

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Washington, D. C.

ORDER NO. 91

At a meeting of the Federal Communications Commission held at its offices in Washington, D. C. on the 17th day of February, 1942;

The Commission having under consideration the request of the Defense Communications Board that the Commission consider relaxation of its rules and regulations governing the requirements for operators of broadcast stations; and

IT APPEARING that the demand of the military services for operators holding radiotelephone first class licenses has increased as a result of the war, and that such demand has decreased the number of operators qualified for operation of broadcast stations, resulting in a shortage of such operators;

IT IS ORDERED that until further order of the Commission a broadcast station of any class, which by reason of actual inability to secure the services of an operator or operators of the proper class could not otherwise be operated, may be operated by holders of radiotelegraph first or second class operator licenses, or radiotelephone second class operator licenses, notwithstanding the provisions of Section 13.61, paragraphs a, c(1) and d(1) of the Commission's Rules and Regulations Governing Commercial Radio Operators;

PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that these classes of operator licenses shall be valid for the operation of broadcast stations upon the condition that one or more first class radiotelephone operators are employed who shall be responsible at all times for the technical operation of the station and shall make all adjustments of the transmitting equipment other than minor adjustments which normally are needed in the daily operation of the station;

PROVIDED FURTHER, that nothing contained herein shall be construed to relieve a station licensee of responsibility for operation of the station in exact accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Commission; and

PROVIDED FURTHER, that Section 13.61 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations Governing Commercial Radio Operators shall remain in full force and effect except as modified by this Order.

BY THE COMMISSION



T. J. Slawie,  
Secretary.