

Signaling Merit Badge instructions for Morsegen Code Program

While on the internet:

Do a search for Morsegen. There are several sources available. Choose one.

Click download

Choose to save it somewhere on your hard drive. Remember where you put it. A lot of users will make a folder on the hard drive called "Downloads".

Choose Save and save it to your new Downloads folder or remember where else you put it.

Exit out of the internet is desired.

Find the place you downloaded the program to.

Double click the executable file name morsegen

Click Run

A message tells you that the code program will install on your computer. Click Yes.

Follow the instructions.

You can read the documentation if you want to or Run the Program.

Morsegen

I probably recommend the Koch method for learning code.

Click on Koch under Practice Type so a dot is place there.

Move the Speed (wpm) slider to 10.

Move the Spacing slicer to Long.

Adjust the Pitch for comfort...probably to about 9000 or a 1000 Hertz.

I have my volume at Max.

The default for the characters is 2. As you learn them then increase the number of characters upward. Make sure your computer speakers are turned on and set to a comfortable level. Have a pencil and paper in front of you for copying the code.

Click on Start button

The computer will then start sending code. After the end of a few characters the letters sent will appear on screen so you can begin telling the difference between them. Begin copying them on paper, only looking up to the screen every now and then to make sure you are correct. It is generally best to print, using block letters. You can use cursive/longhand if it is more comfortable, but history has proven that block letters are easier to read and aren't run together.

If you miss a character leave a space. You can sometimes go back and fill in the blanks later, but try to keep up with the flow. The more you practice, the more comfortable it will become.

As the days go by, and you learn most of the alphabet and numbers then you can click on letter or number groups or Random QSO. See your counselor for additional details.

Practice as much as you can

There are other free code programs that you could search for on the internet, but for now just use this program so you will be on the same page as others in your troop.

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