

2010 D-STAR Contest Rules

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1. SPONSOR:

ICOM Incorporated

2. PERIOD OF CONTEST OPERATION:

UTC 00:00 June 19, 2010 (Sat.) to 24:00 June 27, 2010 (Sun.)

3. CONTEST ENTRY QUALIFICATION:

Any ham radio station worldwide operating D-STAR equipment

The use of the following technologies for contest QSO's will not be valid for this contest.

D-PLUS, DV Dongle, HotSpot, Digital/Analog, Gateways, DV Adapters and similar third party D-STAR equipment/applications.

4. BANDS AND MODES:

144, 430(440) and 1200MHz bands, DV mode

5. ENTRY CATEGORIES

CATEGORY	ABBREVIATION	REPEATER	TARGET STATIONS
Single operator, <u>W</u> orld <u>R</u> epeater	WR	Must use	All Ham Stations Worldwide (Including within your own country)
Single operator, <u>W</u> orld <u>S</u> implex	WS	Not available	All Ham Stations Worldwide (Including within your own country)
Single operator, <u>J</u> apan Domestic <u>R</u> epeater	JR	Must use	Japan Domestic stations only
Single operator, <u>J</u> apan Domestic <u>S</u> implex	JS	Not available	Japan Domestic stations only

Note: Multiple entry to different categories is allowed (e.g. entry to WR and WS)
JR/JS categories are allowed to entry for Japanese Domestic Stations only.

6. METHOD OF OPERATION:

a) Call "CQ D-STAR contest"

b) Exchange the contest number

For Standard Stations:

The Contest number is [RS type signal report] + [The first year you were licensed (4-digits)]

(E.g.: 59 1952, 59 1978, 59 1999, 59 2001, 59 2009, etc.)

For Bonus Stations:

The Contest number is [RS type signal report] + [The first year you were licensed (4-digits)] + [B]

(E.g.: 59 1952B, 59 1978B, 59 1999B, 59 2001B, 59 2009B, etc.)

Even if your call sign has changed or there have been periods when your license may have been invalid, please send the year you were first licensed.

7. SCORING AND MULTIPLIERS:

(1) Scoring

The following scoring will be applied to QSO's with a complete signal report exchange.

Contacts between stations in the same entity : 1 point.

Contacts between stations in different entities : 2 points.

Contacts with the following stations (Contest sponsor related stations): 3 points.

JQ1YLI, JQ1YOL, JI2ZYH, JA3YUA, JL3YKZ, JL3YRP, JE4YJG, JR5YAP, JH6ZKR, JE7YWW, JR8YKT, G4ICM, IQ3DQ, N9JA, SY1ICOM, VE3EI, VE7SUN, VK3COM

In the WS category, contacts between the same stations in different bands are eligible. (In the WR category, contacts between the same stations in different bands are invalid.)

Please log the working frequency (kHz unit) for each contact.

In the WR category, please log your uplink frequency.

(E.g.: 144.76MHz should be written as 144760)

(2) Multipliers

The number of valid ARRL DXCC entities worked. (Including your own entity)

The same entity in different bands will be counted only at once.

(3) Final score= (QSO points) x (Multipliers)

E.g.: 100 points and 5 multipliers would give you a final score of 500 points.

8. PROHIBITED ACTIONS:

(1) Operators should not transmit 2 or more signals simultaneously
(Either in the same band or different bands)

(2) Violation of amateur radio regulations in the country of the contester, or the rules of the contest; Unsportsmanlike conduct

9. CAUTIONS:

(1) Please consider other users who are not participating in the contest in the use of a local D-Star repeater.

(2) During the contest, contesters are allowed to move within their own entity.

10. DISQUALIFICATION:

(1) If it is found that obvious faking of log results during the screening process.

(2) Violation of the contest rules.

11. REPORTING:

(1) LOGS

Make electronic logs using the CABRILLO file format and upload to the URL in (4) below. The logs' file name should be "Your callsign".log.

(E.g.: JA3YUA.log)

Ver.2 or Ver.3 CABRILLO file format will be accepted, but please fill in the following fields and Claimed Score completely.

Field Name	Entry Identifier	Frequency (kHz)	Mode	Date (UTC)	Time (UTC)	His Call	Exchange Received	My Call	Exchange Sent
Sample Entry	QSO	144760	DV	2009-07-26	2101	N9JA	59 1989	JA3YUA	59 2001 B

- (2) Paper logs
Please download the D-STAR log sheet from
http://www.icom.co.jp/d-starsite/contestworld/data/log_sheet.pdf
- (3) Log Filing Deadline
Electronic logs
Until 24:00 July 15, 2010 (Timestamp)
Paper logs
Must arrive by July 15, 2010
- (4) Log to be submitted to:
Electronic logs:

URL for logs: <https://www.icom.co.jp/d-starsite/contestworld/log/>

After the log has been received, you will receive a confirmation by e-mail. If you do not receive this confirmation e-mail within 1 hour, please send the logs again.

Paper logs:

1-1-32, Kami-minami, Hirano-Ku, Osaka, 547-0003, Japan

Attn: Icom Inc. D-STAR CONTEST

12. WINNERS PRESENTATION:

We will announce the result of this contest at the Icom booth at the Tokyo Ham Fair 2010 and Icom web site on August 21, 2010.

13. AWARDS:

Certifications will be sent to the top 10 stations or within the top 20% of participating stations in each category.

E.g.: When the participating stations are less than 5 stations for a certain category, the top station will be given the award.

14. PRIZE DRAW:

Winners will be selected from all of the participating stations (excluding any disqualified stations) in a draw, and they will receive either an IC-80AD or an ID-880H* (For a total of 8 prize winners).

* The model name may vary according to the model name used in the prize winner's country.

15. INQUIRIES:

Please contact us at: d-starcontest@icom.co.jp

It may take a few days to respond depending on the number of enquiries sent, so we ask you to be patient in such cases.