

kerchunking

The only thing more annoying than someone constantly asking for signal reports on a repeater is when they just kerchunk it over and over again without IDing.

When someone keys up on a repeater to see if they can get into it, it is called "kerchunking" after the sound heard on your speaker when the repeater drops and your squelch closes. The only right way to kerchunk a repeater is to give your call sign. Briefly press your PTT to see if the repeater responds. Wait for it to ID (if it has been idle for the last 20 minutes) and then key up again to give your call sign. Even if you can't key the repeater, you should still give your call sign!

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