

Contest Corral

October 2025

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Refer to the contest websites for full rules, scoring information, operating periods or time limits, and log submission information.

Start - Finish		Date-Time		Bands	Contest Name	Mode	Exchange	Sponsor's Website
1	2000	1	2100	3.5	UKEICC 80m Contest	Ph	6-char grid square	www.ukeicc.com
2	0000	3	0300	7	Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	CW	13 WPM max; RST, SPC, name, mbr/ pwr	qrpcontest.com/pigwalk40
2	1700	2	2000	3.5	SARL 80m QSO Party	Ph	RS, serial, grid or QTH	www.sarl.org.za
2	1800	2	2200	28	NRAU 10m Activity Contest	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), 6-char grid square	nrau.net
4	0000	5	2359	No WARC	Collegiate QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	School ID or SPC, RS(T)	collegiateqsoparty.com
4	0600	5	0559	3.5-28	Worked All Provinces of China DX Contest	CW	RST, 2-character BY province or serial	www.mulandxc.com
4	0600	5	0600	1.8-28	Oceania DX Contest, Phone	Ph	RS, serial	www.oceaniadxcontest.com
4	1200	5	1159	1.8-28	Russian WW Digital Contest	Dig	RST(Q), oblast code or serial	www.rdrclub.ru
4	1400	5	1400	See rules	IARU Region 1 UHF/Microwaves Contest	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), serial, 6-char grid square	www.iaru-r1.org
4	1600	5	1100	3.5,7	International HELL-Contest	Dig	RST, serial	www.darc.de
4	1600	5	2200	1.8-28	California QSO Party	CW Ph	Serial, CA county or SPC	www.cqp.org
4	2200	4	2359	3.5,7	IARU Region 2 Area G HF SSB Contest	Ph	RS, serial	concursoareag.lu4aa.org
5	0600	5	1000	3.5	UBA ON Contest, SSB	Ph	RS, serial, ON section (if ON)	www.uba.be
5	2200	5	2359	3.5-14	Peanut Power QRP Sprint	CW Ph	RS(T), SPC, peanut no. or pwr	www.nogaqrp.org
6	1900	6	2030	3.5	RSGB 80m Autumn Series, CW	CW	RST, serial	www.rsgbcc.org
8	2300	9	0600	432	432 MHz Fall Sprint	CW Ph Dig	4-char grid square	packratvhf.com
10	0001	10	2359	28	10-10 Int'l 10-10 Day Sprint	CW Ph Dig	Name, mbr or "0," SPC	www.ten-ten.org
11	0000	12	1559	3.5-28	Makrothen RTTY Contest	Dig	4-char grid square	www.pl259.org
11	0000	12	2359	50-1296	ARRL EME Contest	CW Ph Dig	4-char grid square	www.arrl.org/eme-contest
11	0000	11	2359	1.8-28	QRP ARCI Fall QSO Party	CW	RST, SPC, mbr or pwr	qrparki.org
11	0300	12	2100	1.8-28,VHF/ UHF	Nevada QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), NV county or ARRL/RAC Section/"DX"	nvqso.com
11	0600	12	0600	1.8-28	Oceania DX Contest, CW	CW	RST, serial	www.oceaniadxcontest.com
11	1200	12	1200	3.5-28	Scandinavian Activity Contest, SSB	Ph	RS, serial	www.sactest.net
11	1500	12	0500	1.8-28	Arizona QSO Party	CW Ph	RS(T), AZ county or SPC	www.azqp.org
11	1600	12	2200	No WARC	Pennsylvania QSO Party	CW Ph	Serial, PA county or ARRL/RAC Section	paqso.org
11	1800	12	1800	1.8-28,50,144	South Dakota QSO Party	CW Ph	RS(T), SD county or SPC	www.sdqsoparty.com
11	2000	12	2000	1.8	PODXS 070 Club 160m Great Pumpkin Sprint	Dig	RST, SPC	www.podxs070.com
12	0600	12	1000	3.5	UBA ON Contest, CW	CW	RST, serial, ON Section (if ON)	www.uba.be
14	1800	14	1929	3.5,7	DARC RTTY Sprint	Dig	RST, DOK/"NM," or serial	www.darc.de
15	1900	15	2030	3.5,7	AGCW Semi-Automatic Key Evening	CW	RST, serial, 2-digit year first used a bug	www.agcw.de
