

SWL's New Year Contest 2026

This contest, sponsored by the SWL-section of the VERON, is open to SWL-stations all over the world.

The date of this contest is **Sunday 4 January 2026**.

The aim of the contest is: Logging of three sequential hours somewhere between 00.00 and 24.00 UTC on both 80/40 or only on 80 or only 40 meterband.

It is not necessary to start the three hour period at the full hour.

Only **three different** stations from each DXCC country count for the points, no matter the band (see log example).

For the first station you may claim 5 points, the second station 3 points and for the third station 1 point. Thus the maximum score by every DXCC is 9 points.

Only stations in phone are permitted.

The use of **WebSDR** for the logging in this contest is **not permitted**; the SWL should only operate with own receiver and antenna.

The log has to contain following items: Time (UTC or GMT), Band, Heard station, Working station, RS, Points.

Remark: it is not allowed to use the same "working station" more than 10 times!

A participant in the contest herewith agrees with publication by VERON of the results in the monthly VERON-magazine Electron, as well as on the VERON-website and in other by VERON used and/or chosen media.

Example of the log:

| UTC | Band | Station | Working | RS | Points |
|-------|------|---------|---------|----|--------|
| 06:00 | 40 | ON6NL | ON6MP | 59 | 5 |
| 06:00 | 40 | ON6MP | ON6NL | 59 | 3 |
| 06:33 | 40 | GB2SM | PA0SE | 59 | 5 |
| 06:33 | 40 | PA0SE | GB2SM | 59 | 5 |
| 07:45 | 80 | ON5DU | DL7LD/p | 56 | 1 |
| 07:48 | 80 | DL0HQ | OH1BH | 58 | 5 |
| 07:50 | 80 | PA0MPM | DL7LD/p | 59 | 3 |
| 07:54 | 80 | GM0MTF | G0TUC | 45 | 5 |
| 07:54 | 80 | G0TUC | GM0MTF | 56 | 3 |
| 08:10 | 80 | GOABE | PA0SE | 57 | 1 |

Total score 36 points

Logs in Cabrillo format are very welcome! In that case it is not needed to add the points yourself.

The winner of this contest obtains a plaquette or cup. SWL's with 10 or more entries in the log will receive the New Year Contest Award.

The logs must be sent **before 31 January 2026** to the contest manager: Ruud Ivens, NL290, Hittekamp 29, 3956 RE Leersum, The Netherlands. Also you may submit your log by e-mail to: NL290@veron.nl

Good Luck and see you in the contest.
73, Ruud, NL290.