

Recommended references for Amateur Radio study in Australia. Some free; some not free.

1.

Ham College Inc. - Western Australia

<https://www.hamcollege.org.au/study/advanced-licence/>

Ham College produces a text book that is very much aligned with the syllabus at the time. The notes differentiate between the requirements of the Standard and Advanced exams. It's not free but consider it a value for money \$50 addition to your library.

2.

Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society CARS – United Kingdom

<http://www.g0mwt.org.uk/training/courses/index.htm>

CARS produce excellent Powerpoint presentations that are obviously aligned with the UK syllabus. The technical content is roughly aligned with our Australian syllabus. Ignore the non-technical Licence Conditions sections as they are UK orientated. The rules governing Amateur Radio are based on International Agreements and while similar in most countries it's best to focus on the Australian variation and avoid confusion.

3.

The New Zealand Amateur Radio Study Guide - New Zealand

<https://vhf.nz/pubs/VHFGuide/>

Download “Book 2 All you need to know to become a Radio Amateur”

The technical content makes it a good resource. Best to skip over the NZ orientated Licence Conditions and focus on “Syllabus Clusters” 10 to 60. A good technical reference.

The link to this book is on the Wellington VHF Group website.

4.

Lessons in Electric Circuits

<https://www.ibiblio.org/kuphaldt/electricCircuits/>

Not Amateur Radio. They are true to name – lessons in electronic circuits.

Not your first reference when you're focusing on an exam but an excellent background reference.

Count the pages before you consider printing them!

5.

RASA Radio Amateur Society of Australia

<https://vkradioamateurs.org/>

RASA has several good publications. Not really textbooks but excellent sources of Information

RASA Welcome to Amateur Radio Guidebook for Newcomers

<https://vkradioamateurs.org/welcome-to-ar-guidebook-for-newcomers/>

6. WIA Wireless Institute of Australia

<https://www.wia.org.au/>

The WIA has been around a long time and has various resources.

A good one even if slightly dated for Foundation use is: WIA Your Entry into Amateur Radio

https://www.wia.org.au/members/bookshop/page_data.php?id=113

7.

Fred Swainston Radio Theory Handbook for Amateur Operators

https://www.wia.org.au/members/bookshop/page_data.php?id=114

Available from the WIA bookshop. A comprehensive textbook that goes well beyond the Advanced syllabus.

8.

Ron Bertrand – RES Radio Electronics School – Radio Theory Handbook

<http://www.res.net.au/#>

Ron has produced a textbook based on his excellent courses run at the Radio and Electronics School.

9.

IPS The Australian Ionospheric Service is part of the Met bureau.

https://www.sws.bom.gov.au/Category/Educational/Other_Topics/Radio_Communication/Intro_HF_Radio.pdf

The Introduction to HF Radio is an excellent publication that explains ionospheric propagation. The PDF is free and is referenced in many Amateur and Commercial training packages.

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11.

VKREGS.INFO

<http://vkregs.info/>

RASA and the RES have combined to produce an excellent set of Australian regulations resources.

Check out their web pages and download their Australian Amateur Radio Regulations Handbook.