

# OK-OM DX SSB CONTEST – 2014

## 1. Contest sponsors

The **Czech Radio Club**, ČRK is pleased to announce first International "OK-OM DX SSB Contest – 2014"

## 2. Contest Period

2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of April Saturday/Sunday – 24 hours i.e. 1200 UTC 12 April - 1200 UTC 13 April 2014

## 3. Categories:

- **SOAB** – Single Op, All Bands,
- **SOAB** Single Op, All Bands, Low Power 100 watts
- **SOAB** Single Op, All Bands, , QRP 5 watts
- **SOSB** - Single Op, single band, (6 different band entries, separately
- 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m)
- **MOST** - Multi Op, All Bands, Single transmitter,
- **MO2T** - Multi Op, Two transmitters,
- **SWL** – Single Op, All Bands

All bands, 1.8 through 28 MHz, WARC bands excluded.

**3.1** The participant can operate and enter in six different single band categories. This allows a station, for example, enter six logs for 160m, 80m, 40m, 20m, 15m, 10m and all of them count towards awards.

**3.2** Single Band entrants operating other bands during the contest are encouraged to submit their logs for more than one band to aid in the log cross-checking process.

**3.3** All entries separated by World, Europe, Czech/Slovak Republic.

## 4. General Rules

**4.1** Transmitters and receivers must be located within a 500 meter diameter circle. All antennas used by an entrant must be physically connected to the transmitters by wires (feeders).

**4.1.1** All categories of entrants are allowed to use packet and WEB clusters.

**4.1.2** Using any IP net for the remote transceiving, including web radiostations is unsportsmanlike and the entry is subject to disqualification.

**4.1.3** Self-spotting is not allowed. Soliciting contacts by telephone, telex, internet, packet mail during and before the contest is forbidden.

**4.1.4** Using other stations callsigns for the following - keeping the working frequency on the other bands, making schedules, DX-spotting, moving the multipliers to the other bands - is prohibited.

**4.1.5** The use by an entrant of telephones, telegrams, Internet, packet to solicit contacts during the contest (self-spotting) is not allowed and forces to disqualification of an entrant.

**4.2** Single Operator participants may change bands and modes without restrictions. Only one signal can be transmitted at any given time.

**4.2.1** Single Operator: Those stations at which One person performs all of operating, logging, and spotting functions.

**4.3** MOST stations are limited by "10 minutes" rule. Start time is determined on the first QSO made on that particular band. Only one signal can be transmitted at any given time. Exception: two signals on different bands are allowed if and only if the station on another (only one) "multiplier" band picked up a new multiplier. This "multiplier" band should also be changed on "10 minutes" rule. Contacts, violating both rules, should be shown in the log, they will neither be counted nor penalized for an entrant, but counted for the station contacted.

**4.4** MO2T (Multi Op, Two transmitters): A maximum of two transmitted signals at any time on different bands. Each transmitter may make a maximum of 8 band changes in any clock hour (00 through 59

minutes). For example, a change from 40 meters to 80 meters and then back to 40 meters constitutes two band changes. Both transmitters may work any and all stations. A station may only be worked once per.

## 5. Exchange:

**5.1 Non-Czech and Slovak stations:** signal report + QSO number, starting with 001.

**5.1.1 MOST** (Multi Op, All Bands, Single transmitter) can use separate serial numbers for each band or chronological serial numbers.

**5.1.2 MO2T** (Multi Op, Two transmitters) MO2T (Multi Op, Two transmitters) can use either separate serial numbers for each band or separate serial numbers for each transmitter. Each QSO in the submitted log must have transmitter identifier.

**5.2 Czech and Slovak stations:** signal report + County code (three letters).

## 6. QSO Points.

**6.1 Czech and Slovak station:**

- QSO with your own country – 1 points,
- QSO with a different country on your continent – 3 points,
- QSO with another continent – 5 points.

**6.2 Non-Czech and Slovak stations:**

- QSO with Czech and Slovak station – 10 points,
- QSO with your own country – 1 points,
- QSO with a different country on your continent – 3 points,
- QSO with another continent – 5 points.

**6.3** /MM stations are not the multipliers, but worth 5 points for any participant.

**6.4** SWL stations must copy one or both exchange numbers, points are scored on common rules.

## 7. Dupes

**7.1** Dupes are contacts made with the same station on the same band and mode. If the first contact between stations is valid, dupes have 0 points value. If the first contact is not valid, second (dupe) contact is accepted.

**7.2** Dupe contacts are not penalized; one does not have to mark them in the log submission. Moreover, entrants are strictly recommended to leave DUPES in the log file. **DO NOT DELETE DUPES!**

## 8. Multipliers

**8.1** Two types of multiplier will be used:

- A multiplier of one (1) for each different Czech and Slovak county contacted on each band.
- A multiplier of one (1) for each different country (DXCC entity list + WAE multipliers list) contacted on each band.

## 9. Final Score

All stations: the final score is the result of the total QSO points multiplied by the sum of Czech county and country multipliers.

## 10. General Log Submission Requirements

**10.1** Logs are accepted in **CABRILLO electronic format only**.

**10.2** Electronic log must be uploaded through a special form on OK-OM DX SSB Contest WEB page, only in special cases email logs will accepted.

**10.3** All times must be in UTC.

**10.4** All sent and received exchanges must be logged.

**10.5** In the header part of the electronic log submission you must specify entry category and your full mailing address, suitable for receiving certificates and trophies.

**10.6** Dupes should not be marked or deleted.

**10.7** MO2T (Multi Op, Two transmitters) electronic log submission (Cabrillo) must identify which transmitter made each QSO.

**10.8** An participant will be moved to Check Log if he fails to identify the number of transmitters in MO2T entry.

**10.9** Participants of Low Power and QRP categories must clearly identify equipment used, as well as antenna types by band, ASL and above ground elevation, type and length of coax cable. Use the comments/soapbox of your Cabrillo log.

## **11. Log Submission Terms**

**11.1** Logs must be submitted to the contest sponsors within 7 days after the end of the contest

**12.4** Receipt of the log is immediately visible on the OK-OM DX SSB Contest WEB page.

## **13. Awards**

**13.1** Special Plaques will receive winner of each categories.

**13.2** Each participant will be able to download a certificate from OK-OM DX SSB Contest WEB page

## **14. Contest-Related Information**

**14.1** Every participant who sends his electronic log will receive personal UBN-list with his claimed/confirmed results separately by bands/modes and QSO list, containing his errors and errors of worked stations. Also confirmed Czech county list for award "OK Counties Award" would be sent.

**14.2** Any OK-OM DX SSB Contest related questions should be sent to e-mail [crk@crk.cz](mailto:crk@crk.cz).

**14.3** OK-OM DX SSB Contest committee will control each QSO by computerized analysis.

**15** OK-OM DX SSB Contest committee decisions are final.

OK-OM DX SSB Contest committee invites all the radio amateurs from Czech Republic, Slovak Republic and foreign countries to take part in the first OK-OM DX SSB Contest.