

2020

WEST VIRGINIA QSO PARTY

Sponsored by the West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council.

Saturday June 20, 2020: noon - midnight Eastern time

(1600Z Saturday June 20, 2020 through 0400Z Sunday June 21, 2020)

The Annual WV QSO party is held each year to celebrate West Virginia's admission to the Union on June 20 1863. If June 20th is not a Saturday, the QSO Party is held the Saturday immediately prior.

MAIN CATEGORIES

You may only submit an entry for one category. As an example, if you are operating as mobile using QRP power limitations; you can be either Mobile or QRP.

Remote operating is permitted and the use of spotting nets is allowed to encourage contest participation.

Single op (Fixed)

No more than one signal on the air, one person operating and logging.

Multi/Multi (Fixed)

Unlimited number of signals and operators.

QRP (Fixed or Mobile)

No more than one signal on the air, one person operating and logging.

Max Power 10W Voice and 5W CW.

Mobile Operations

Mobile stations may work and may be worked by other stations upon changing counties. Mobile stations may operate from a county line if the **definition*** of a county line is met. A station working a station on a county line may receive credit for both counties as multipliers and mobiles may receive bonus points for each county.

West Virginia stations on a county line may be claimed as both a QSO and a multiplier from each county. (2 QSO's and 2 multipliers)

*County line **definition**: County lines are defined as where two counties meet as long as the line is not "wet". "Wet" is defined as two counties that are separated by water, i.e., creek, river, lake, etc. You may **not** operate from a bridge connecting two counties.

Mobiles: Keep separate log for each county.

Power Categories

QRP 10W Voice and 5 watts CW or less at all times.

Low Power 100 watts or less

High Power 101 watts and above

Modes

CW

SSB

PSK/RTTY (Digital)

Bands

80m through 10m, no WARC bands.

Suggested frequencies:

CW (khz): 3545 7045 14045 21045 28045

SSB (khz): 3825 7185 14250 21300 28450

PSK/RTTY (Digital) (khz): 3580 7080 14080 21080 28080

Multipliers

Out-of-State Stations - Multipliers are West Virginia counties (55 max).

West Virginia Stations - Multipliers are:

West Virginia counties (55 max/band)

U.S. states (50 max - West Virginia counts as a state, District of Columbia counts as Maryland) and Canadian Provinces (13 max/band).

DXCC entities (*see ARRL DXCC list*) – USA, Alaska, Hawaii, and Canada are NOT counted as DXCC entities.

Points

Points will be scored as outlined on the current year's summary sheet and as indicated below:

On all HF bands, CW and other digital modes count separately. For example, you can work W1AW on 80 CW; 80 RTTY; and 80 SSB, for three contacts on 80 meters. All digital modes besides CW are equivalent. If you work W1AW on 80 RTTY you cannot work him again on 80 PSK31.

Exchange

WV stations send RST and county.

All others send RST and State/Province/or DXCC country.

Bonus

Bonus Points: Work **W8WVA** once per band per mode and receive 100 points for each contact (to be added to final score).

West Virginia mobiles receive a bonus of 100 points for each West Virginia County activated from which they log at least one (1) valid contact.

QSL Cards/LOTW

The W8WVA QSL manager is Mike, W8SI. Also upload to LOTW for state only confirmations. If you need county send QSL Card per QRZ page instructions.

Final Score

Multiply QSO points by the number of multipliers. Then add the **W8WVA** and/or mobile bonus points for the final score. As computer based logging programs and scoring may or may not be up to date, the current Summary Sheet will be the official document for scoring and must be submitted regardless of whether a computer based log is utilized.

Logs and summary sheet must be e-mailed or postmarked no later than July 10, 2020 to: Randy Goff KD8G, 1289 Washington Gardens Cir, Washington, WV 26181.

Send email logs to wvqlogs@gmail.com. -To prevent files overwriting when the emailed log is downloaded, your file should be named wv20yourcall. Example of file name to be used is wv20kd8g.

Do not send logs on any media such as floppy disks, DVD, CD or thumb drives as only printed or electronic logs will be accepted.

Email confirmation will be sent to all entrants who send electronic logs.
If log is submitted by US Mail and a confirmation is requested please provide a Self Addressed Stamped Post Card.

AWARDS

Certificates will be sent to high score in each category in and out of state.

Categories:

WV Single Operator High Power
WV Single Operator Low Power
WV Mobile
WV Multi/Multi
WV QRP

Out of State Single Operator High Power
Out of State Single Operator Low Power
Out of State QRP

We hope to CU in the 2020 WVQP. Pse Join Us!
73 from West Virginia