Introduction to Winlink

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Presentation Summary

This class is intended for Hams that are interested in worldwide communications using amateur radio email pathways where the internet is not present.   Issues to be addressed in this presentation include:
- What is Winlink?
- Why use Winlink rather that other communication alternatives?
- What do I need in order to use Winlink?
- What does it cost and how can I get started?

Attendees will be shown the what where and how for communications where the internet is not available.