

9V FM QSO Party Manual

March 2026

1. Objective:

- 1.1. To promote FM activity on the VHF band.
- 1.2. To provide an opportunity for newly licensed radio amateurs to have more QSOs.
- 1.3. To encourage radio amateurs to work greater distances than usual by operating in favourable locations and by optimising equipment and operating techniques at both field and home stations.
- 1.4. The QSO Party is open to all licensed radio amateurs in Singapore and surrounding regions.

2. Dates and Time

- 2.1. From **14:00 to 16:00 SGT (UTC+8)** on **Sunday 29 March 2026**.

3. Bands and Modes

- 3.1. **FM mode** on the 2m band and the 70cm band.
- 3.2. Contacts should be made in below **12 channels on the 2m band and 12 channels on the 70cm band** only. Do not occupy general calling frequency 145.500 MHz or uplink/downlink frequency of repeaters.

145.200 MHz 145.225 MHz 145.250 MHz 145.275 MHz
145.300 MHz 145.325 MHz 145.350 MHz 145.375 MHz
145.400 MHz 145.425 MHz 145.450 MHz 145.475 MHz

433.600 MHz 433.625 MHz 433.650 MHz 433.675 MHz
433.700 MHz 433.725 MHz 433.750 MHz 433.775 MHz
433.800 MHz 433.825 MHz 433.850 MHz 433.875 MHz

4. Exchange

- 4.1. Stations shall exchange **signal reports** as well as their **full six-digit Maidenhead locator**.
Maidenhead locator map: <https://qsl.design/en/find-qth-locator/>
- 4.2. All stations are free to move to different Maidenhead locator between QSOs.
Stations must provide accurate Maidenhead locator at the time of contact.
- 4.3. The Maidenhead locator is optional for stations outside Singapore. You may fill in QTH in the GRID field or leave it blank.
- 4.4. Stations are free to exchange any additional information after the required exchanges.

5. Categories

- 5.1. High Power: Total output power is **more than 5 watts**, but **must not exceed the legal limit**.

- 5.2. Low Power: Total output power **must not exceed 5 watts**.
- 5.3. Rover: Total output power **must not exceed 5 watts**. Station must use **at least 5 different Maidenhead locators** during the event.
- 5.4. One person (the operator) performs all operating and logging functions. There is no limit on band changes. Only one transmitted signal is permitted at any time.

6. Scoring

- 6.1. Stations may be contacted once on each band.
- 6.2. The final score is equal to the total number of QSOs with unique stations on each band.

7. Contacts

- 7.1. Contacts must be two-way point to point on the same frequency. Cross-frequency, cross-band, repeater or satellite contacts are not allowed.
- 7.2. **Self-spotting is strictly NOT allowed** on all platforms.
- 7.3. **No non-RF confirmation of a QSO is allowed**. Any information related to the contact should be exchanged over RF.
- 7.4. **Listen before transmitting**. It is recommended to monitor a frequency for at least 15 seconds before calling CQ.
- 7.5. **Do not occupy a frequency for too long**. It is recommended to call CQ 3-5 times with 10 seconds in between, and change frequency if no response.

8. Logging

- 8.1. Stations shall keep logs of all contact made in the event period.
- 8.2. The log can be in physical or electronic form. A sample log sheet is available at the end of this document. You must use the sample log sheet if you decide to write a physical log. You can use Excel or any logging software to record the log in electronic form.

9. Log Submission

- 9.1. Log shall be submitted **by 23:59 SGT on Sunday 5 April 2026** by e-mail to qsoparty@sarts.org.sg. Entries received after the cut-off time will not be processed.
- 9.2. Rename your log file with **your callsign**. Change the email title to **your callsign + category**. Submissions without indication of category will be counted as high power.
- 9.3. You can submit your log in pictures of physical log sheet, Excel, PDF or ADIF format.

10. Awards and Certificates

- 10.1. All participants will be given a pdf participant certificate.
- 10.2. A separate certificate will be issued for the first three places in the QSO Party.

