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Good morning team just noticed that you're looking at making some alterations and general workings with the radio band

I'm not quite sure how I make a suggestion as a radio operator but I will leave it here and you may be able to tell me exactly how I go about it regardless... Rather than three or more license categories for operators... Why not simply two Drop the foundation altogether... And make it standard... And anyone above that can be advanced or whatever wording you Wish to use Currently I believe there may be three levels... Foundation standard and advanced... Personally I feel that times have changed enough that a foundation operator... Really does not require the amount of study and dare I say headaches to progress simply one level In this day and age.. There is more digital operation... Radios Are readily available from professional radio stores... So as long as a foundation operator is very clear on the rules... The regulations... The general working of his or her equipment in relation to power... Antennas... And everything associated... Then that really should be it unless they would like to progress up one level Then do the study... I recall when I attempted to upgrade from foundation to standard... Frankly some of the questions were totally irrelevant to a current modern radio hobby... Certainly relevant if I was going to go and build my own transmitter... And I do understand it's very handy to have a knowledge of the workings... But I also believe that it does have the ability to hinder anyone progressing further with this hobby... These are just my thoughts and probably would be gazumped however I do hope some more modern thinking and changes are on the agenda For what is and always will be a magnificent and fun hobby and realistically we need to attract more to it and I don't think by making it as difficult as it has been it is doing that

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