

2025 State QSO Party Mobile/Portable Challenge Rules

The State QSO Party Challenge program is administered by the State QSO Party Group and it is sponsored by Icom America. These awards are available to all licensed amateur radio operators who meet the specified award requirements. To qualify, all applicants must adhere to the State QSO Party Challenge rules.

Purpose: To provide a means of recognizing Amateur Radio operators for their Mobile/Portable participation in State QSO Party contests.

Time Period: February 1, 2025 – November 30, 2025. November 30th is the last day to make a 3830scores.com form submissions.

Participation: The **State QSO Party Mobile/Portable Challenge** is an overlay program of the State QSO Party Challenge program. All participants must be qualified for the SQP Challenge to be included in this competition. Qualifying contacts do not have to be made from a mobile/portable station. To qualify a participant must have participated in at least two state QSO party contests. Each state QSO party contest entry must include at least TWO valid QSOs and reported their scores in the 3830scores.com database.

To participate in the State QSO Party Mobile/Portable Challenge competition, a participant must enter the contest's Mobile or Portable category located on the 3830scores.com entry form to be included in this competition. Some contests use different names for mobile/portable categories such as Mobile, Rover, Expedition, etc.

Definitions of Mobile/Portable Stations:

Participant's in this competition must operate from a mobile/portable station.

Mobile: A mobile station is a station that can be operated from a vehicle while in motion or while parked. All antennas are mounted on the vehicle.

Portable: A portable station is a station that is a temporary POTA type of station. Antennas used are erected for each contest and removed after the operation. Operation cannot be from a 'fixed'/home station.

Scoring: The participant's Score is based on the total number of QSOs made in each approved state QSO party contests as reported on 3830Scores.com multiplied by the number of State QSO Parties entered in the current year before the November 30th submission deadline. Total Points = (Sum of Individual state QSO party contest QSOs) x (Number of state QSO party contest 3830scores.com form submission)

Score Reporting: Only activity posted to 3830Scores.com is counted. Operators are encouraged to submit their logs to the State QSO Party sponsors before reporting to 3830Scores.com. Members will be on their honor to report correct information to 3830Scores.com.

Multi-Op Mobile/Portable - If you are an operator with a multiple-op station, then all of the operators of the multi-op station must have obtained a minimum of two valid contacts in the state QSO party contest for you to receive credit for two contacts. The total number of valid contacts reported by the station will be divided equally by the number of operators of the multi-op station. The resulting value must be greater than or equal to the number '2'.

Multi-Op Station Definition: When two or more operators use the same callsign at any time during the QSO Party contest period, regardless of category. Logs must be combined into a single entry for 3830scores.com. The "Call Used" should be the callsign used by all operators. The callsigns for each operator should be included in the "Operator(s) Call" to receive proper credit.

Mobile Multi-Op Station Example - If NK4O, N4KM, NX4N and W4WF are operating using the station calls sign of K4OJ/M as a Multi-Op from a Mobile station, the number of contacts assigned to each operator on 3830scores.com for the State QSO Party Challenge will be as follows:

In this example K4OJ/M makes 2,000 contacts in the FLQP. Of those 2,000, NK4O makes 600 contacts, N4KM makes 400 contacts, NX4N make 500 and W4WF makes 500 contacts. The number of contacts assigned to each operator will be 2,000 divided by 4 operators resulting in each of the four operators getting credit for 500 contacts.

Entry Deadline: Official entry/scoring reports must be submitted to 3830Scores.com. Generally, 3830 submission forms are available for 7 days following the deadline for submission to the contest. See <https://www.3830scores.com/updatefaq.php> for details.

The last day to submit a 3830scores.com initial submission form or a correction form for the 2025 SQP Challenge program is November 30, 2025!

Results: Visit the stateqsoparty.com and click on "Mobile/Portable Leaderboard" to see real-time SQP Mobile/Portable Challenge scores and data. The leaderboard will be updated on a frequent basis.

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