W9RH/R Repeater User Guidelines

The following guidelines are to be adhered to by all licensed amateur radio operators who access the W9RH/R repeater.

This repeater is licensed to, and equipment owned and maintained by, the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club on behalf of its members. Other licensed amateur radio operators are welcome to access the repeater as our guests, and are encouraged to join the club with repeated usage of the repeater. The repeater is overseen by a Trustee and group of net control operators who are commissioned with the responsibility of maintaining our club philosophy of civility and common sense communication on the repeater and it's connected WIRES-X system. Any violators will not be tolerated and may be banned from use of either the repeater or WIRES-X. Our expectation is respectful communication at all times.

The follow topics serve as examples of what may result in divisiveness and lead to possible ban from the repeater:

- 1. Religion
- 2. Politics
- 3. Business advertising and promotion
- 4. Derogatory remarks directed at any group or individual (ex: ethnic, religious, racial, sexual)
- 5. Personal attacks, insults, name calling, and similar behavior, whether directed or inferred
- 6. Off color language, including the recognized "four letter words"
- 7. Bathroom humor. Repeaters have more listeners than voices of all ages. Mind your manners
- 8. Jamming or causing malicious interference. (Note: ignore jammers or those inflicting malicious interference. Simply discontinue your QSO and inform the Trustee, Net Control Op, or a Board member immediately. Our contact info is listed <u>here</u>

Additionally, this repeater is intended for use by all club members and guests. Be respectful of the following:

- 1. Be aware of the length of your QSO as others may be waiting to use the repeater for a scheduled contact with another ham
- 2. Be aware of the potential for emergency communications and allow for occasional lengthier breaks between transmissions
- 3. Be aware that others may join your QSO, invited or not. If you need a private QSO, please move to a simplex frequency
- 4. Be aware that WIRES-X usage does not trump FM usage and should not be engaged during an active FM QSO or Nets. Please see the WIRES-X Usage Guidelines for specific guidelines

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The Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club adheres to the Amateur's Code (adapted from the original, written by Paul M. Segal, W9EEA, in 1928)

The Radio Amateur is

CONSIDERATE - never knowingly operates in such a way to lessen the pleasure of others.

LOYAL - offers loyalty, encouragement, and support to other amateurs, local clubs, and the American Radio Relay League, through which Amateur Radio in the United States is represented nationally and internationally.

PROGRESSIVE - with knowledge abreast of science, a well-built and efficient station, and operation beyond reproach.

FRIENDLY - with slow and patient operation when requested, friendly advice and counsel to the beginner, kindly assistance, co-operation and consideration for the interests of others. These are the hallmarks of the amateur spirit.

BALANCED - radio is an avocation, never interfering with duties owed to family, job, school or community.

PATRIOTIC - with station and skill always ready for service to country and community.