

Inland Amateur Coordination Council
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Purpose of our Repeater Data Base

The IACC is providing an open access and free database of useful information for all amateurs. The deployment of the information is designed to help those with a legitimate interest in amateur radio, and a reliable and central resource to gather repeater information. We believe that this site can assist travelers and new Amateur Radio Operators with the information they need to confidently enter the hobby in the area served. Travelers appreciate the ability to program reliable repeater data into their radios to increase the safety and pleasure of their trips. New Amateurs will appreciate a quick way to get the information they need to program their radios and start socializing.

The IACC will be listing all IACC coordinated repeater systems. The IACC will also be listing all known un-coordinated systems in hopes that the owners will seek coordination. The amount of public information displayed will depend upon the following classifications. "Open", "Closed", "Private", "Un-coordinated". Close attention is paid by the IACC to list only the information from our data base that is applicable to the repeater classification noted above.

If you prefer not to allow other amateurs use of your repeater, simply request the repeater be listed as closed or private, as this is a sign to other HAMs that the repeater is not open to general use.

Many repeater owners want their repeaters to be used. Listing your repeater on this site allows us to advertise the presence, features, and capabilities of your repeater for you. In addition it provides a reference data base for those who desire or plan to install and operate a new Amateur Radio Repeater. It gives the prospective repeater owners the ability to choose frequency and access mode for their proposed system. Close attention is paid by the IACC to list only the information from our data base that is specified by the repeater classification noted above and detailed below. Be reminded that the FCC data base is available to the public, therefore FCC documentation is in fact public.

Open: Repeater is open for use by all licensed amateurs:

We will list Coordination Status, Output Frequency, Input Frequency, Access Method, Repeater Call, Repeater Sponsor, State, County, City, Prime Coverage area, and type of System (FM/ Digital).

Closed: Repeater requires membership in sponsoring organization. Membership is open to all licensed amateurs:

We will list your repeater as private and a note in the Coordination Status field alerting potential users to this fact. We will list only the following: Coordination Status, Output Frequency, Input Frequency, Repeater Call, Repeater Sponsor, State, County, City, and type of System (FM/ Digital).

If your intent is to "hide" your repeater from the would-be jammer, removing the listing from this database is not likely to accomplish this. There are other publications, both Web and print, that display closed and private repeaters. Removing the entry from this database does not remove it from the Web. We also believe with the advent of fast-scan radios and PL search, that there is no way to "hide" a repeater on the ham bands. Finding a repeater in the wild that is not listed on this site just makes other's curious. If you are attempting to avoid a jammer that preys on private systems, the more you try to hide, the more determined a jammer becomes and the more satisfaction he feels in his accomplishment. We believe the alternative approach of 'nothing to hide and nothing to fear' is a more effective way of quelling the Competitive nature of a jammer.

Private: Repeater requires membership in sponsoring organization. Membership is at the discretion of the sponsor.

We will list your repeater as closed and a note in the Coordination Status field alerting potential users to this fact. We will list only the following: Coordination Status, Output Frequency, Input Frequency, Repeater Call, Repeater Sponsor, and State.

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Un-Coordinated.

We research other Web sites and public notices reporting these repeaters. As the un-coordinated owners have not requested coordination and appear either un-informed or just don't care about operating in accordance with "good ***Amateur Radio Practices***", the IACC hopes that users and or the repeater owner will seek coordination. Please note the warning on FCC Rules part 97.205 (c) that **un-coordinated Repeaters will bare total responsibility to resolve for any and all interference that they cause.**

The U.S. Constitution safeguards the first amendment right to publish data on the Internet, along with exact coordinates of repeaters and PL tones, which trumps a repeater's "right" to privacy. A physical repeater site has no right to privacy. Furthermore, amateur radio repeaters reside on publicly available radio spectrum and no frequency is licensed to any person for exclusive use. The general public, and certainly the amateur radio community, has a right to know that a repeater is operating on a given frequency, even though usage of said repeater by the owner/trustee is prohibited. Having said that, **The IACC has no intention to publish the actual physical location of any coordinated system in our area.**

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