



Parental Consent Form

The Southwest Missouri Amateur Radio Club welcomes radio enthusiasts from all facets of life and our youth in the community are no exception. SMARC has set out to make this organization fun and safe for all ages. As a result, we have developed this form specifically for those members under the age of 18. A legal guardian must agree to and sign the form provisions below for your membership to be approved.

Here are a few notes we feel guardians need to be aware of before their minor becomes a member:

- SMARC is open to radio enthusiasts of all races, religions, sexual orientations, ages, and beliefs. However, no person shall infringe on the rights of other members based on these facts. Such infringement is dealt with per our bylaws.
- The bylaws shall be adhered to at all times. The bylaws layout the specifics for member conduct and dismissal.
- Minor members call sign, full name and email address used to register for membership are placed on our club roster, viewable only to other club members. Please make considerations for this when using an email to sign up for membership.
- Club events are often held at private residences to facilitate the requirements for that event, such as special equipment.
- While most events are open to the public, some events are for members only. Any legal guardian or their representative may accompany their minor during any members only event without the need for a membership but will not be able to participate in any function that furthers their own amateur radio hobby. Such activity would require the guardian's own SMARC membership. Special consideration is given to minor members with mental or learning handicaps.
- Alcohol, drugs and other illegal substances are never permitted at any club event. The exception to this shall be special SMARC events that are only for members that are 21 years of age or older. Members may bring their own alcoholic beverages, in small quantities, to these events. SMARC will never purchase or provide these beverages. An example for this type of special event is our annual float trip. All events will have a designated smoking area outside of the event area.
- Some events put on by SMARC involve working with exposed electronic devices. Some devices may contain high voltages that can immediately stop someone's heart if contacted. We take every precaution when working with such equipment. However, we expect all members to be cautious when working with any equipment that is dangerous. If the minor member does not possess the ability to use caution or is not yet of the age or experience to understand the risks, we ask that they observe only. Please let an officer know if there are any handicaps that would prevent a member from understanding the risks involved with working on electronic equipment. In such cases, we encourage a guardian to be present at these events.

By signing this parental consent form the guardian accepts the form in its entirety and hereby acknowledges their approval for their child to be a member of SMARC. This form is only provided and signed once per member enrollment, per member, and is deemed valid until which time the minor turns 18. A copy can be obtained at later date by request.

Legal Guardian Name (printed)

Legal Guardian Signature

Date Signed

SMARC Officer Signature

Minor Members Name

Minor Members Call Sign (if available)