

# WINLINK - Download & Registration

## What Licenses are Required:

- Valid amateur radio license or
- License from participating government agency

## What Equipment is Required:

- **Personal Computer** - Microsoft-supported 32 or 64 bit Windows OS (Windows Vista, Windows 7, 8, 10 or Windows 2003 Server, or later, or under Windows on Apple Mac and Linux machines using a VM engine or dual boot arrangement. *Windows XP or earlier OS are not supported.*)
- No additional equipment necessary for “TELNET” operation through internet. {Ideal for learning software and message handling.}
- Interface Devices are need between computer and transceiver for radio frequency operations. (Each will be explained throughout series of educational sessions.)

## How to Establish a Winlink Account:

- Download and Install Winlink Express (formally RMS Express)
  - Link: <https://winlink.org/> for overview information
  - Download Link: <https://winlink.org/WinlinkExpress> (bottom of page)
    - Download & Open Zip File
    - Install “Winlink Express install” application by extracting files may have to approve application with your virus protection software
    - Follow steps to install application within C: RMS Express folder
  - Follow registration instructions adding call, password, password recovery email, grid square, and update.

Educational session will review download, installation, setup, and testing using “TELNET” via internet.