

New Hampshire QSO Party Rules

United States/Canada state/province QSO party
Open to all world wide participants

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 NH contact as many NH stations as possible during the contest period.

Contest Period:

Third weekend in September
2024: September 21 - 22, 2024
2025: September 20 - 21, 2025
2026: September 19 - 20, 2026

Time:

1600 Z to 0400 Z Saturday; 1200 Z to 2200 Z Sunday.
Total operating time 22 hours.

Frequency Bands:

80 meters through 10 meters, except WARC bands 12, 17, and 30 meters.

Suggested frequencies:

CW 35 kHz up from bottom, SSB US general band.

Modes:

CW
Digital
Phone

Classes:

Single transmitter, QRP, low, and high power.
Single transmitter, multi-operator low and high power.
Multi transmitter, multi-operator low and high power.

Maximum Power:

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

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Exchange:

NH: RS(T) + County

Phone example: 59, three letter NH county abbreviation.

CW example: 5NN three letter NH county abbreviation.

Digital: signal report according to mode and NH county abbreviation.

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

Phone example: 59, state or province abbreviation.

CW example: 5NN state or province abbreviation.

Digital: signal report according to mode and state or province abbreviation.

DX: RS(T) + DX

Phone example: 59, DX.

CW example: 5NN DX.

Digital: signal report according to mode and DX.

Work Stations:

Once per band per mode

QSO Point Credit:

One (1) point per phone QSO; Two (2) points by CW/digital QSO

Multipliers:

NH Stations: Each NH county, each state, each Canadian province and up to 10 DXCC country once.

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

Non-NH Stations: Count each NH county only once for a maximum multiplier of ten (10).

Score Calculation:

Total score = total QSO points x total multipliers

Log Submittal:

Electronic log submission is the preferred method and highly recommended. Submit a Cabrillo formatted log by email 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: October 1st

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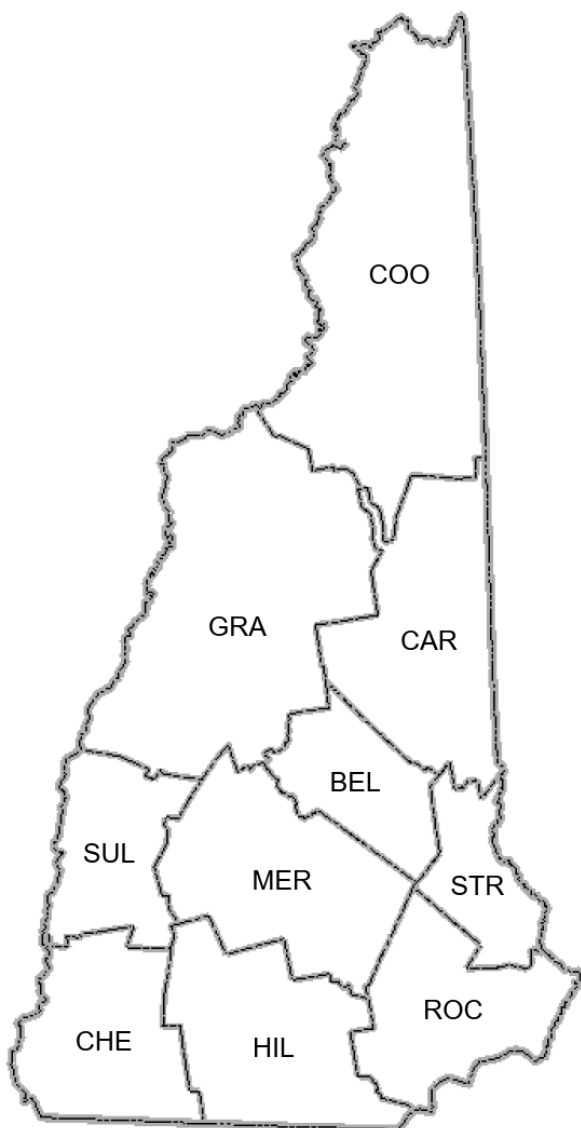
General Rules:

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.

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.

Reference Map of New Hampshire Counties



NH County Abbreviations

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