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§ 80.177 When operator license is not required.

(a) Make equipment adjustments which may affect transmitter operation;
(b) Operate any transmitter which requires more than the use of simple external switches or manual frequency selection or transmitters whose frequency stability is not maintained by the transmitter itself.

§ 80.169 Operators required to adjust transmitters or radar.

(a) All adjustments of radio transmitters in any radiotelephone station or coincident with the installation, servicing, or maintenance of such equipment which may affect the proper operation of the station, must be performed by or under the immediate supervision and responsibility of a person holding a first or second class radiotelegraph operator’s certificate or a general radiotelephone operator license.
(b) Only persons holding a first or second class radiotelegraph operator certificate must perform such functions at radiotelegraph stations transmitting Morse code.
(c) Only persons holding an operator certificate containing a ship radar endorsement must perform such functions on radar equipment.

§ 80.175 Availability of operator licenses.

All operator licenses required by this subpart must be readily available for inspection.

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(a) No radio operator authorization is required to operate:
(1) A shore radar, a shore radio-location, maritime support or shore radionavigation station;
(2) A survival craft station or an emergency position indicating radio beacon;
(3) A ship radar station if:
   (i) The radar frequency is determined by a nontunable, pulse type magnetron or other fixed tuned device, and
   (ii) The radar is capable of being operated exclusively by external controls;
(4) An on board station; or