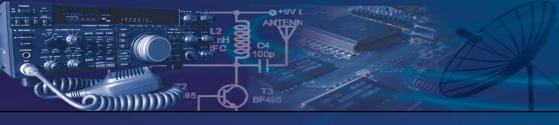


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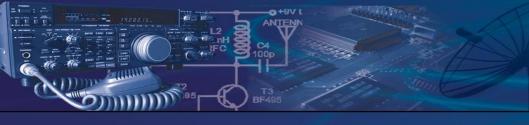
Poll #1: Callsign Structure - Results



Background

The Wireless Institute of Australia has introduced the "Future of Amateur Radio" program to run a series of polls to gain the views of Australian licenced operators.

These results will be provided to the ACMA in an effort to provide evidence to support changes to the LCD and associated legislation / regulation.

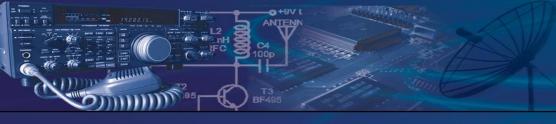


Background

Each poll is preceded with an information paper to provide some color around each topic.

The polls is sent to members of the WIA and any Australian licence holder that chooses to register at http://poll.wia.org.au.

The WIA has been marketing subscription to the program since late 2019



Background

The poll is administered by using the ACMA Client Number as the voting key.

Each ACMA client can lodge only one vote (with duplicates being discarded and only the latest vote retained)



Poll #1: Australian Callsign Structure

Poll #1 is centered on callsign structure there were 5 options proposed:

- 1. Permit any operator to have a 3 letter callsign
- 1. Allocate Foundation holders one or more 3 letter blocks (eg: VK?Q??)
- 1. Allocate Foundation holders a totally separate prefix (ie: not VK)
- 1. No change keep the existing F-Call
- 1. None of the above

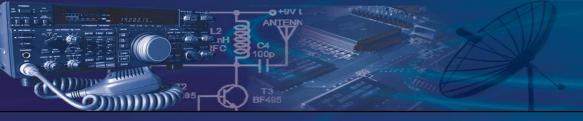


Summary

The results of Poll #1 demonstrate a clear preference for Option #1.

- Over 25% of ~13500 unique licence holders in Australia received the opportunity to vote.
- 59.7% of the preferences were for Option 1

Based on these results, and in keeping with the ACMA's desire for evidence based regulation, the WIA, on behalf of Australian Operators calls on the ACMA to swiftly align the callsign structure with this result.



Polling Results (Overall)

Total successful

invitations sent: 3424 (25.25% of cohort)

Total votes received: 2294 (17.44% of cohort)

Option 1: 1370 (59.72% of votes received)

Option 2: 422 (18.40% of votes received)

Option 3: 248 (10.81% of votes received)

Option 4: 231 (10.07% of votes received)

Option 5: 23 (1.00% of votes received)



Polling Results (Detail)

	Total Unique Operators In RRL	Total Valid Votes	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Option 5
Total	13557	2,294.00	1370	422	248	231	23
Advanced	8963	1,705.00	912	361	220	193	19
Standard	2006	273.00	185	43	21	22	2
Foundation	2588	316.00	273	18	7	16	2



Polling Results (% of Total Votes)

	Total Valid Votes	Option 1	Option 2	Option 3	Option 4	Option 5
Total	2,294.00	59.72%	18.40%	10.81%	10.07%	1.00%
Advanced	1,705.00	53.49%	21.17%	12.90%	11.32%	1.11%
Standard	273.00	67.77%	15.75%	7.69%	8.06%	0.73%
Foundation	316.00	86.39%	5.70%	2.22%	5.06%	0.63%