

Ham Basics

These pages will help you study for your *Basic Qualification Amateur Radio Operator Certificate Exam* in Canada.

- [About the test.](#)
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The goal of this guide is to help you learn as much as possible about Amateur Radio in general as well as help you pass the test. Many books about amateur radio make a lot of sense if you already understand the content. The hope is that very beginners will be able to *understand* key concepts, not just memorize them.

As such, the test topics have been broken down and reorganized in a different order to help tell a more coherent story. Many details that are *not* on the test have also been added to help you understand the content.

How To Use This Site

For self-study, we recommend the following sequence:

- Download and print the links on the [reference](#) page.
- After reading a section from this guide, read all the questions (and the right answers) listed at the end of the section.
- Move on to the next section.
- At the end, use an app like the [Canadian Amateur Radio Exam](#) to test yourself and review the sections that need the most work.
- Once you consistently get above 80%, contact your examiner and rock the test.