to 10 days. Once your new license is in the FCC database you can get on the air. To check for your new license do the following:

Visit the FCC online database website here: <http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/index.htm>

In the middle of the page near the top, in the search section, click "Licenses".

On the next page in the middle under "Service Specific Search", click "Amateur".

In the "Licensee" section, enter your name and zip code, other fields are optional.

In the "Date Information" section, for "Date Type", choose "Effective Date", where it says "Select a fixed date range", choose "in the last 30 days".

Click "search" at the bottom. If your new license shows up, note your callsign and you are ready to get on the air!

For upgrades to General or Extra license

Use the same steps as above to check for your upgrade on the FCC database.

You can use your new privileges immediately while you wait for your upgrade to show in the FCC database, when on the air during this waiting period do the following:

For new General licensees:

Say "slash AG" or "authorized general" after your callsign.
For example, "KW4DC slash AG" or "KW4DC authorized general".

For new Extra licensees:

Say "slash AE" or "authorized extra" after your callsign.
For example, "KW4DC slash AE" or "KW4DC authorized extra".