

Announcing: 2020 CQWW DX RTTY Contest

September 26-27
Starts 0000 UTC Saturday;
Ends 2359 UTC Sunday

Join more than 5,000 participants from over 150 DX entities and all 40 CQ Zones in the world's largest RTTY contest.

The CQ World Wide DX RTTY Contest (CQWW RTTY) offers 48 hours of non-stop DX chasing fun. Whether you are competing for awards, looking for a few new band-countries, or simply filling the logbook, the CQWW has something for everyone. Check out the Classic and Rookie Overlay Categories.

Contest Basics

Working stations is easy. Exchange and log signal report and your CQ Zone number, e.g 599 14. Continental U.S. and VE stations also send QTH, e.g., 599 05 MA. If you're not sure which zone you're in, visit <http://bit.ly/1BHtmsP>. Generally speaking, the U.S. West Coast is in Zone 3, the East Coast is in Zone 5, and the rest of the lower 48 is in Zone 4.

Contacts are only valid on the 3.5-, 7-, 14-, 21-, and 28-MHz amateur bands. Please observe established band plans.

Scoring

Final score is based on QSO points earned for each contact times the number of multipliers worked.

Multipliers are the number of DX entities worked on each band plus the number of CQ Zones worked on each band plus the number of US/VE QTHs worked on each band.

Contacts with other continents count three points each. Contacts with the same continent, but different country, count two points. Same country contacts count one point.

Don't worry about calculating your score; the contest log checking software will do that for you when you submit a log.

Entry Categories

The competition is divided into Single Operator and Multi-Operator categories. Single Operator categories also offer two additional Overlay categories.

Single Operator (all bands or any single band): only the one operator finds, makes, and logs all contacts.

- High power: Up to 1,500 watts
- Low power: 100 watts or less
- QRP: 5 watts or less

Single Operator Assisted (all bands or any single band): the one operator may use the DX Cluster or other tools to help find contacts. The one operator must make and log all contacts.

Classic Overlay: Allows the use of only one radio, no QSO finding assistance, and only counts the first 24 hours of operating time — off times are a minimum of 60 minutes during which no QSO is logged. Single Operator Assisted entries are not eligible for this Overlay category.

Rookie Overlay: Only open to operators who were first licensed as radio amateurs less than three (3) years before the date of the contest. Indicate date licensed in the soapbox field of your log.

Multi-Operator: More than one person is involved in operating the station.

Single-Transmitter: This category allows one transmitter to work any station. It may change bands as many as 8 times per hour. Note: A second transmitter may be used to work multipliers only. This category has some very specific restrictions so please read the full rules carefully.

- High power: Up to 1,500 watts
- Low power: 100 watts or less

Two-Transmitter: Allows the use of two transmitted signals on two bands. Each station may change bands as many as 8 times per hour.

Unlimited: Allows the use of one transmitted signal on each of the five bands.

Awards

Electronic certificates will be made available for download for everyone who submits an entry.

Submitting Your Log

All entrants who use a computer to log the contest or prepare their contest logs **MUST** submit their logs electronically. Electronic logs should be in the Cabrillo format. Upload your log on the Web at www.cqww.com/logcheck/. The website also includes a utility to convert your ADIF format log file if needed. See full rules for instructions regarding paper logs.

All entries must be sent **WITHIN FIVE (5) DAYS** after the end of the contest: No later than 2359 UTC **October 2, 2020**. Resubmitting an entry after the deadline will result in it being considered as a late log.

Only one entry is permitted for each callsign. Any log submission will replace any previous submissions.

Full Rules

The complete rules of the CQWW RTTY DX Contest are available in different languages on the Web at www.cqwwrtty.com/rules.htm

Please review the rules before the contest. Questions may be submitted by email to questions@cqwwrtty.com.