The 37th KCJ TOPBAND CONTEST RULES

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- 1. Name of Contest: The 37th KCJ Top band Contest
- 2. Eligibility: Amateur stations worldwide and SWLs
- 3. Period: Starts 1200z of Saturday, 13 February 2021, ends 1200z of Sunday, 14 February 2021.
- 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 your log.

5. Band: 160m

There is no limitation in frequency for the stations overseas.

1810-1820kHz and 1908-1912kHz are suggested for JA-stations,

JA station is allowed to call DX station on 1820-1825 kHz.

(Please note that the usable frequency range for JAs was widened but KCJ keeps the rule for the frequency range unchangeable)

- 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 DX
 - d. Cabrillo format log is recommended.
- 12. Log submission:

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

by e-mail: 2021toptest(a)kcj-cw.com Replace (a) by @. Subject of e-mail should be your call sign.

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 28 of February, 2021.
- 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 KCJ News Letter (Spring edition, in English) will be sent to DX participants who submit logs by email.
- 15 Certificates of Participation: Participants can get it at URL which KCJ informs him/her.
- 16 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
- 17. 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. Don't submit your log to this address.
- 18. Prohibited 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.
- 19. Disqualification will be caused by the violation of amateur radio regulations or rules of this contest.
- 20. Any complaint would be sent to cont-qstn(a)kcj-cw.com with clear evidence by April 10. (Replace (a) by @)
- 21. KCJ accepts inquiries at cont-gstn(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: Ohita, 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