

Getting a GMRS License

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We are providing this information as a benefit to our customers. If you have detailed questions concerning licensing, please give us a call. This information is only applicable to customers using two-way radios within the United States.

Read 'Understanding FCC Bands' under our 'FCC Radio License' section of Help on this website to become familiar with the primary FCC service types used for two-way radios. This will help you determine which service is appropriate for your usage before proceeding with your application.

GMRS Overview (General Mobile Radio Service)

- GMRS is for individuals and their family members.
- The FCC licenses GMRS "to facilitate the activities of licensees and their immediate family members." So, only small family run businesses qualify to use GMRS.
- One license covers the licensee and their immediate family members.
- Is a **more powerful service for individuals than FRS**.
 - Handheld radios can be up to 5 watts but must transmit in analog.
 - Repeaters are allowed with some limitations.
- GMRS **requires a license**. One license covers the entire family.
- You must be 18 years or older to apply for the license, but anyone within your family (regardless of age) can use the radios.
- Equipment must be certified for GMRS use.
- You can only transmit on frequencies designated for GMRS (see list below).
- You must stay within the power limitations assigned for each frequency (see list below).

GMRS frequencies are at the bottom of this page.

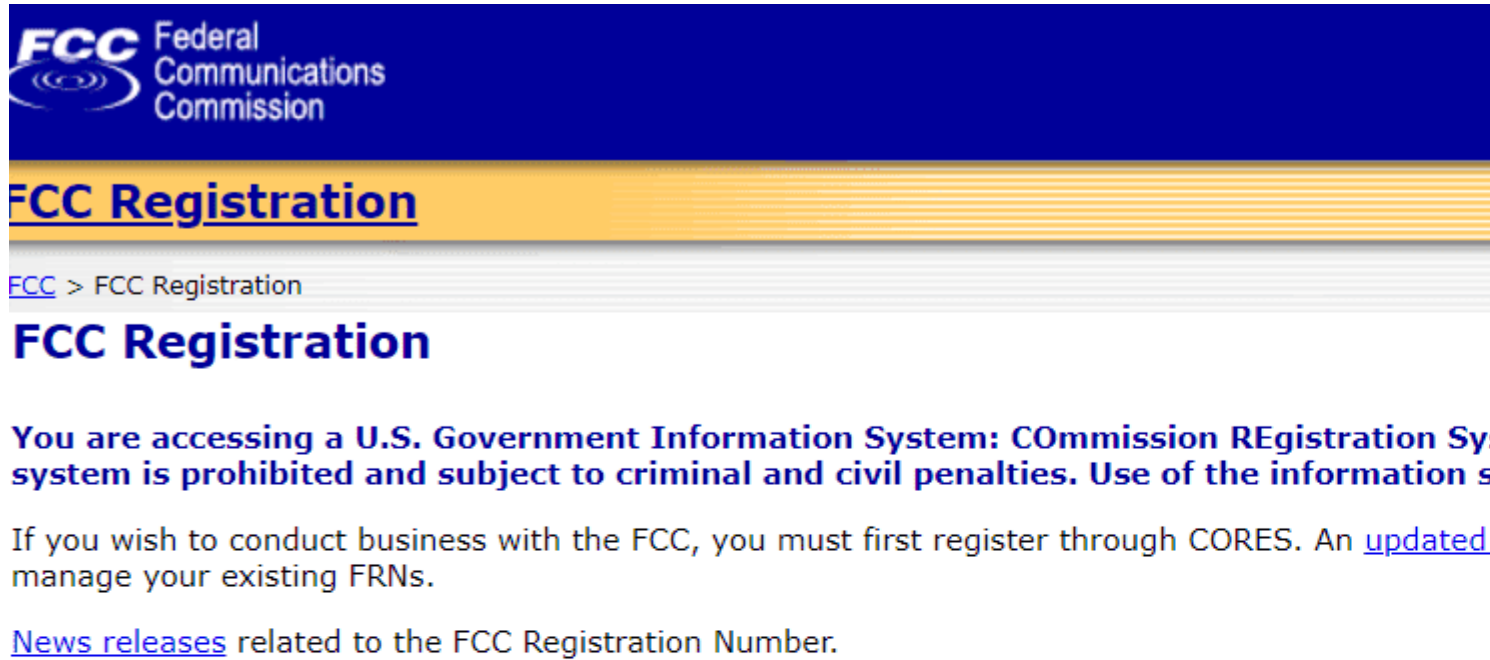
GMRS License - Start Here...

To use GRMS frequencies, the FCC requires you to obtain a license. To get a license you don't have to take an exam, but you will need to fill out the required forms and send your payment.

