

D-STAR QSO PARTY in 2014

◆ **Purpose**

Connecting the world through D-STAR repeaters around the globe.

◆ **Prizes**

The goal of the D-STAR QSO PARTY is to communicate through as many D-STAR repeaters as possible throughout the world. All operators who submit an approved log will be eligible for the prize draw. 10 winners will be randomly selected to each win a prize. The more D-STAR QSO's you make, the more chances you have to win. In addition to voice communication, you will have a chance to get a bonus point when you send GPS position data indicating communication distance via D-STAR radios. (up to a maximum of four prize draw points and one bonus point).

Please refer to the entry multipliers below.

- To qualify for prize draw point, you need contact more than 10 amateurs through at least one repeater in your own country.
- If you contact more than 20 amateurs, you will qualify for two points.
- If you contact amateurs in more than 5 foreign countries, you will qualify for one point.
- If you contact amateurs in more than 10 foreign countries, you will qualify for two points.

<for example>

If you contact 25 amateurs and 15 foreign countries, you will get total four (4) points.

◆ **Bonus point**

If you make a contact using GPS position data and record the communication distance in your log, you will get one (1) bonus point.

Please write down the number shown in "DST" which is the distance between your station and the other station. If your station shows 1234km and another station shows 1235km, Icom will use 1235km for the record.

Please write down the unit you select, "km" or "mi" on your log sheet and summary sheet. If this information is missing, your log data will be invalid.

Please use the built-in GPS if you use the ID-31A/E, ID-51A/E and/or ID-5100A/E.

Please note that the bonus point is the maximum you will receive even if you write multiple DST logs in your log sheet. The top ten communication distances will be listed on the D-STAR QSO PARTY website.

◆ **How the above "prize draw point" system will work**

- The name and/or call sign of each entrant into the D-STAR QSO PARTY will be collated and included in the prize draw. In this case each entrant will be eligible for one prize draw point in the draw.
- As per the explanation above, the number of prize draw points is multiplied depending on the number of valid QSOs during the competition period.
- Winners can receive only one prize. Therefore, in the case where a winner's name/call sign is drawn again, that person will not receive another prize.

--D-STAR QSO Party Details--

◆ Date & time

September 19th, 20th and 21st, 2014
Friday 0:00 ~ Sunday 24:00 (UTC)

◆ QSO Party organizer

Icom Incorporated, Icom America, Icom Australia, Icom Europe

◆ Who can take part in the QSO party?

All licensed Ham Radio operators.

◆ Participation bands and modes

DV mode
28MHz/50MHz/70MHz /144MHz/430MHz/1200MHz
(Simplex operation on 28MHz, 50MHz and 70MHz)

◆ Making a call

<Call >

“CQ D-STAR QSO PARTY 2014”

<Contest Number>

- The other stations RS
- The year when you first operated D-STAR.
- “P” If you send GPS position data

Example of rubber stamp QSO :

<<CQ>>

CQ D-STAR QSO PARTY,CQ D-STAR QSO PARTY.

This is JA3YUA, Juliett - Alfa - Three - Yankee - Uniform - Alfa, JA3YUA.
Calling CQ and Standing-by.

<<reply>

JA3YUA, This is N9JA, November - Nine - Juliett – Alfa
I am from the U.S. (country name)
Exchange Number is “59” and “2008P”
Thank you for the contact 73.

<<reply>>

N9JA, This is JA3YUA, Juliett - Alfa - Three - Yankee - Uniform - Alfa, JA3YUA.
Thank you for coming back my call.
I am from Japan.
Exchange Number is “59” and “2005P”
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◆ Things to remember

1. Abide by all Amateur Radio laws in your country.
2. Party organizers are not responsible for any direct or indirect damage/trouble associated with this D-STAR QSO party.
3. When you use the repeaters, be considerate of other users who are not taking part in this QSO party.

◆ How to submit a log

There are two log formats accepted.

<Electronic log>

Please make an electronic log in the Cabrillo format and submit it to the e-mail address listed below. Please make the name of the file your call sign. For example: JA3YUA.log.

We can accept any type of Cabrillo formats that are V2 or V3, but please write down the items as shown in the log below. Also, do not forget to write down your claimed score.

QSO	Band	Date (UTC)	Time (UTC)	My Call	RS	Exch.	Their Call	RS	Exch.	DST	
										<input type="checkbox"/> km	<input type="checkbox"/> ml
QSO	144.760	2014-09-20	21:10	JA3YUA	59	2005P	N9JA	59	2008P	8057.7	

Please write down the measure you select, "km" or "ml" on your log sheet and summary sheet. If this information is missing, your log data become null.

<Paper log>

You can download a summary sheet and log sheet from "Log Reporting" page listed below and submit the completed sheets by E-mail or FAX. In addition to that, you can prepare your own log in an Excel spreadsheet.

"Log Reporting" page

<http://www.icom.co.jp/d-starparty2014/global/log.html>

◆ **Due date for submitting (must arrive by date)**

<Electronic log / Paper Log>

October 20th 2014 24:00(UTC)

◆ **Where to send** →

<Electronic log / Paper Log>

E-mail : D-Star.QSOPARTY_LOG@IcomAmerica.com

FAX : +1 (425) 449 4951 (send to Icom America)

◆ **Double check the following before submitting.**

1. Please fill in your name and call sign, in the comment column.
2. Please fill in the model name of the radio, or radios you used for this QSO party.
3. Please fill in your comments regarding the QSO party after participation, and share your ideas.
4. Please understand that winning call signs will be published when the winners are announced.

◆ **Judge**

Icom Incorporated, Icom America, Icom Australia, Icom Europe

◆ **Prizes**

The awards to be presented are described below.

From all the participants in the prize drawing, ten (10) winners will be randomly selected and presented a ID-51A/ID-51E, Icom 50th Anniversary Limited Edition.

<NOTE>

Participants qualify for only one prize; there are no multiple winners.

The winners will not be able to choose the radio color.

◆ **Disqualification**

1. Participants who do not obey the relevant Amateur Radio laws of their country.
2. Participants who do not obey the QSO party rules.
3. Participants who submit false logs
4. Participants who submit insufficient documents or send logs by normal mail at short paid.
5. Participants who are disqualified by the QSO party organizers for any other valid reason.

◆ **Announcement of results**

Results will be announced on November 20, 2014 on the Icom Incorporated, Icom America, Icom Australia and Icom Europe websites.

◆ **Comments or inquiries**

Comments or inquiries will be accepted by e-mail until December 25, 2014.

D-Star.QSOPARTY_QUESTION@IcomAmerica.com

◆ **Notification**

The two e-mail addresses below, for correspondence regarding this D-STAR QSO party, will become invalid on December 26, 2014.

E-mail address to submit logs : D-Star.QSOPARTY_LOG@IcomAmerica.com

E-mail address for comments/inquiries : D-Star.QSOPARTY_QUESTION@IcomAmerica.com