

ELEMENT CREDIT TABLE

License Class	Element Credit Given	Exam to Pass	License Earned
Expired Novice	none	Element 2	Technician
Current Novice	none	Element 2	Technician
Expired Technician issued 3/21/1987 or LATER	none	Element 2	Technician
Expired Technician issued BEFORE 3/21/1987	Element 3	Element 2	General
Current Technician issued 3/21/1987 or LATER	Element 2	Element 3	General
Current Technician issued BEFORE 3/21/1987	Elements 2 and 3	none	General
Current Technician with old expired General	Elements 2 and 3	none	General
Current Technician with old expired Advanced	Elements 2 and 3	none	General
Current Technician with old expired Extra	Elements 2, 3 and 4	none	Extra
Expired General	Element 3	Element 2	General
Current General	Elements 2 and 3	Element 4	Extra
Expired Advanced	Element 3	Element 2	General
Current Advanced	Elements 2 and 3	Element 4	Extra
Expired Extra	Elements 3 and 4	Element 2	Extra

Expired License Partial Credit.

If an applicant held a General or Advanced license, and has proof, the FCC will afford credit for the General (Element 3) written exam only. If an applicant held an Extra license, and has proof, the FCC will afford credit for the General (Element 3) and Extra (Element 4) written exams. At VE exam sessions it is the applicant (not the VEs or coordinating VEC) who is responsible for supplying the evidence of holding valid expired license credit. Acceptable forms of proof can be found on the Exam Element Credit web page at www.arrl.org/exam-element-credit.

If an applicant is unlicensed and presenting expired license credit proof.

To take advantage of the new rule, holders of expired licenses must attend an exam session. There they would present a photo ID and their expired license proof, pay the \$15 exam session processing fee and take the Technician exam.

If an applicant is currently licensed and is presenting expired license credit proof.

The FCC has mandated that all paperwork only upgrades be done through a VEC via their VE Teams. As always, the candidate will have to show a photo ID, present the proof, pay the \$15 exam session processing fee and fill out all forms to receive the paper upgrade. The upgrade is not automatic and may NOT be sent directly to the FCC or to the VEC by the candidate (again the paperwork only upgrade must occur at a test session and follow FCC exam session guidelines).

