

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 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.

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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KB Competition Contests 2026-27

Contest	Date	Mult
ARRL DX Contest SSB	March 8	9
CQ WPX SSB	March 28	2
7QP	May 2	20
CQ WPX CW	May 30	1
ARRL DX Contest DIGI	June 6	250
ARRL June VHF	June 13	200
IARU HF World Championships	July 11	4
NAQP Summer RTTY	July 18	25
NAQP Summer CW	August 1	25
NAQP Summer SSB	August 15	50
NA Sprint Fall CW	September 13	150
CQWW RTTY	September 26	1
CQP	October 3	10
CQWW SSB	October 24	1
ARRL Sweepstakes CW	November 7	15
ARRL Sweepstakes SSB	November 21	15
CQWW CW	November 28	1
ARRL 160 Meter Contest	December 4	100
ARRL 10 Meter Contest	December 12	4
RAC Winter	December 19	20
ARRL RTTY Roundup	January 2	50
NAQP Winter CW	January 9	15
NAQP Winter SSB	January 16	15
NA Sprint Winter CW	February 7	150
CQ WPX RTTY	February 13	2
ARRL DX Contest CW	February 20	1
NAQP Winter RTTY	February 27	15
NCCC Sprint CW and FT4	Weekly	100

KB Competition Brackets

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Members not listed below default to the Bronze level.

Platinum	Gold	Silver
W2SC	K7GK	W6BG
K6KM	WB6JJJ	NC6R
AJ6V	N6DW	W6WZZ
WD6T	N6TTV	KK6PXT
AE6Y	N5KO	KF6NCX
N6WM	N6GEO	K6MM
N6RO	K6OK	W1SRD
KA6BIM	KX7M	K6SRZ
K6XX	VA7RR	NA6O
WX5S	W9KKN	WE6Z
N6TV	K6TQ	NU6S
W0YK	AF6SA	W6NL
W6SX	KH6LC	K6YLH
N6IE	K6ST	OH1VR
W1RH	N3ZZ	WU6X
W6TCP	N6ZFO	K6KLY
KM9R	KE8FT	KO6M
W6NV	K3EST	K6XV
K9YC	NN7O	W6JTI
K6GHA	NN6U	K6ELE
N3RC	N7MH	K6MI
W6EU	W6IA	WX6V
K6RIM	W6OAT	KE6QR
K6EI	KE6GLA	KZ2V
WN6A	W2DON	NF6R
K6NV	N6KT	W6SR
NW6P	W6SC	N6DE
NO5Z	KH2TJ	K8TR
N6XI	K6UFO	AJ6T
AD6E	WK6I	WU7W
WC6H	N6YEU	N6EE
W6FB	KW6S	NS6T
WU6P	K6JS	W6DR
K6RC	N6PN	K2RD
W6LD	K6EY	KD6WKY