## The 36<sup>th</sup> KCJ TOPBAND CONTEST RULES

## for participants overseas

₩QRP category is set up as a new one.

- 1. Name of Contest: The 35<sup>th</sup> KCJ Top band Contest
- 2. Eligibility: Amateur stations worldwide and SWL
- 3. Period: Starts 1200z of Saturday, 8 February 2020,

ends 1200z of Sunday, 9 February 2020.

4. Categories and codes: C19: Single operator (\*1)

CP: Single operator QRP (\*2)

CM: Multi operator

SWL: SWL

DX: Stations overseas

CL: Checklog (\*3)

- \*1: QSO finding assistance of any kind is prohibited.
- \*2: Output power must not exceed 5 watts.
- \*3: CL must be described in the summary of a checklog.
- 5. Band: 160m

There is no limitation in frequency for the stations overseas.

 $1810\mathchar`left 1820\mbox{kHz}$  and  $1908\mathchar`left 1912\mbox{kHz}$  are suggested for JA-JA contacts,

1820-1825kHz are recommended to DX stations calling CQ KCJ TEST.

- (Please note that JAs are limited within 1810-1825 and 1907.5-1912.5kHz.)
- 6. Mode: CW
- 7. Exchange:

JA: RST plus Prefecture/district Code,

DX: RST plus Continent Code.

- 8. Points: for each complete contact, JA: One point for a contact with JA, five points for a contact with DX DX: One point for a contact with JA, no point for a contact with others
- 9. Multipliers: One multiplier for each prefecture/district (and a continent for JA) worked.
- 10. Scoring: All logs received will be cross-checked each other to obtain the final score, Which is the result of total points confirmed multiplied by total multipliers confirmed.
- 11. Log instructions:
  - a. Summary sheet should shows call sign, category code, category name, QTH, e-mail address, postal address and full name of an operator. Output power of QRP should be described in a summary sheet.
  - b. Each contact should contain date, time, band, call sign and exchanges both sent and received.
  - c. The time must be logged in JST by JA, and in UTC by  $\ensuremath{\text{DX}}$
  - d. Cabrillo format log is recommended.
- 12. Log submission:

by web site: https://kcj-cw.com/

by e-mail: 2020toptest(a)kcj-cw.com Replace (a) by @.

by postal mail: T. Nakamura (JO3MQY), Shinden-Nakamachi 4-7, Daito city, Osaka 574-0056, Japan

- 13. Log deadline: The log must be e-mailed, uploaded or postmarked no later than 29 of February, 2020.
- 13. Logs are cross-checked and point is given when QSO data are consistent each other. Cross band contacts are not available.
- 14. The contest Results will be announced in the KCJ home page on about April 1, 2020 <u>URL:https://kcj-cw.com/</u> (both in Japanese and English). The KCL News Latter (Spring edition in English) will be cont to DX participants

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who submit logs by email.

- 15 Certificates will be awarded to:
  - a. JA: The upper 5% and the top in each prefecture/district, being ranked upper half of all JAs.
  - b. DX: The top in each DXCC entity.
  - c. Above a and b are also applicable to SWL
- 16. Certificate of merit: A participant who gets a prize accesses URL informed by the committee and downloads a certificate. A participant who wants a certificate in paper form sends a request to cont-qstn(a)kcj-cw.com (Replace (a) by @) by April 30.
- 17. Prohibition actions
  - 1. More than two signals at any time are prohibited for a single category station.
  - 2. More than two signals on the same band are prohibited for a multi-operator station.
  - 3. Simultaneous operations more than two locations are not allowed for a multi-operator station.
  - 4. Moving to different multiplier locations during contest is not permitted.
  - 5. Shift from a fixed station to a mobile one or vice versa is not permitted.
- 18. Disqualification will be caused by the Violation of amateur radio regulations or rules of this contest.
- 19. Any complaint would be sent to cont-complaint(a)kcj-cw.com with clear evidence (replace (a) by @).
- 20. KCJ accepts inquiries at cont-qstn(a)kcj-cw.com (replace a with @)

## REFERENCE

1. Japanese Prefecture/District Codes

- Area 1 (for JA1 through JS1, 7J1-7N1 and 7K2-7N4)
- CB: Chiba, GM: Gumma, IB: Ibaraki, KN: Kanagawa, MT: Minami-Torishima OG: Ogasawara, ST: Saitama, TK: Tokyo, YN: Yamanashi, TG:Tochigi
- Area 2 (for JA2 through JS2 and 7J2)

AC: Aichi, GF: Gifu, ME: Mie, SO: Shizuoka

Area 3 (for JA3 through JS3 and 7J3)

HG: Hyogo, KT: Kyoto, NR: Nara, OS: Osaka, SI: Shiga, WK: Wakayama Area 4 (for JA4 through JS4 and 7J4)

HS: Hiroshima, OY: Okayama, SN; Shimane, TT: Tottori, YG: Yamaguchi Area 5 (for JA5 through JS5 and 7J5)

EH: Ehime, KA: Kagawa, KC: Kochi, TS: Tokushima

Area 6 (for JA6 through JS6 and 7J6)

FO: Fukuoka, KG: Kagoshima, KM: Kumamoto, MZ: Miyazaki, NS: Nagasaki, ON: Okinawa, OT: Oh-ita, SG: Saga

- Area 7 (for JA7 through JS7 and 7J7)
- AM: Aomori, AT: Akita, FS: Fukushima, IT: Iwate, MG: Miyagi, YM: Yamagata Area 8 (for JA8 through JS8 and 7J8)

OH: Okhotsk, HD: Hidaka, HY: Hiyama, IR: Iburi, IS: Ishikari, KK: Kamikawa, KR: Kushiro, NM: Nemuro, OM: Oshima, RM: Rumoi, SB: Shiribeshi, SC: Sorachi, SY: Soya, TC: Tokachi

- Area 9 (for JA9 through JS9 and 7J9) FI: Fukui, IK: Ishikawa, TY: Toyama
- Area 0 (for JA0 through JS0 and 7J0)
  - NI: Niigata, NN: Nagano

## 2. Continent Codes

AF: Africa, AS: Asia, EU: Europe, NA: North America, OC: Oceania, SA: South America