



Section 16

Abbreviations.

Q-Code and the Phonetic Alphabet. Use of plain language

Task. By oral questioning only the candidate should be asked the purpose of the Q-code and the phonetic alphabet. Including the importance of standardised codes and signals over radio. Use of language slang etc. Note- while not preventing such use- it is not a requirement for the candidate to use the Q-code or the phonetic alphabet in any part of this assessment. Candidate provides a knowledge of the existence (only), of the Q-code and Phonetic Alphabet and knowledge of purpose for their use. Candidate demonstrates by answers the importance of the use of plain language in radio communications.

Action:

1. Revise [Chapter 11-1](#) and [Chapter 11-2](#) in the Foundation.
2. Know basic Q codes and phonetic alphabet as they often are used in on air conversations.

Have fun and stay safe.