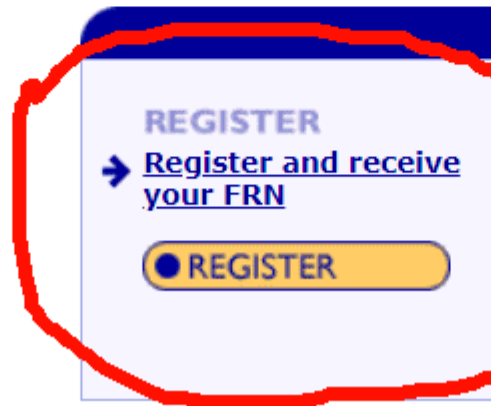
Obtaining an FRN

1. First, you must obtain an **FRN number** (FCC Registration Number).
2. There is no charge to obtain an FRN. However, there is a fee when you apply for your license.

3. To get your FRN, go to the [FCC Universal Licensing System](#) .
4. Select "Register" on the ULS Home page, complete the online questionnaire.
5. You will receive your FRN immediately upon completing the one-page online form. Then you can move to the next steps below.



The screenshot shows the top of the FCC website. At the top left is the FCC logo with the text "Federal Communications Commission". Below this is a yellow banner with the text "FCC Registration" in blue. Underneath the banner is a breadcrumb trail: "FCC > FCC Registration". The main heading is "FCC Registration" in large blue font. Below the heading is a warning: "You are accessing a U.S. Government Information System: Commission REGISTRATION System is prohibited and subject to criminal and civil penalties. Use of the information s...". This is followed by a paragraph: "If you wish to conduct business with the FCC, you must first register through CORES. An [updated](#) manage your existing FRNs." At the bottom of the screenshot is a link: "[News releases](#) related to the FCC Registration Number."



GMRS Application Process

The process to obtain a GMRS license is fairly easy. You can apply for a license online by following the steps below.

Once you have your FRN (*see "Obtaining an FRN" in the previous paragraph*) from the main FCC screen choose "**Online Filing, Log In**".

Follow the screen pages below. Answer the questions on the following screens to complete your GMRS license application. Navigate through each screen by clicking on the 'Continue' button. A printed copy of you new license will be mailed to you.

1. After obtaining your FRN select "Log In"

The screenshot shows the FCC Universal Licensing System (ULS) homepage. The top navigation bar includes links for Search, RSS, Wireless, E-Filing, Notices, Consumer, and Find People. The main content area is titled "ULS Online Systems" and lists various services with "LOG IN" buttons. The "ONLINE FILING" section is circled in red, highlighting the "LOG IN" button. Other sections include "NEW USERS" with a "REGISTER" button, "BANDWIDTH" with "LOG IN" buttons, "MODIFY WIDEBAND EMISSIONS" with a "LOG IN" button, "REMOVE WIDEBAND EMISSIONS" with a "LOG IN" button, "SEARCH" with "LICENSES", "APPLICATIONS", and "ARCHIVES" buttons, and "QUICK LINKS" with "Help", "Obtain Official U.S. Authorization", and "Contact Us" links. A "Systems" section lists "Pay Fees", "Antenna Structure Registration (ASR)", "TDWARR", and "TCNSEC-100". On the right side, there are "Alerts" (No Active Alerts), "More Alerts", and "Downtime Schedule" (No downtimes scheduled, with the exception of the Daily Downtime: 12 Midnight - 2 AM ET).

2. Login using your FRN and password.

You can access the login page here: <https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsEntry/licManager/login.jsp>

FCC Federal Communications Commission

License Manager

FCC > Wireless > Licensing > Online Systems > License Manager

Log In

Log in to the License Manager to view and manage your licenses and applications, apply for a new license, and perform other license and application management tasks based on your FCC Registration Number (FRN). A 10-digit FRN is required.

FCC Registration Number

Password

- ▶ **Forgot your password?** [Contact Tech Support](#)
- ▶ **Need an FRN?** [Register with the FCC](#)
- ▶ **Not sure if you have an FRN?** [Check your licenses](#) to determine if they've been assigned an FRN
- ▶ **Are you a certified Land Mobile frequency coordinator?** [Log in](#) using your coordinator login and password
- ▶ **Are you narrowbanding a Land Mobile license?** [Log in](#) using your access code

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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

About the FCC Registration Number

An FRN is a 10-digit number that is used to identify a business or individual registered with the FCC. This unique FRN is used to identify the registrant's business dealings with the FCC. The FCC will use the FRN to determine if a registrant's fees have been paid. We encourage registrants to register with the Commission as soon as you expect to do business with the FCC. This way, you will be ready to use the electronic licensing systems without having to go through the registration process at the time you submit an application.

