

New Hampshire QSO Party Rules

Objective:

The New Hampshire QSO Party is sponsored by the Port City Amateur Radio Club (PCARC) to promote amateur radio activity within the State of New Hampshire and is open to all licensed amateur radio operators worldwide.

NH Stations contact as many participants in states, provinces, and DXCC countries during the contest period. Stations outside of New Hampshire contact as many New Hampshire stations as possible during the contest period.

Contest Period:

Third weekend in September
2023: September 16 – 17, 2023

Time:

1600Z to 2200Z each day
Total operating time is twelve (12) hours over contest period.

Frequency Bands:

80 meters through 10 meters, excluding 12, 17, 30, and 60 meters.

Suggested frequencies:

CW 35 kHz up from bottom edge of band
SSB US General Band.

Modes:

CW
Digital
Phone

Classes:

Single transmitter
QRP, low, and high power
Unassisted or assisted

Single transmitter, multi-operator
Low and high power
Unassisted or assisted

Multi transmitter, multi-operator
Low and high power

Power Categories:

High: >100 watts to legal limit
Low: ≤ 100 watts
QRP: ≤ 5 watts

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Exchange:

NH: RS(T) + County

Example: *59, Rockingham or 5NN ROC on CW*

Outside NH W/VE: RS(T) + (State/Province)

USA Example: *59 Texas*

Canada example: *59 Quebec*

DX: RS(T) + DX

Example: *59 DX*

Work Stations:

Once per band per mode

QSO Point Credit:

One point per phone QSO

Two points for each CW or digital QSO

Multipliers:

NH Stations: Your multiplier is the number of NH counties, states (excluding NH), VE provinces/territories and up to ten (10) DXCC countries (excluding USA, Canada, Alaska and Hawaii) worked. All additional DXCC countries worked do not count toward your multiplier, but they do count as contacts.

Washington DC QSOs count as Maryland contacts. Maritime mobile contacts should be counted as a QSO but not as a multiplier

Non-NH Stations: Your multiplier is the number of NH counties worked to a maximum of ten (10). You may only count each county once.

Score Calculation:

Total score = total QSO points x total multiplier

Log Submittal:

Electronic log submission is the preferred method and highly recommended

Email your Cabrillo formatted log to: **[NHQP \[at\] w1wqm \[dot\] org](mailto:NHQP[at]w1wqm[dot]org)**

If you must submit a paper log please mail it to the following address:

Port City Amateur Radio Club

PO Box 2060

Seabrook, NH 03874-2060

Deadline for log submission is October 1 for mail and electronic methods.

Awards:

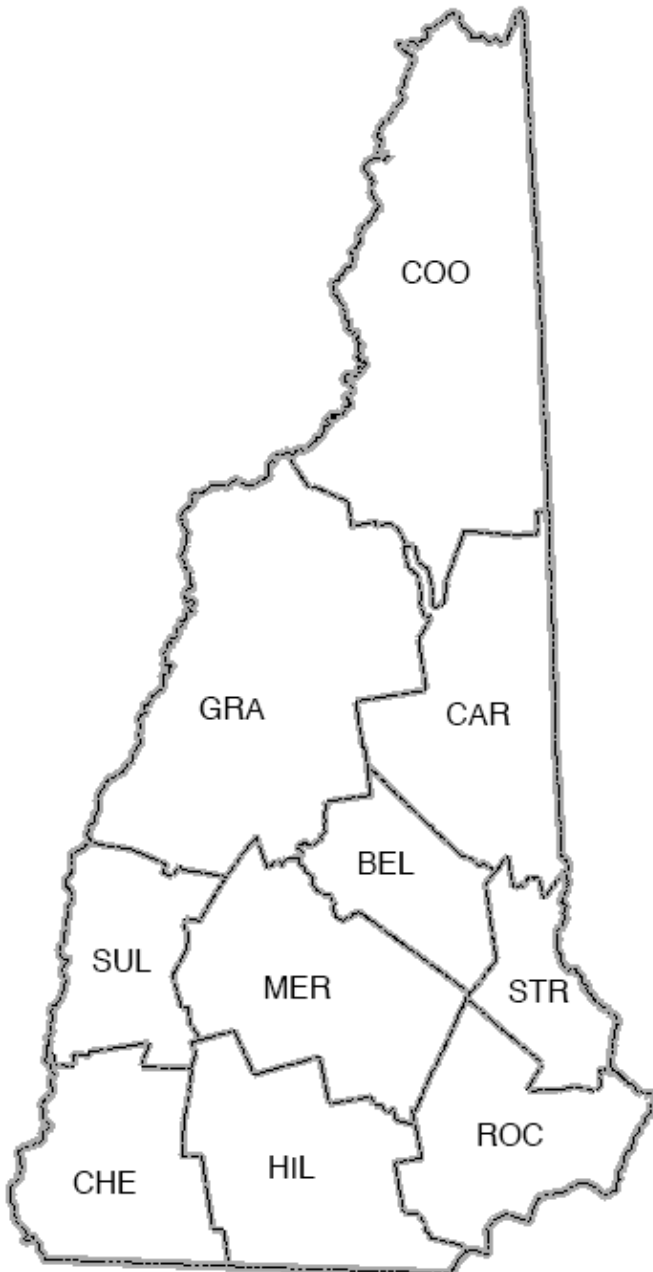
Certificates will be emailed to participants that place first in their respective category (print out from pdf). Each county winner, each state/province winner, highest DX station score shall receive a certificate.

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General Rules:

1. All participants must comply with your countries' regulations and requirements.
2. Self-spotting is permitted.
3. 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.
4. The use of repeaters is prohibited.

Map of New Hampshire Counties



NH County Abbreviations:

BEL	Belnap
CAR	Carroll
CHE	Cheshire
COO	Coos
GRA	Grafton
HIL	Hillsborough
MER	Merrimack
ROC	Rockingham
STR	Strafford
SUL	Sullivan