



Australia's Radio & Critical Communications Association

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Welcome to ARCIA – Australia’s Radio & Critical Communications Association.

We’re very pleased to welcome you to a dynamic community of forward-thinking professionals. By joining ARCIA, you’ve opened the door to a world of opportunities that have been designed to help your organisation and your team achieve more, through information sharing and collaboration.

Our website, www.arcia.org.au, serves as a gateway to relevant information and resources tailored to meet your needs. Dive into past Annual Reports for insights into our activities and performance, or to stay up to date on the latest industry trends, news and activities, including conferences and networking events.

At ARCIA, we’re at the forefront of shaping the future of radio & critical communications in Australia. Collaborating closely with the Australian Communications & Media Authority (ACMA), we champion the interests of our members and advocate for policies that ensure a robust and efficient spectrum management framework. Your voice matters, and through ARCIA, you have a platform to influence real-world decisions that impact our industry.

Networking isn’t just a buzzword at ARCIA—it’s a way of life. Engage with like-minded professionals, participate in workshops, attend conferences, and celebrate sector-wide achievements at our regular events held nationwide. Take advantage of significant member-exclusive discounts for all we deliver, to help maximise your participation and make meaningful connections that help drive your organisation and your team member’s success.

In a rapidly evolving marketplace, where specialised training & education is key, ARCIA is committed to help bridge the gap. We’re actively working with educational institutions and RTO’s (Registered Training Organisations) to develop comprehensive qualifications and training programs that pave the way for future generations of radio & critical communication experts. Whether you’re a seasoned professional or just starting out on your career journey, ARCIA is here to support your growth every step of the way.

Continuous learning is central to our ethos. Through our Professional Development Short Courses, we equip you with the skills and knowledge needed to stay ahead of the curve. From conferences and online classes, to custom face-to-face learning experiences, we offer flexible learning opportunities tailored to your schedule and needs.

Your feedback matters to us – if you have ideas, concerns, or suggestions, we’re here to listen. Reach out to us through our website or connect with our dedicated committee members in your state—they’re here to assist you and advise where and when we can help you with your specific needs.

Welcome to ARCIA—a dynamic, member-focused organisation where innovation thrives, connections grow, and opportunities are created.

Together, we can shape the future of radio & critical communications in Australia and beyond.

THE SERVICES YOUR ASSOCIATION PROVIDES

COLLABORATION WITH ACMA

ARCIA actively partners with the Australian Communications & Media Authority (ACMA) to safeguard and optimise the spectrum, ensuring its relevance and effectiveness. This includes providing insights, recommendations, and representing member concerns in response to ACMA's discussion papers. **Your voice matters, and ARCIA serves as a conduit for amplifying your opinions and advocating for your interests.**



ARCIA EVENTS

- **State Conferences:** Experience our annual gatherings in key cities across Australia, including Perth, Sydney, Adelaide and Brisbane, where wireless communications professionals converge to exchange ideas, insights, and innovations.
- **State Networking Dinners:** Elevate your networking game at our state dinners that take place in conjunction with our conferences. Bring your team along for an evening of networking, recognition, and entertainment, including the presentation of the State Professional of the Year Awards.
- **Annual Gala Dinner:** Mark your calendars for our flagship event in Melbourne, held in conjunction with Comms Connect. Join local and international guests in radio and critical communications for a night of celebration, top-class entertainment and networking. Don't miss the opportunity to nominate deserving individuals in your sphere for prestigious awards.
- **Sundowners:** Unwind and connect at our informal networking events held across various cities throughout the year, from Hobart to Perth, Newcastle to Brisbane. Stay informed about upcoming Sundowners through our newsletters and social media channels.
- **Professional Development:** Elevate your team's skills and expertise through our comprehensive Professional Development training workshops. Whether in-person during conferences or online via platforms like Zoom and Teams, access tailored training sessions designed to empower professionals nationwide. We also offer custom training options to meet specific needs, ensuring you stay ahead in this dynamic field.



TRAINING & EDUCATION

ARCIA recognises the need for enhanced training and education opportunities in the radio and critical communications sector. We actively collaborate with TAFEs, private RTOs, and other educational institutions to develop and deliver relevant content. Your input is invaluable—share your suggestions and feedback to shape future training initiatives and expand our Professional Development offerings.

