

2026 ORANGE HAMFEST



Hosted By
Orange, Jefferson County, and Beaumont Amateur Radio Clubs
-ARRL Sanctioned-



Friday and Saturday, February 27-28, 2026

A Two-Day Event!

Orange County Convention & Expo Center

11475 FM 1442 Orange, Texas 77632

Exit 869 from either direction off IH-10

Talk-in Frequency 147.180 +600 PL 103.5

Event Fees:

Admission-

Adults	\$10.00 per person for the two days
Children 12 yrs and younger	Free
Indoor Dealer/Vendor tables	\$15.00 ea. for Friday only or \$25 ea. for the two days
Indoor Flea Market tables	\$15.00 ea. for Friday only or \$25 ea. for the two days
Outside Tailgate spaces (limited)	Free
Friday night Hamfest Dinner	\$20/plate, no reservations required.

Door Prizes!!!

Door Prize and Grand Prize Tickets: \$2.00 each or 6 for \$10.00, 12 for \$20.00, etc.

Drawing for the Grand Prizes at 1:30 PM. You NEED NOT BE PRESENT for the Grand Prize drawings; however, you MUST BE PRESENT for all door prize drawings. All Door Prize tickets go back into the hopper for the Grand Prize drawings!

GREAT DOOR PRIZES!	AWESOME GRAND PRIZES!
Many hourly door prizes Friday and Saturday	Saturday – 1 st prize ICOM IC-7300 HF/50MHz 100-Watt SDR Transceiver
	Saturday – 2 nd prize YAESU FT-710 Field HF/50MHz 100W SDR Transceiver
	Saturday – 3 rd prize Rig Expert AA-35 ZOOM
	Friday prize - ICOM IC-2730A Dual Band 50-Watt 2M/70CM Mobile

Hamfest Schedule:

Friday, February 27th-

- 6:00AM - Hall setup and preparation
- 8:00 AM - 12 Noon Commercial Dealers, Vendors, and Flea Market only set up. Enter at Vendor ramp.
- 1:00PM – 6:30PM – Open to public
- 4:00 PM - Hamfest Dinner at the Expo Center- \$20/plate

All Hams and their families are invited to join us for dinner featuring smoked chicken half, sides, and dessert!

Saturday, February 28th-

- 6:00 - 7:30 AM- Setup for Dealers, Vendors, and Flea Market
- 7:00 AM - Hamfest opens for attendees.
- 8:00 AM - 12 NOON- Forums (topics and times may change)
- 10:00 AM VE Testing -NOTE No pre-registration is required for VE Testing. The FCC now requires new amateur radio applicants to create an FCC user ID and register for an FCC Registration Number (FRN) on the FCC registration website before taking the examination. Bring your FRN, the original and a copy of any current FCC License and any C.S.C.E.'s, picture ID, and \$15 testing fee.
- 1:30 PM - Grand Prize Drawings
- 2:00 PM - Close

Orange Area Info: <https://orangetexas.gov/157/Convention-Visitors-Bureau>

Hotels- Click the "Stay" link: <https://orangetexas.gov/BusinessDirectoryII.aspx?IngBusinessCategoryID=23>

Restaurants- Click the "Eat and Drink" link:

<https://orangetexas.gov/BusinessDirectoryII.aspx?IngBusinessCategoryID=22>

2026 Orange Hamfest Contact:

Phil Pollock at (409) 988-9898 text or call or email pollock.AF5DT@gmail.com

Latest Orange Hamfest information: https://www.qsl.net/w5nd/index_files/HAMFEST%20INFO/hamfest%20info.htm

2026 Orange Hamfest Table Reservations

Make your table reservations now! Tables normally sell out fast!

Dealer, Vendor, and Swap tables are located inside the 10,800 sq. ft. air-conditioned ADA-compliant Expo Center Ballroom and are available for \$15.00 ea. for Friday only or \$25.00 each for the two days for individuals, dealers, and vendors. One (1) admission ticket only is included with table(s) purchase. You can reserve your table(s) in advance by completing the Table Reservation Form below. Unreserved tables will be rented on a first-come/first-served basis. Dealer, Vendor, and Swap setup is 8:00: AM- 6:30 PM Friday, February 27th and 6:00 AM-7:30 AM Saturday, February 28th. Tables that are reserved but not claimed by 8:30 AM Saturday, February 28th will be re-rented. No refunds on unclaimed tables.

110V AC outlets are available for most but not all table locations. Please share. Please plan to provide your own power cords and power strips.

A limited number of tables are available for non-amateur radio-related sales. These tables will be located in the hallways outside the Expo Center Ballroom. Sale or display of firearms, weapons, or sexually offensive materials is prohibited. The Orange Amateur Radio Club/Hamfest Directors reserve the right to limit non-amateur radio-oriented table sales and to designate their location. Hamfest Directors will resolve any disputes fairly and will have the final decision.

To reserve tables, fill out the following Orange Hamfest Table Reservation Form, detach it, and mail it to:

**Orange Amateur Radio Club
P.O. Box 232
Orange, TX 77631-0232**

Note: In all cases we will confirm your table reservation by email. If you require a hard copy confirmation, check the appropriate box and include a SASE along with your completed Table Reservation Form.

2026 ORANGE HAMFEST TABLE RESERVATION FORM

-- Your Table Reservation Form envelope must be postmarked by February 16, 2026. --

--- We will send you an email confirmation. ---

Name _____ Call _____

Address _____

☐ Check if you need a 120V power outlet.

☐ Check if you need a hard-copy confirmation. (If you check this box, please enclose an SASE with this Table Reservation Form.)

Your email address for reservation confirmation: _____

Number of Tables ___ needed at ☐ \$15. ea. for Friday **or** ☐ \$25.00 ea. for two days: _____

Only **one** admission ticket is included with your tables purchased.

Number of additional admission(s) at \$10.00 each: _____

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

For tables questions you can email us at orangehamfesttables1@outlook.com or text 409-988-8906