

Changes to "Identification", para 13 in your draft amateur radio licence, significantly alter the requirement and will significantly conflict with current practice, thus:

1) 13(1)c will force all stations to transmit their callsigns - each asynchronously interrupting the operation of the net - at least every 15min - even if they've nothing else to say. The current BR68 7(1)b, summarisable as "if you haven't spoken for 15 minutes, the next thing you transmit must be your callsign" avoids this chaos entirely.

2) 13(1)b is quite different to the current BR68 7(1)b. Substituting "transmission" for "period of communication" will significantly disrupt break-in-style working. Slick exchanges becoming bloated with excessive repetition of callsigns - e.g. "G3ABC John?", "G3XYZ Yes?", "G3ABC Do you copy?", "G3XYZ Yes", "G3ABC What is my readability", "G3XYZ R5", "G3ABC R5?", "G3XYZ Roger" One brief Period of Communication but nine Transmissions demanding nine transmissions of callsigns to conform with your new rules.

I would suggest that the old 7(1)b replace the proposed 13(1)b and c.

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