

# NCCC Annual KB Competition Rules

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**Current rules and standings are always available at <http://nccc.cc/awards.html>.**

**Purpose:** To provide a means of rewarding NCCC members who are DX contesters, sprinters, VHFers, and especially active contesters in all modes.

**Time period:** The contest year starts at 0000 March 1 UTC. ARRL DX SSB is the first contest of the year. NAQP RTTY is the last.

**Eligible contests:** Currently, points from 30 contests are counted. See the table on the next page

**Scoring:** Score = N\_Contests \* sum of (points for each contest \* each contest's multiplier).

Where N\_Contests is the number of contests in which you participated.

NCCC weekly sprints are special. Points for the entire year are added up, but it is only counted as a single contest.

**Multi-ops:** Points = total score divided by the number of operators.

**Station owners:** A station owner who *does not participate* in a particular contest receives 25% of the points.

**Valid scores:** Only scores posted to [3830scores.com](http://3830scores.com) are counted. Scores obtained by use of High Power in the 6 NAQP competitions and the NS CW/NS CW Ladder series will not be counted for the KB competition, either as scores or as contest multipliers. Scores are counted regardless of which club received the contest points (NCCC, MLDXCC, REDXA, PL259, etc.). The only requirement is that you **MUST** be an NCCC member to receive credit for the contest, and to be eligible for an award.

**Brackets:** There are four independent brackets for the purpose of awards: 1-Platinum, 2-Gold, 3-Silver, and 4-Bronze. Brackets are assigned at the beginning of the contest year according to your final position in the previous year's standings.

**Awards:** Paid NCCC members may receive awards.

### **How to Improve Your Standing**

- Post all your scores on 3830. Those are the only ones that count.
- Participate! Even the smallest score has value. Every contest on the list is a multiplier.
- Try a new mode or a new band (VHF, 10, 160).
- Try the sprints. Small score, big multiplier.
- Go for a big score in WPX: Exponential score growth.
- Join a multi-op: The score is split among ops.
- Let someone else use your station: You get 25%.

Comments are welcome, as always. I log and track every comment and suggestion and try to improve the KB Competition each year. The one thing I can guarantee is that each year will be different!

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### **NCCC Annual KB Competition Table**

| <b>Contest</b>      | <b>Date</b>  | <b>Mult</b> |
|---------------------|--------------|-------------|
| ARRL DX Contest SSB | March 6      | 8           |
| CQ WPX SSB          | March 27     | 3           |
| 7QP                 | May 1        | 25          |
| NEQP                | May 1        | 100         |
| CQ WPX CW           | May 29       | 1           |
| ARRL June VHF       | June 12      | 200         |
| RAC Canada Day      | July 1       | 15          |
| IARU HF World Champ | July 10      | 10          |
| NAQP Summer RTTY    | July 17      | 25          |
| NAQP Summer CW      | August 7     | 25          |
| NAQP Summer SSB     | August 21    | 25          |
| WW Digi             | August 28    | 20          |
| CQWW RTTY           | September 25 | 5           |
| NA Sprint Fall CW   | September 12 | 150         |
| CQP                 | October 2    | 10          |

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|------------------------|-------------|-----|
| Makrothen RTTY Contest | October 9   | 1   |
| CQWW SSB               | October 30  | 6   |
| ARRL Sweepstakes CW    | November 6  | 15  |
| ARRL Sweepstakes SSB   | November 20 | 15  |
| CQWW CW                | November 27 | 3   |
| ARRL 160 Meter Contest | December 3  | 30  |
| ARRL 10 Meter Contest  | December 11 | 15  |
| ARRL RTTY Roundup      | January 8   | 50  |
| NAQP Winter CW         | January 8*  | 25  |
| NAQP Winter SSB        | January 15  | 25  |
| CQ WPX RTTY            | February 12 | 2   |
| ARRL DX Contest CW     | February 19 | 4   |
| NA Sprint Winter CW    | February 5  | 150 |
| NAQP Winter RTTY       | February 26 | 25  |
| NCCC Sprint CW         | Weekly      | 50  |

\* Date will be adjusted per contest manager.

### KB Award Brackets

There are four independent brackets for the purpose of issuing awards: 1- Platinum, 2- Gold, 3-Silver, and 4-Bronze. Your bracket is assigned automatically at the beginning of the contest year according to your final position in the previous year's standings. New members or those who have never posted a score to 3830 default to the Bronze level.

| Platinum | Gold   | Silver |
|----------|--------|--------|
| AD6E     | K0JP   | AE6JV  |
| AE6Y     | K6AW   | AJ6T   |
| AF6SA    | K6DGW  | K0MKL  |
| AJ6V     | K6GHA  | K6ANP  |
| K2RD     | K6JS   | K6CSL  |
| K3EST    | K6MM   | K6EI   |
| K5RC     | K6NV   | K6ELE  |
| K6IJ     | K6OK   | K6EU   |
| K6KM     | K6RIM  | K6KLY  |
| K6LRN    | K6TD   | K6KR   |
| K6MI     | K6TQ   | K6RM   |
| K6MR     | K7GK   | K6UFO  |
| K6SRZ    | KE6GLA | K6UM   |
| K6XX     | KH6LC  | K8TR   |
| K7XC     | KW6S   | KA6W   |
| K9YC     | N0KQ   | KE8FT  |
| KA6BIM   | N3RC   | KF6NCX |

|       |        |       |
|-------|--------|-------|
| KX7M  | N3ZZ   | KH2TJ |
| N6IE  | N6DW   | N5KO  |
| N6RO  | N6JV   | N6EE  |
| N6TV  | N6XI   | N6GEO |
| N6WM  | NA6O   | N6JS  |
| N6ZFO | NC6R   | N6KT  |
| N7MH  | ND2T   | N6PN  |
| W0YK  | NW6P   | N6RK  |
| W1RH  | OH1VR  | N6TVN |
| W1SRD | W2SC   | N6YEU |
| W6EU  | W6DR   | NT6V  |
| W6NV  | W6FA   | NU6S  |
| W6OAT | W6XU   | W6DMW |
| W6SX  | WB6JJJ | W6FB  |
| W7IV  | WC6H   | W6IA  |
| W9KKN | WE6Z   | W6JTI |
| WD6T  | WU6W   | W6LD  |
| WK6I  | WX5S   | W6RC  |
|       |        | W6RGG |
|       |        | W6SC  |
|       |        | W6SR  |
|       |        | WA6O  |
|       |        | WX6V  |