

VoIP services available to Hams

Hamshack Hotline, or “HH”, exists to provide in-network VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) communications services to Amateur Radio Operators. For additional information Google is your friend or give me a call.

Only licensed Amateur Radio Operators may access the system and a link to POTS (Plain Old Telephone Service) is **NOT** provided. HH is free to all who wish to join the system. There are over 3,500 users in the US, many around the world, 25 in West Virginia and 2 in Morgantown. (KB8AOB and KD8BMI).

Note: HH makes no promises of availability, or uninterrupted carriage of communications, or availability of emergency services (i.e. 911, etc.). The system is supported with volunteers and financial donations are welcome.

A second service (smaller in size, similar in operation) is available as well, called HoIP or Hams over Internet Protocol. And there are others...

Is VoIP ham radio? Probably not to some but in my view, Ham Radio is technology and learning about new tools. VoIP fits... YMMV

Interested? What you need:

- Internet connection wired is best, wireless works on some phones. (aka “endpoints”)
- An endpoint – Note: many endpoints can connect to more than one service including paid services (such as VoIP.ms)
- New or Used VoIP Phone (**Must have certain features and be unlocked – don’t acquire until you know if it will work with your choice of service!**)
- You can also use software on your cell phone or computer to access, using products such as GroundWire by Acrobats.
- Including 911? If multiple services are desired, you will need an endpoint with multiple lines. One line for each service desired.

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**Sunday Night Nets 08:30 ET
on Hamshack Hotline 1363**

**1st Sunday — Ham Radio Talk
2nd Sunday — DMR Today
3rd Sunday — HF Digital Modes
4 & 5 Sundays — Dark (closed)**

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