REGULAR NEWSLETTERS

Stay informed with our comprehensive newsletters, delivered to your inbox throughout the year. Discover valuable insights, industry updates, upcoming events, and opportunities for professional growth. Spread the word within your organisation and encourage your team members and colleagues to subscribe, so that they too can stay abreast of the latest developments

Remember, our website features an event calendar detailing activities throughout the year. Visit the page to stay updated on upcoming events and initiatives. At ARCIA, we're committed to empowering you with knowledge, connections, and opportunities for success in the dynamic world of radio communications.

SOCIAL MEDIA PRESENCE

Stay connected and informed through ARCIA's active presence on social media. Engage with our [LinkedIn Group Page](#) to stay updated on events and topics of interest. Whilst we encourage participation, comments and reposts, please note that this isn't a channel for advertising material.

ACMA INTERACTIONS

ARCIA maintains close ties with the Australian Communications & Media Authority (ACMA), advocating for industry interests and addressing critical issues related to spectrum management. Through regular meetings with ACMA management, we facilitate open and constructive dialogue, addressing member concerns and influencing policy decisions. If you encounter challenges with licensing or frequency allocation, don't hesitate to reach out—we're here to advocate on your behalf.

WHITE PAPERS AND PUBLICATIONS

Access valuable insights and resources through ARCIA's collection of white papers and publications, covering a wide range of industry topics. Explore documents such as:

- [Intrinsically Safe \(IS\) requirements](#)
- [Economic Report on the Value of Spectrum](#)
- [Installation Standard for Vehicle Equipment](#)
- [Interconnection of VHF Airband and LMR](#)
- [Programming UHF CB Radio Channels](#)
- [ACMA Equipment Standards](#)
- [Members Code of Conduct](#)

These documents are available for free on our website, providing essential information to industry professionals and stakeholders.

EXCELLENCE AWARDS

Nominate deserving individuals for ARCIA's annual Excellence awards, recognising excellence and significant contributions to the field. We recognise achievement and excellence at both the State and National levels.

Categories available for nomination are:

- Local Manufacturing Award
- Major Project Award
- Emerging Talent Award
- Small Business Award
- Industry Innovation Award
- Outstanding Critical Communications Project Award
- Outstanding Professional of the Year Award

Note: The winners from each State Professional of the Year Award are the respective nominees for this National Award.

- Jonathan Livingstone Seagull Award

Note: This award winner is selected by previous year's JLS Award winners and is presented to someone who has achieved and excelled above their peers, and has also given back to the community without personal gain. The winners of this award usually have many years of contribution and are recognised as legends of the industry.

Submit your nominations and celebrate industry achievements at our prestigious events held nationwide.



GENERAL SUPPORT

Have questions or need assistance? ARCIA is here to help – With extensive industry knowledge and connections, we provide general support and guidance to members and stakeholders. Reach out to us for assistance or information, and we'll ensure you're connected to the resources you need.

CONTACT ARCIA

- For accounts queries: accounts@arcia.org.au
- For all other inquiries: info@arcia.org.au

Visit our website or email us directly—we're here to support you every step of the way.

ARCIA BRANDING



LOGO GUIDELINES

The official ARCIA logo is available for members to use to show their membership and affiliation with ARCIA, but must adhere to the below guidelines.

The logo must not be used in conjunction with other business names/tags/logos that might let anyone construe that another organisation is part of ARCIA. This logo should be used for recognition that an organisation is a member of ARCIA.

LOCKUP WITH MEMBER LOGO

The ARCIA logo may be used beside a member logo in a 'lockup' format (as shown right), where the ARCIA logo must always be on the left hand side of the dividing line.

The 'A' white space rule applies to either side of the dividing line, and around all other sides of the ARCIA logo.



SURROUNDING SPACE

ARCIA logos require a 'breather' of white space around them. The 'A' from the text 'ARCIA' must be used as the reference spacer on all sides of logo.

LOGO SIZING

Where the ARCIA logo is to be used in an environment—such as a PowerPoint slide—along with other organisations' logos, then it must be sized relative to the other logos.

The minimum size of the logo is 1 cm high.



PLACEMENT ON BUSY BACKGROUNDS

For use on busy backgrounds, add a white 'tab' and place the ARCIA logo on top.



LOGO ALIGNMENT

Use the left hand side of the blue shape as a reference point to align with text or images below—not the left hand side of the stars.



LOGO MISUSE

The ARCIA logo must NOT be altered in any way. The proportions of the logo must not be changed, for example, distorted, stretched, nor may it be rotated. The colours of the logo must not be changed, nor any special effects added.

