

# W4GO/M



After operating from the home station for the last five editions of the VA QSO Party, it's time for something different this year: HF mobile.

The mobile station will be equipped for 80 m, 40 m, 20 m and 15 m SSB; and 2 m FM.

I plan to operate pretty much the entire contest duration both days.

My tentative activation itinerary is as follows:

Saturday: WES, RIC, ESS, LAN, NUM, LAN (2), MID, MAT, GLO, KQN, KWM, NEW, JAM, WMX, YOR, NNX, YOR (2), PQX, HAX, NFX, VBX, NHA, ACC, NHA (2)

Sunday: NHA (3), VBX (2), NFX (2), CPX, POX, SUX, IOW, SUR, PRG, CCY, PRG (2), HOX, PRG (3), PBX, COX, CHE, RIX, HCO, HAN, CLN, SPO, FBX, STA, FAU

The numbers in parentheses indicate a 2nd or 3rd time in that county/city as necessitated by the route. I will generally try to be on the air during those additional passes. The average operating time for each unique county/city works out to 39 minutes.

I will try to allocate more time to the rare ones at the expense of the not-so-rare ones. Check [qsoparty.com](http://qsoparty.com) often to find spots indicating my frequency and QTH. Please contribute spots if convenient.

I will generally try to run (CQ) on 80 m or 40 m -- whichever is best for in-state coverage at the moment. That could well be 80 m day and night again like last year. If conditions are such that neither band is satisfactory for in-state activity, I will hop among 40 m, 20 m and 15 m to look for out-of-state contacts.

The 2 m radio will generally be switched off. If you think I'll be passing within VHF range of your station and you want to arrange to work on 2 m FM simplex, send me an email in advance (see [QRZ.com](http://QRZ.com)), and I'll call you when in the neighborhood.

For last-minute changes to my itinerary due to weather or other circumstances, see my profile on [QRZ.com](http://QRZ.com). I will update it with current information leading up to the contest. I look forward to giving you a new mult!

73, Matt W4GO/M