



CROSS COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB GUIDE ON HOW TO MENTOR

The following is a guide on how to serve as a mentor for new Hams. It is by no means a complete list, just a good starting place.

1. Be a friend to the new ham. You take the first step, make them feel welcomed and wanted.
2. Be a personal contact for them, stay in touch with them.
3. Answer their questions for them. If you don't know the answer, help them find the person that does know.
4. Take an active hand in helping them to get started. They often will need help with radios and antennas, as well as other needs in getting setup and operating.
5. Take the time to talk to them on the radio. Make it your personal responsibility to see that someone answers them when they make those first calls.
6. Help them get involved in club activities. Encourage them to join the club, help them to feel apart of what is happening.
7. Show an interest in them, people tend to be more interested in others if they feel that they are interested in them.
8. Having just passed the test and gotten their license, their knowledge about amateur radio may be {most likely is} very limited. Teach them about all the different modes and facets of amateur radio.
9. Read Part 97 of the FCC Rules. If you need help understanding some of the rules please ask some of the more knowledgeable members for help. It is very important that you be able to provide correct information about the FCC Rules to new hams.
10. Make yourself a mentor check list, and check it often.