Exam: Amateur Radio Examination Foundation Level [E49689F]

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1. A holder of a Foundation Licence is NOT permitted to

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A. erect an HF antenna

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- **B.** modify and operate a CB for use on the 10m band
- **C.** use a dummy load to test a transmitter
- **D.** operate on the Isle of Man.
- 2. The licence requires you to give your Callsign when

1A5.4224.1

A. changing from CW to FM but on the same carrier frequency

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- B. wishing your contacts '73' and leaving the group
- C. speaking for the first time to a person who has already joined the group
- **D.** first speaking after a pause of about 10 minutes.
- 3. Which one of the following things may you do as a Foundation Licence holder?

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A. Broadcast CDs over the air to your friends

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- **B.** Send messages in a secret code
- C. Talk to amateurs in other countries
- **D.** Broadcast news about school activities.
- **4.** Licensees are required by the terms of the Licence to carry out test from time to time to ensure that

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- **A.** their antenna is securely fastened
- **B.** the VSWR of their transceiver is less than 3:1
- C. their station is not causing undue interference
- **D.** the shack earth is in good condition.
- 5. The maximum transmit power allowed at the antenna feed point in the frequency range 432.0-440.0MHz is

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- **A.** 10W
- **B.** 10W erp
- **C.** 100W
- **D.** 1W erp.

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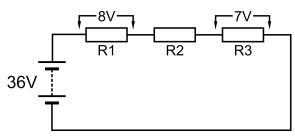
6. What is the radiated power level above which an EMF (electromagnetic field) assessment must be carried out?

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- **A.** 10W erp
- B. 10W eirp
- C. 1W eirp
- **D.** 1W erp.
- **7.** What is the voltage across R2 in the circuit shown?

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- **A.** 21A
- **B.** 20A
- **C.** 20V
- **D.** 21V.
- **8.** The unit of frequency is the

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A. hertz

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- B. amp
- C. watt
- **D.** volt.
- **9.** A diagram of the electronics of a handheld radio has a device labelled 'DAC'. It is likely that this device

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- **A.** takes the digital signal from the radio's memory and amplifies it to a suitable level for headphones
- **B.** processes the data stream into regular samples suitable for storing in the radio's memory
- **C.** catalogues the data signals and produces a display of the frequency the radio is tuned to
- **D.** takes a digital signal from the radio's memory and turns it into an analogue signal.

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10. When an audio frequency is mixed with a radio frequency, which one of the following is produced?

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- A. Carrier wave
- B. A direct current
- C. Harmonics
- D. Sidebands.
- **11.** A poorly designed frequency generator stage in a transmitter may

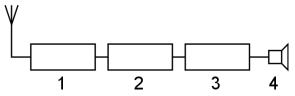
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A. risk damaging the antenna

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- B. damage the power supply
- **C.** cause the transmitter to radiate outside the amateur bands
- **D.** risk damage to the audio stage or the microphone.
- 12. In the block diagram of a radio receiver shown, what is the function of the box marked '1'?

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- A. Tuning and RF amplifier
- B. Detection
- C. Antenna
- **D.** Audio amplifier.
- **13.** The device used to correctly connect a dipole antenna to coaxial feeder is called

4B1.4724.1

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- A. a dummy load
- B. a balun
- C. an SWR meter
- **D.** a yagi.
- **14.** An antenna will

4C1.4731.1

A. pick up radio signals and convert them into electrical signals

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- **B.** provide an RF earth
- C. work equally well at all frequencies
- **D.** reflect radio waves away from the transmitter.

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15. Damage to an antenna will be most evident inside the station on the

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A. transmitter frequency display

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- B. transmitter output meter
- C. standing wave ratio meter
- **D.** power supply voltmeter.
- **16.** The ionosphere is located at heights above the ground between

5B1.4849.1

A. 7m and 40m

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- B. 7km and 40km
- **C.** 70ft and 400ft
- **D.** 70km and 400km.
- 17. A radio amateur wishes to receive from a greater range on VHF and UHF. Which option is likely to be most successful?

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- **A.** Place the antenna on the ground in the garden
- B. Use UHF for greatest range
- **C.** Increase the antenna height to above surrounding roofs
- **D.** Double the receiving station's transmitter power.
- **18.** A radio amateur is operating on 145.5MHz. Which of the items in the 'shack' is most likely to suffer interference?

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- **A.** An HF receiver on 14.1MHz
- **B.** An electric digital clock
- **C.** A computer
- **D.** A VHF receiver on 144.25MHz.
- 19. Clicks and a buzz on a mobile receiver in a vehicle can be due to

6F3.4974.1

A. locating the antenna in an exposed location on the roof

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- **B.** the use of battery power rather than mains power
- C. battery charging and vehicle ignition systems
- **D.** the lack of an actual earth lead to divert the electrical noise.

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20. The Station Log will be of assistance in tracing the cause of an interference problem experienced by a neighbour, because

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- **A.** the licence requires you to keep a Log of your transmissions
- **B.** the station you contacted might be the source of the interference
- **C.** it will be useful to compare the times of the interference with the times of transmission
- **D.** the local authority will want a copy of your Log in order to deal with the complaint.
- 21. When calling CQ on a VHF FM calling channel, a radio amateur should

7A2.5007.1

A. say "CQ" 2 or 3 times and give the call sign, then listen for a reply

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- B. say "CQ" about 20 times and listen for a reply
- **C.** say "CQ" a number of times and give the call sign when a contact is established
- **D.** give the call sign 2 or 3 times and say "CQ" when somebody replies.
- **22.** According to the Band Plan what is the 2 metre band FM calling frequency?

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- **A.** 145.500MHz
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- **B.** 144.500MHz
- **C.** 144.300MHz
- **D.** 144.700MHz.
- **23.** When choosing a digital voice (DV) radio, you should remember

7F1.5084.1

- **A.** to get a radio on the same frequency as used by your nearest or chosen repeater
- **B.** that the radio will switch to the data protocol used by the repeater contacted
- **C.** to register your callsign with the RSGB or local repeater group
- **D.** that there are several different digital protocols in use and choose the right one for your local area.
- **24.** When checking mains equipment, it is necessary to

8A6.5126.1

A. use only non magnetic tools

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- **B.** disconnect the unit from the mains supply
- **C.** remove the earth wire from the mains plug
- **D.** remove the earth wire from the equipment.

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25. When using a ladder to erect a new antenna you should

8C2.5179.1

A. only use a wooden ladder

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- **B.** ensure that you are the only person in the area
- **C.** set the ladder at the correct angle (1up to 4 out)
- **D.** set the ladder at the correct angle (4 up to 1 out).
- **26.** The ICNIRP is of interest to amateurs because it

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- A. produces guidance on the safe levels of RF exposure
- B. co-ordinates the launch of amateur and other satellites
- **C.** produces the International version of the Amateur Band Plans
- **D.** oversees the preparation of the International Radio Regulations.