**Talking to Your Neighbors Contest**

**Open to anyone in Eastern Washington\*.**

**Contest Time Period: World Amateur Radio Day starting at 1800 Pacific Time to 1800 Pacific Time the following day.**

**Mode & Entry Class:** Any amateur band, any mode that can make the exchange, Single-Op only. Repeaters may be used.

**Please remember that CONTESTING is not allowed on 12m, 17m or 60m by gentlemen’s agreement.** All contacts made on those bands will not count towards your score.

**Exchange:** Callsign, Eastern Washington county you’re in, Class/Power Source

**Class:  
H - Home station:** is defined as any station participating from inside their permanent livable residence.  
**R - Remote station:** is defined as any station operating away from Home.

**Power Source:  
G – Grid power**  
**E – Emergency power** (non-Grid power source)

**QSO Points:**  
1 point for each Eastern Washington contact with a completed exchange  
  
**Multipliers:**   
**Class Multipliers:**Home Station – Multiplier = 1

Remote Station – Multiplier = 2  
**Power Source Multipliers:**   
Grid Power – Multiplier = 1

Emergency Power – Multiplier = 2  
**Elmer Multipliers/Bonuses:**

If you are an Amateur Radio licensee and you mentor someone where they are making the QSO, you will get credit for their QSOs with the following multipliers:  
If the mentored person has an Amateur Radio license, the multiplier = 1 (just add their points to yours).  
If the mentored person doesn’t have an Amateur Radio license, the multiplier = 2.

If the mentored person is under the age of 18 (17 and below), the multiplier = 5.  
Only the highest multiplier is used.

***The mentored person must submit their own log as well as being added to yours.***

**All County Bonus Points**If you make a QSO in each of the twenty counties, you get a bonus of 500 points.

**Score:** The sum of QSO points x The Class Multiplier x The Power Source Multiplier + Mentored QSO points x The Class Multiplier x The Power Source Multiplier x Elmer Multipliers + Plus any all county Bonus.  
  
**Electronic Submission Required**

It is **required** that you submit your log information as an Excel Spreadsheet file which is available at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. **Paper entries will not be accepted.**

**Your entry is *not* complete until a log is submitted electronically.** Incomplete submissions will be rejected and must be resubmitted before the deadline.

Entries must be submitted no later than one week from the start of the contest. Late entries will not be accepted.

**MISC. INFORMATION:**

* Do not interfere with existing nets, exercises or special events. Operation on net frequencies (except during a scheduled net) or adjacent frequencies is acceptable and encouraged.
* Count Multipliers only once.
* You may work the same station once per band and mode.
* Duplicate QSOs will not be counted.
* In the spreadsheet, entries for county, class, power source, mentored, band and mode are limited to the dropdown menus. If you think there should be additional options, please send your recommendations to [AG7QP@arrl.net](mailto:AG7QP@arrl.net).

**AWARDS:** A digital certificate will be awarded to all who participate. **The top 3 finishers will also receive an engraved callsign plaque.**

**LOG ENTRIES: The Excel Spreadsheet Log form must be submitted to** [**AG7QP@arrl.net**](mailto:AG7QP@arrl.net) **no later than one week after the start of the contest. That will be 1800 Pacific Time seven days following the contest start.**

**The following are allowed entries in the spreadsheet. These are all in dropdown menus:**

**\*This contest is open to anyone in the following Eastern Washington Counties (These counties are in the dropdown menu of the spreadsheet):**

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| Adams | Columbia | Garfield | Lincoln | Stevens |
| Asotin | Douglas | Grant | Okanogan | Walla Walla |
| Benton | Ferry | Kittitas | Pend Oreille | Whitman |
| Chelan | Franklin | Klickitat | Spokane | Yakima |

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| **Class** | **Power Source** | **Mentored** | **Band** | **Mode** |
| Home  Remote | Grid  Emergency | Licensed  Not Licensed  Youth | 160 M  80 M  40 M  30 M  20 M  15 M  10 M  6 M  2 M  1.25 M  70 CM  SHF | SSB  FM  CW  RTTY  PSK  FLDigi  AM  FT8  FT4  DMR  D-Star  Fusion  Other |