Guidelines for using VE3YYZ DSTAR Gateway system in Toronto – March 2016

Thank you very much for using DSTAR technology in your Amateur Radio Activities.

Local Amateur Radio Guidelines for use of the VE3YYZ repeater.

Module A (SHF) 1287.5000 -12 MHz is to be used for experimental purposes and voice communications .

Module AD (SHF Data) 1250.0000 MHz is to be used for experimental data communications but NOT connected to the Internet for long periods of time. Please remember that 3rd party non amateur communications are not allowed.

Module B (UHF) 442.7000 +5 MHz should not be used for long-term linking except for nets or stated emergencies. It is to be used for person to person communications, situational reporting (beaconing) and short-term linking to reflectors or individual stations or repeaters. You should announce that you are connecting to a reflector and monitor its activities as long as you are on the air. If you have to leave the radio, please disconnect the connected station. Unless there is a good reason to have it connected for a longer period of time (say to do some range testing or something similar) please do not use VE3YYZ B for long term linking.

Module C (VHF) 144.9400 + 0.6000 MHz on the other hand, can be used for long term linking. However, if you had initialized the link, as a licensed radio amateur, you are obligated to monitor the traffic and disconnect when it no longer needed. Some of the reasons for long-term linking would be to:
1. Generate DSTAR activity on a local channel for the purpose of testing,
2. Monitor activities in another area of the Country or another Country,
3. Participate in a net or activity spanning a longer period of time (One example is Dayton weekend in May)

I would appreciate adherence to these guidelines if possible and above all else, enjoy yourself.
If you have any questions about permitted operating procedures on VE3YYZ you can always contact me, either on the air or via email at ve3e at rac.ca

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