

2002 NEW HAMPSHIRE QSO PARTY Rules

The New Hampshire QSO Party is sponsored by the New Hampshire Section of the American Radio Relay League to promote Amateur Radio activity within the State of New Hampshire.

OBJECT:

To provide an opportunity for Amateur Radio Operators to contact and exchange QSO information with New Hampshire Amateur Radio operators during the contest period in accordance with the rules of operation.

RULES OF OPERATION:

1. Operation will be in accordance with current FCC rules.
2. The use of spotting nets, by way of repeaters, packet nodes, simplex operation, telephone or any other means is prohibited in all categories of operation by New Hampshire stations.
3. The use of spotting nets, by way of repeaters and packet nodes is permitted by NON-New Hampshire stations..
4. Operation on all bands and modes is permitted, except on 12 meters, 17 meters and 30 meters.
5. Amateur satellite transponder operation is allowed.
6. Stations may be worked once per band per mode. The digital mode includes CW, RTTY, Packet, PSK31 and all other non-speech modes. The phone mode includes AM, SSB and FM.
7. The NH QSO Party will begin at 0000Z on Saturday, February 2 (7:00 PM Friday local time) and end at 2400Z Sunday, February 3 (7:00 PM local time). Stations may only work a total of 24-hours during this 48-hour contest. Station down times must be for a minimum of fifteen (15) Minutes. Down times must be clearly marked in log.
8. All logs must be submitted no later than 31 March of the year in which the contest takes place. For purposes of clarification, separate logs may be submitted, if desired for each mode. Dupe sheets are required for all stations submitting more than 200 contacts.
9. Any station not abiding by any of the rules will be disqualified.
10. Software and Summary Sheets for the contest will be available in January 2002 for downloading from <http://www.nhradio.org/nh-qso>

SUGGESTED FREQUENCIES:

CW-	1.810, 3.535, 7.035, 14.035, 21.035, 28.035
PHONE-	1.875, 3.935, 3.950, 7.235, 14.280, 21.380, 28.390
OTHER-	50.115, 144.205, 29.610, 52.540, 146.55, 223.50, 446.000, 902.100, 1296.100

NH stations will be calling "**CQ NH QSO Party**" on all modes.

EXCHANGE:

New Hampshire Stations –

- Send signal report and county (Example: 59, Merrimack).

Non-New Hampshire Stations –

- USA Stations send signal report and State. (Example: 59, Texas)
- Canadian Stations send signal report and Province. (Example: 59, Quebec)
- DX Stations send signal report and a serial number starting at 001. (Example: 59, 024)

STATION CATEGORIES:

- Single Transmitter QRP (less than 5 Watts entire period)
- Single Transmitter Low Power (less than 150 Watts entire period)
- Single Transmitter High Power (more than 150 Watts anytime)
- Multi Transmitter QRP (less than 5 Watts entire period)
- Multi Transmitter Low Power (less than 150 Watts entire period)
- Multi Transmitter High Power (more than 150 Watts anytime)
- 50 MHz and above: All the above categories

* Any stations not clearly indicating power level on their submitted log will be considered to have operated in the High Power category for the entire contest period.

CLUB CATEGORIES (NH Only):

- Small Club (49 members or less)
- Large Club (50 members or more)

Inter-Club competition (NH-Club Stations ONLY) Winners will be determined based on the club station score, plus any scores contributed by an individual station in which the station operator is a member of that club in good standing.

While operating under a club call sign a station operator will not earn contest points towards their individual station score.

POINT SCORING:

Count one (1) point per phone QSO

Count two (2) points per digital QSO

MULTIPLIERS:

New Hampshire Stations

Your multiplier is:

- The number of NH counties worked
- States *(excluding NH)* worked
- VE provinces/territories worked
- And one (1) DXCC country **(excluding USA, Canada, Alaska and Hawaii)**

- All additional DXCC countries worked do not count as multipliers. However, they do count as contacts.

A maximum of seventy-three (73) multipliers is allowed:

1	DXCC country
49	States
10	NH counties
<u>13</u>	<u>Canadian Provinces</u>
73	Multipliers

* Washington DC QSOs count as Maryland Contacts

** Maritime mobile contacts should be counted as a QSO but not as a multiplier

Non-New Hampshire Stations

- Your multiplier is the number of New Hampshire counties worked.
- A maximum of ten (10) multipliers is allowed.

FINAL SCORE:

- Multiply the total QSO points times your multiplier to arrive at your final score.

LOG SUBMISSION:

Logs must be submitted to the NH contest chairman, by 31 March 2001. Paper logs and electronic logs (ASCII log file and a summary file) may be sent to:

NH-ARRL QSO Party
 PO Box 119
 Goffstown, NH 03045-0119

Or e-mailed to NH-QSO@nhradio.org

AWARDS:

General:

Awards will be issued to the highest scoring station in each of the following categories: (minimum of 10 QSOs per submission)

- In each NH station categories
- Individual Station in each NH county
- In each State
- In each Canadian Province
- In each DX Country

Other Awards:

- Certificates will be issued to all other New Hampshire participating stations.
- Certificates of Recognition may be issued, at the discretion of the NH-ARRL, to stations, which show special effort, above and beyond normal activities.

ADMINISTRATION:

The NH-ARRL shall annually appoint a QSO Party chairperson whose responsibilities shall include the publication of the NH QSO Party announcement in amateur radio magazines, journals, web sites, newsletters published by NH Amateur Radio clubs and any other publications deemed appropriate. This published information should include the contest rules, contest date, hours of operation, suggested operating frequencies, software availability and any other issues of importance. The QSO Party chairperson will also oversee the receipt of all logs and has the final authority to resolve issues relating to the rules of the contest and the tabulation of scores. The QSO party Chairperson shall be responsible for the proper tabulation of contest logs. The QSO Party Chairperson is also responsible for the issuance of all NH QSO Party awards.

RULE CHANGES:

Rules may be changed by the NH-ARRL with proper notice given prior to contest date.

Adopted: 1 December, 2001