For more information, see [Public Notice 01-2452](#).

3. Select "Apply For a New License" on the upper left-hand side of the screen.

Should LastPass remember this password? Save Site Never For This Site Not Now

Apply for a New License

My Licenses License At A Glance

Change your paper authorization preferences [here](#), or download your official electronic authorizations [now](#).

Call Sign **Radio Service:** Industrial/Business Pool, Conventional (IG)

Notes: The FCC recommends downloading [2009](#) when filing 601 applications for New, Modifications and Renewal/Modifications in Cellular, Microwave, Paging, Land Mobile and Coast and Ground Services.

Applicant Name & Address

P:

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Dates

Grant	08/11/2014
Effective	08/11/2014
Expiration	08/11/2024

[View Complete License](#)

Work on this License:

- Update** Licenses (Name, Mailing address, Locations, Antennas, Frequencies, and other license data)
- Request Duplicate**
- Notify the FCC:** Construction Buildout/Coverage Extended Implementation Convert Developmental License
- Extend Deadlines:** Construction Buildout/Coverage
- Assign Authorization**
- Transfer Control**

Find My Licenses

4. Select "ZA - General Mobile Radio (GMRS)" from the drop-down menu.



5. Complete your application by filling out the information.

6. Continue to the certification section, and certify your information is correct.

7. What to do after applying.

- Once you have completed the application wait 24 to 48 hours. Then using your FRN, log back into the FCC USL website to print a copy of your license. The FCC no longer mails copies.

GMRS and FRS Frequencies

The table below lists all the FRS and GMRS channels. FRS only radios have channels 1-14. Radios with both GMRS and FRS have channels 1-22.

Channel #	GMRS Channel Name	Frequency	Usage	Max Power GMRS / FRS
1	Interstitial 5625	462.5625 MHz	GMRS / FRS	5 Watts / FRS 2W
2	Interstitial 5875	462.5875 MHz	GMRS / FRS	5 Watts / FRS 2W
3	Interstitial 6125	462.6125 MHz	GMRS / FRS	5 Watts / FRS 2W
4	Interstitial 6375	462.6375 MHz	GMRS / FRS	5 Watts / FRS 2W
5	Interstitial 6625	462.6625 MHz	GMRS / FRS	5 Watts / FRS 2W
6	Interstitial 6875	462.6875 MHz	GMRS / FRS	5 Watts / FRS 2W
7	Interstitial 7125	462.7125 MHz	GMRS / FRS	5 Watts / FRS 2W

8	Interstitial 7125	467.5625 MHz	GMRS / FRS	1/2 Watts / FRS 1/2W
9	Interstitial 7125	467.5875 MHz	GMRS / FRS	1/2 Watts / FRS 1/2W
10	Interstitial 7125	467.6125 MHz	GMRS / FRS	1/2 Watts / FRS 1/2W
11	Interstitial 7125	467.6375 MHz	GMRS / FRS	1/2 Watts / FRS 1/2W
12	Interstitial 7125	467.6625 MHz	GMRS / FRS	1/2 Watts / FRS 1/2W
13	Interstitial 7125	467.6875 MHz	GMRS / FRS	1/2 Watts / FRS 1/2W
14	Interstitial 7125	467.7125 MHz	GMRS / FRS	1/2 Watts / FRS 1/2W
15	Lower 550	462.5500 MHz	GMRS Only	50 Watts
16	Lower 575	462.5750 MHz	GMRS Only	50 Watts
17	Lower 600	462.6000 MHz	GMRS Only	50 Watts
18	Lower 625	462.6250 MHz	GMRS Only	50 Watts
19	Lower 650	462.6500 MHz	GMRS Only	50 Watts
20	Lower 675	462.6750 MHz	GMRS Only	50 Watts
21	Lower 700	462.7000 MHz	GMRS Only	50 Watts
22	Lower 725	462.7250 MHz	GMRS Only	50 Watts
15RP	Upper 550	467.5500 MHz	GMRS Repeater Transmit	50 Watts
16RP	Upper 575	467.5750 MHz	GMRS Repeater Transmit	50 Watts
17RP	Upper 600	467.6000 MHz	GMRS Repeater Transmit	50 Watts
18RP	Upper 625	467.6250 MHz	GMRS Repeater Transmit	50 Watts
19RP	Upper 650	467.6500 MHz	GMRS Repeater Transmit	50 Watts
20RP	Upper 675	467.6750 MHz	GMRS Repeater Transmit	50 Watts
21RP	Upper 700	467.7000 MHz	GMRS Repeater Transmit	50 Watts
22RP	Upper 725	467.7250 MHz	GMRS Repeater Transmit	50 Watts