15	1900	15	2030	3.5	RSGB 80m Autumn Series, Data	Dig	RST, serial	www.rsgbcc.org
16	0000	17	0300	14	Walk for the Bacon QRP Contest	CW	13 WPM max; RST, SPC, name, mbr/ pwr	qrpcontest.com/pigwalk20
16	1900	16	2000	3.5-14	NTC QSO Party	CW	25 WPM max; RST, mbr, or "NM"	pi4ntc.nl
18	0000	19	2359	3.5-28	JARTS WW RTTY Contest	Dig	RST, age of operator	jarts.jp
18	0001	19	2359	28	10-10 Int'l Fall Contest, CW	CW	Name, mbr or "0," SPC	www.ten-ten.org
18	1400	19	0200	No WARC	New York QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), NY county or SPC	www.nyqp.org
18	1400	20	0200	No WARC	YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest	CW Ph Dig	Serial, RS(T), ARRL Section or PC	ylrl.net/contests
18	1500	19	1459	3.5-28	Worked All Germany Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), DOK or "NM" or serial	www.darc.de
18	1500	19	1500	1.8	Stew Perry Topband Challenge	CW	4-char grid square	www.kkn.net/stew
18	2000	18	2359	1.8-28,50	Feld Hell Sprint	Dig	Mbr, SPC, grid square	sites.google.com/site/ feldhellclub
18	2130	18	2330	7	Argentina National 7 MHz Contest	Ph	RS, 2-digit year first licensed	www.lu4aa.org
19	0000	19	0200	14,21	Asia-Pacific Fall Sprint, CW	CW	RST, serial	jsfc.org
19	0700	19	1000	144	UBA ON Contest, 2m	CW Ph	RS(T), serial, ON Section (if ON)	www.uba.be
19	1700	20	0100	1.8-28,50,144	Illinois QSO Party	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), IL county or SPC	w9awe.org/ilqp
19	2300	20	0100	1.8-28	Run for the Bacon QRP Contest	CW	RST, SPC, mbr or pwr	qrpcontest.com/pigrun
20	1300	24	2359	No WARC	ARRL School Club Roundup	CW Ph Dig	RS(T), class (I/C/S), SPC	www.arrl.org/school-club- roundup
22	2000	22	2100	3.5	IRTS 80m Counties Contest	CW Ph	RS(T), serial, EI/GI county (if EI/GI)	www.irts.ie
23	1900	23	2030	3.5	RSGB 80m Autumn Series, SSB	Ph	RS, serial	www.rsgbcc.org
25	0000	26	2359	1.8-28	CQ Worldwide DX Contest, SSB	Ph	RS, CQ zone	www.cqww.com
25	0800	25	1400	902 and above	902 MHz and Up Fall Sprint	CW Ph Dig	6-char grid square	packratvhf.com
26	1300	29	0700	1.8-28,50,144	Classic Exchange, CW	CW	Name, RST, SPC, rcvr/xmtr model	www.classicexchange.org
27	1900	27	2100	3.5-28	RSGB FT4 Contest	Dig	Signal report	www.rsgbcc.org
29	2000	29	2100	3.5	UKEICC 80m Contest	CW	6-char grid square	www.ukeicc.com
31	1500	31	2359	3.5-28	Zombie Shuffle	CW	RS(T), SPC, Zombie no. or area code, name	www.zianet.com

There are a number of weekly contests not included in the table above. For more info, visit: www.qrpfoxhunt.org, www.ncccsprint.com, and www.cwops.org. All dates and times refer to UTC and may be different from calendar dates in North America. Contests are not conducted on the 60-, 30-, 17-, or 12-meter bands. Mbr = Membership number. Serial = Sequential number of the contact. SPC = State, Province, DXCC Entity. XE = Mexican state. Listings in blue indicate contests sponsored by ARRL or NCJ. The latest time to make a valid contest QSO is the minute listed in the "Finish Time" column. Data for Contest Corral is maintained on the WA7BNM Contest Calendar at www.contestcalendar.com and is extracted for publication in QST 2 months prior to the month of the contest. ARRL gratefully acknowledges the support of Bruce Horn, WA7BNM, in providing this service.