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## State QSO Party Challenge

- News Release -

The [StateQSOParty.com](http://StateQSOParty.com) Team has announced the 2020 State QSO Party Challenge. This annual program will recognize all radio amateurs' participation in the U.S. State and Canadian Province QSO parties. It will be open to any radio amateur who participates in any of our approved State QSO Party (SQPs) contests. Participants must simply submit their scores to [3830Scores.com](http://3830Scores.com) to be included in the Challenge.

Participants will be recognized for reaching five levels of achievement – Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum and Diamond. Using the submissions to [3830Scores.com](http://3830Scores.com), each radio amateur's cumulative score will be calculated by totaling up his/her number of reported contacts and multiplying by the number of SQPs entered year-to-date. Using the number of SQPs entered as a multiplier is expected to encourage radio amateurs to enter more state/province QSO parties. The use of the number of contacts as a metric is to encourage participants to operate longer in each SQP, increase the effectiveness of their station and improve their contesting skills. To qualify for an award level, the participant must have participated in at least two State QSO Parties. Each State QSO Party entry must have at least two QSOs.

It is also expected that this program will positively benefit all SCPs, especially those that currently have lower participation levels.

The first SQPs in 2020 are the Vermont, Minnesota and British Columbia QSO Parties on the first weekend of February. Therefore, the first monthly report of the State QSO Party Challenge is scheduled to be available in early March 2020. The cumulative year-to-date Challenge scores will be published on the QSOParty.io forum and on the State QSO Party website ([www.StateQSOParty.com](http://www.StateQSOParty.com)). The full rules and other details of the Challenge are available on [www.StateQSOParty.com](http://www.StateQSOParty.com).

Special thanks to Bruce Horn, WA7BNM of [3830scores.com](http://3830scores.com) for creating the SQP Activity Tracker located at [3830scores.com](http://3830scores.com)

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