

North Dakota QSO Party

2018

Sponsored by: ARRL ND Section Manager - KG0YL

**Starts at 1800Z (1:00 PM CDST) April 14th, 2018
and ends at 1800Z (1:00 PM CDST) April 15th, 2018**

Bands:

160 through 10 meters, 6 & 2 meters, (Excluding the WARC Bands)

Objective:

ND stations to contact as many counties, states, provinces and countries as possible.

All Stations Outside of North Dakota should contact as many ND stations as possible looking especially for the

A station can be fixed, portable or mobile.

They will count as one station.

Exchange:

ND stations give RST and county.

U.S. and Canadian stations give RST and state, province or territories and DX Stations give RST and DX country.

Modes:

Phone= (SSB/FM both counts as Phone); CW= (CW counts as CW) and Digital = (RTTY/PSK all other Digital Modes count as Digital)

Scoring:

All contacts count as 1 point per non-duplicated phone, CW or Digital contact on each band.

Multipliers:

ND stations multiply points by the sum of ND Counties (53), states/provinces (49 states excluding North Dakota + DC, + 10 Canadian provinces + 3 Canadian Territories = 63 W/VE multipliers total): 116

Total Multipliers for W/VE (Outside North Dakota stations) and DX stations are the 53 ND counties. You are allowed to make a Phone, CW and a Digital contact with the same station on the same band.

North Dakota stations may work DXCC countries for points only - no multipliers.

Multipliers count once overall, not once per band or mode.

Awards:

Champion Certificates (3 total) will be awarded to the

Highest-scoring ND Station, (Either Fixed, Portable or Mobile),
Highest Scoring Outside ND (US) Station,
Highest Scoring Canadian or DX Station.

Second Place Honor Roll Certificates

Second highest-scoring ND Station, (Either Fixed, Portable or Mobile)

Second highest Scoring Outside ND (US) Station

Second highest scoring Canadian Station or DX Station.

Champion Mode Certificate

Highest Phone Score

Highest CW Score

Highest Digital Score

ND QSO Party Rules:

No Remote or Internet QSO's.

Stations may operate only one transmitter at a time using the same call sign.

Club entries are welcome and appreciated.

CW, Digital or phone contacts will all count one point. - Stations may be worked once per band and mode, and once per band/mode/county for ND stations.

Each mobile vehicle is considered one station and must use only one call. - Mobile stations may park on a county line but each county must be worked in a separate contact.

There are no power limitations in this contest. Mobile ND stations that change counties are considered to be a new station in each new county.

List of ND Counties with 3 letter abbreviations are included at the end of this document. All operators are urged to use these abbreviations in the exchange.

Standard State and Country abbreviations should be used. All Canadian Provinces & Territories count as multipliers for ND stations.

There are no multi-op categories; mobile operators are encouraged to drive with a friend for safety.

Self spotting is not allowed.

For Paper Logs: An official ND QSO Party summary sheet must accompany your log. Entries without a summary sheet will be considered to be check logs and won't be included in the final results. Logs shall indicate UTC, the call of the station worked, the band and mode, RST sent and received, and the state, province, ND county, or DX country.

ND mobiles must indicate county changes in the log.

For handwritten logs: Please circle new multipliers as worked. Include \$2.00 to handle postage & supplies if you wish to receive the printed results by mail.

If you become a ND QSO Party winner and want the certificate mailed to you, please send \$2.00.

Entries must be postmarked by May 15th, 2018. Mail to: KG0YL, c/o Nancy Yoshida, 1079 Harvest LN NE, Thompson, ND 58278.

For Electronic Logs: We ask anyone who produces a computer generated log to please submit their log Cabrillo file via email along with a summary sheet. The ND QSO Party summary sheet

can be copied and pasted in the email from the KG0YL.com website. Email your results to KG0YL@arrl.org by the May 15th, 2018 deadline. Results of the ND QSO Party will be posted by June 15th, 2018 on www.KG0YL.com website.

Entries may be disqualified if the rules of the North Dakota QSO Party are not followed. The decision of the North Dakota QSO Party Committee shall be final.

2018 North Dakota QSO Party Summary Sheet

Name of person or club station:

Call sign used: _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

E-mail address (to receive results back electronically)

Entry Classes: (Highlight One) North Dakota Station, Outside ND
US Station, or Canadian-DX Station

North Dakota Stations:

Fill in this Section Station Entry Class: North Dakota Station can
be either fixed, portable or mobile).

CW Contacts = _____

of Digital Contacts = _____

Phone Contacts = _____

Sum of CW + Digital + Phone = _____ **Total Contact points**

States, Provinces, and Territories = _____ **Multipliers** max 63

plus # North Dakota Counties = _____ **Multipliers** max53

Total Multipliers _____

Final Total = Contact Total X Multiplier Total _____

Stations Outside North Dakota: Fill in this Section Station Entry

Class: (Highlight One) Outside ND US Station or Canadian DX

Station # CW Contacts = _____

of Digital Contacts = _____

Phone Contacts = _____

Sum of CW + Digital + Phone = _____ **Total Contact points**

of North Dakota counties worked (max. 53) = **Total**

Multipliers _____

Final Total = Contact Total X Multiplier Total _____

Suggested Frequencies: CW: 1.850, 3.550, 3705, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, 28.050 Phone: 1.870, 3.850, 7.250, 14.270, 21.350, 28.450. VHF: 6 meter & 2 meter SSB & FM Band Plans should be used. PSK-RTTY: Within the ARRL suggested band plans for all bands

North Dakota County Abbreviations (53)

Adams County-ADM, Barnes County-BRN, Benson County-BSN, Billings County-BLL, Bottineau County-BOT, Bowman County-BOW, Burke County-BRK, Burleigh County-BUR, Cass County-CSS, Cavalier County-CAV, Dickey County-DIK, Divide County-DIV, Dunn County-DUN, Eddy County-EDY, Emmons County-EMN, Foster County-FOS, Golden Valley County-GNV, Grand Forks County-GFK, Grant County-GNT, Griggs County-GRG, Hettinger County-HET, Kidder County-KDR, La Moure County-LMR, Logan County-LOG, McHenry County-MCH, McIntosh County-MCI, McKenzie County-MCK, McLean County-MCL, Mercer County-MCR, Morton County-MTN, Mountrail County-MRL, Nelson County-NEL, Oliver County-OLR, Pembina County-PBA, Pierce County-PRC, Ramsey County-RMY, Ransom County-RSM, Renville County-REN, Richland County-RLD, Rolette County-ROL, Sargent County-SGT, Sheridan County-SRN, Sioux County-SIX, Slope County-SLP, Stark County-STK, Steele County-STL, Stutsman County-STN, Towner County-TWR, Traill County-TRL, Walsh County-WLH, Ward County-WRD, Wells County-WLS, Williams County-WLM

Canadian Abbreviations (13)

AB Alberta, BC British Columbia, LB Labrador, MB Manitoba, NB
New Brunswick, NF Newfoundland, NS Nova Scotia, NT
Northwest Territory, ON Ontario, PE Prince Edward Is., QC
Quebec, SK Saskatchewan, YT Yukon Territory

Use Standard Two Letter State Abbreviations (50) for this contest
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