



## **The 3-Step Guide to Getting on Digital Mobile Radio (DMR)**

Are you new to DMR radio or just trying to learn how to get on the air? At BridgeCom Systems, we've created a foolproof and straightforward guide for helping Hams getting on Digital Mobile Radio. It's pretty simple; we'll take you through how to get your DMR ID, how to find a quality DMR handheld, and how to make your first DMR contact!



### STEP 1:

You need to get your unique DMR ID. Visit [RadioID.net](http://RadioID.net), register with your amateur radio call sign, and obtain a DMR ID. RadioID.net has an automated registration process that allows you to get a unique DMR ID instantly.

Why do you need an ID? This ID will let you take and use your DMR radio anywhere in the world and be uniquely identified and access DMR networks to communicate. We've included a step-by-step guide on how to get your DMR ID:

[DMR ID Guide →](#)



**AnyTone  
AT-D878UVII  
Plus**



## **STEP 2: Find a Quality DMR Handheld**

You need a high-quality, well-crafted radio that's heavily supported by the company you bought it from. Support is critical when considering the purchase of a radio, especially when it comes to DMR. You need to partner with a company that's invested in your success. Because you're going to have a lot of questions probably, frequently folks new to DMR will buy a low-priced DMR handheld and soon after finding themselves lost if problems arise. They'll make an effort to contact the vendor they purchased the radio from and then be told to contact the manufacturer. This creates a great amount of grief and causes a lot of people to simply give up on DMR due to no available support. This can't be stressed enough - you want to make absolutely sure you partner with a good company that has the resources to help you be successful!

At BridgeCom Systems, we are committed to your success and enjoyment with DMR. Ham Radio is supposed to be fun! That's why we've partnered with AnyTone, makers of the popular AnyTone AT-D878UVII Plus dual-band UHF/VHF DMR radio. The 878UVII Plus makes getting on DMR very easy, and we support it 100%. We've sold thousands of AnyTone's AT-D878UVII Plus DMR radio and it has proven to be an extremely reliable and versatile radio. Our extensive knowledge of the AT-D878UVII Plus and DMR makes us a good partner for you.



### STEP 3: Make a Contact



#### 1. Local Repeater

You'll need to find a local repeater. This is relatively easy. We suggest you visit [www.RepeaterBook.com](http://www.RepeaterBook.com) and search for a DMR repeater in your area. From there, you can obtain the repeater credentials to create a code plug for your radio. Another option would be to contact your local amateur radio club and see if they support DMR. They should be able to steer you in the right direction. You'll want to inquire and see what talk groups are available, what color codes are used, and what network the repeater is

connected to. Is your local repeater connected to BrandMeister, DMRMARC.net, or something else?



## 2. DMR HotSpot

If you don't have access to a local repeater or want to be as autonomous as possible, the best way to communicate worldwide is through a DMR Hotspot. A DMR hotspot is an internet-based access point that allows you to use your DMR radio to communicate with other connected repeaters or HotSpots. Simply put, if you have an internet connection, you can connect to the Brandmeister network and talk all over the world.

If you're a Do-it-Yourselfer, we hope this 3-step process dramatically helps you get on the air with DMR. However, if this all seems overwhelming and you want to press the EASY button to get on DMR, we have that. We offer a bundle we like to call the Plug and Play package. This package comes in many variations, but our most popular offer is the 878UVII Plus Package. In this ready-to-use bundle comes the AnyTone 878UVII Plus and the SkyBridge Plus Digital Hotspot.

Each radio bundle is tailor-made to fit the exact programming specifications of each user. All we need is your DMR ID, callsign, and state of residence. Once we have all your information, we'll program your package with everything you'll need to make your first DMR QSO in only minutes.

Of course, we wouldn't take all this time putting together this package specific to you without making sure you get the most out of it. To make sure you enjoy your radio, we include our beginner to expert radio course, BridgeCom University. You'll have access to easy-to-follow tutorial videos in this radio course, enabling you to grow your radio know-how. In a matter of days, you'll be able to call yourself a DMR expert. Here's the best part: Right now, if you order this bundled package and use code PNP50, you can save \$50!



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