

NCCC Annual KB Competition Rules

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Current rules and standings are always available at <http://nccc.cc/awards.html>.

Purpose: To provide a means of rewarding NCCC members who are DX contesters, sprinters, VHFers, and especially active contesters in all modes.

Time period: The contest year restarts at 0000 March 1 UTC. ARRL DX SSB is the first contest of the year. NAQP RTTY is the last.

Eligible contests: Currently, points from 28 contests are counted. See the table on the next page.

Scoring: Score = N_Contests * sum of (points for each contest * each contest's multiplier).

Where N_Contests is the number of contests in which you participated.

NCCC weekly sprints are special. Points for the entire year are added up, but it is only counted as a single contest.

Multi-ops: Points = total score divided by the number of operators.

Station owners: A station owner who *does not participate* in a particular contest receives 25% of the points.

Valid scores: Only scores posted to 3830scores.com are counted. Scores obtained by use of **High Power** in the 6 NAQP competitions and the weekly NCCC sprints (CW, CW Ladder, RTTY, and FT4) will not be counted for the KB competition, either as scores or as contest multipliers. **A minimum of 25 QSOs** are required in all contests, except for the NCCC sprints. Scores are counted regardless of which club received the contest points (NCCC, MLDXCC, REDXA, PL259, etc.). The only requirement is that you

must be an NCCC member to receive credit for the contest, and to be eligible for an award.

Brackets: There are four independent brackets for the purpose of awards: 1-Platinum, 2-Gold, 3-Silver, and 4-Bronze. Brackets are assigned at the beginning of the contest year according to your final position in the previous year's standings.

Awards: Paid NCCC members may receive awards.

How to Improve Your Standing

- Post all your scores on 3830. Those are the only ones that count.
- Participate! Even the smallest score has value. Every contest on the list is a multiplier.
- Try a new mode or a new band (VHF, 10, 160).
- Try the sprints. Small score, big multiplier.
- Go for a big score in WPX: Exponential score growth.
- Join a multi-op: The score is split among ops.
- Let someone else use your station: You get 25%.

Comments are welcome, as always. I log and track every comment and suggestion and try to improve the KB Competition each year. The one thing I can guarantee is that each year will be different!

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NCCC Annual KB Competition Table

Contest	Date	Mult
ARRL DX Contest SSB	March 4	9
CQ WPX SSB	March 25	2
7QP	May 6	20
CQ WPX CW	May 27	1
ARRL DX Contest DIGI	June 3	250
ARRL June VHF	June 10	200
IARU HF World Championships	July 8	4
NAQP Summer RTTY	July 15	25
NAQP Summer CW	August 5	25
NAQP Summer SSB	August 19	50
NA Sprint Fall CW	September 11	150
CQWW RTTY	September 23	1
CQP	October 7	10
CQWW SSB	October 28	1
ARRL Sweepstakes CW	November 4	15
ARRL Sweepstakes SSB	November 18	15
CQWW CW	November 25	1
ARRL 160 Meter Contest	December 1	100
ARRL 10 Meter Contest	December 9	4
RAC Winter	December 30	20
ARRL RTTY Roundup	January 7	50
NAQP Winter CW	January 13	15
NAQP Winter SSB	January 20	15
NA Sprint Winter CW	February 4	150
CQ WPX RTTY	February 10	2
ARRL DX Contest CW	February 18	1
NAQP Winter RTTY	February 25	15
NCCC Sprints: CW, Ladder, RTTY, FT4	Weekly	100

KB Award Brackets

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Platinum	Gold	Silver
KA6BIM	N3ZZ	NF6R
WD6T	WB6JJJ	K6JS
AJ6V	K6RIM	WU6X
N6ZFO	OH1VR	KW6S
K6XX	K6NV	W6FB

N6RO	KK6PXT	N6GEO
N6KT	K6OK	NC6R
N6WM	N3RC	KF6NCX
W0YK	KX7M	N6YEU
N6TV	W6OAT	KE6QR
W9KKN	N6TTV	AF6SA
AD6E	K6TQ	K6TD
W6LD	W6JTI	WX6V
K5RC	W2SC	ND2T
WX5S	N6XI	WA6O
W6NV	K6SRZ	K7GK
W6SX	KE6GLA	K6LRN
K6MM	W1SRD	W6SR
KH6LC	W6IA	AJ6T
K6EI	K9YC	N6RK
K6KM	N0KQ	KH2TJ
N7MH	W6EU	W6DER
N6GQ	K6UFO	K2RD
KO6M	K6DGW	N6JV
WK6I	N5KO	KI6OY
W1RH	NW6P	W6BG
K3EST	W6TCP	K6RB
K6GHA	N6EE	W6SC
W7IV	N6PN	W6FA
N6IE	KE8FT	K6CSL
WC6H	K6MI	NR6Q
K6AW	WE6Z	K6KLY
WU6P	K6XV	VY1JA
AE6Y	N6DW	NN6U
KH7Y	WU7W	K6GFJ
		K0JP
		AF6GA
		KA6W
		KG7QXE
		K6CTA