January 2022 activity report of the ARRL VM Program

The Volunteer Monitor (VM) Program is a joint initiative between the ARRL and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to enhance compliance in the Amateur Radio Service.

- Technician operators in New York, Delaware, and South Carolina were issued Notices for FT8 operation on 3.573 MHz. Technician licensees have no privileges on 75 meters.
- Technician operators in Indiana, Arizona, California and Florida were issued notices for FT8 operation on 7.074 MHz. Technicians have only CW privileges on 40 meters.
- Commendations for exemplary operation were issued to licensees in South Carolina (personal injury emergency traffic handling on 2 meters during a January 50 K Marathon) and Texas (exemplary courtesy during a POTA activation on 20 meters in December 2021).
- Cases in Virginia, California and Washington are in preparation for FCC referral for additional monitoring and enforcement action, including station inspections and review of license renewal.

The final totals for VM monitoring during January 2022 were 2,172 hours on HF frequencies, and 2,932 hours on VHF frequencies and above, for a total of 5,104 hours.

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