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The current question pool for the General Class license takes effect on July 1, 2015.

Question Pool Changes

none

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Page 1-2 and 3-7: In the US Amateur Radio Band chart for 60 meters, the power limit is 100 W PEP calculated as ERP (Effective Radiated Power). When calculating the station's ERP, use PEP transmitter power output and antenna gain relative to a half-wave dipole.

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Page 4-4: The equation for Example 1 should show the second log as an inverse log: Example 1: A power ratio of 9 dB = $\log^{-1} (9 / 10) = \log^{-1} (0.9) = 8$

Page 4-14: In Example 19, the equation for the parallel equivalent should read:

$$R_{EQU} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{20} + \frac{1}{50}} = 5.9\Omega$$

General Q&A

No changes