**2025 SDA QSO PARTY RULES**

Contest Periods: 0200 UTC February 02, 2025 to 0200 UTC February 03, 2025

(Saturday 2100 EST February 01 to Sunday 2100 EST February 02)

(Saturday 1800 PST February 01 to Sunday 1800 PST February 02)

Eligible Participants: Licensed amateurs who are members of the Adventist Amateur Radio Association International or who regularly participate in Adventist Amateur Radio Association International nets or Bible study groups or licensed amateur SDA’s who want to take part in the QSO Party.

Object: To QSO as many different members of the Adventist Amateur Radio Association International located in as many US states, Canadian provinces, and other DXCC Country entities as possible.

Frequencies: Operation is restricted to 80, 40, 20, 15, and 10 meters.

LSB\_USB: Suggested operating frequencies on/within 5 kHz of 3.973, 7.265, 14.328, 21.405, and 28.320 MHz.

CW: Suggested operating frequencies on/within 5 kHz of 3.550, 7.050, 14.050, 21.050, and 28.050 MHz.

Cross-band operation is not permitted for all LSB\_USB\_CW contacts

Calling and Listening Times: Calls and contacts may be made at any time during the contest.

Suggested times for LSB\_USB calling/listening are on the hour and at 30 minutes past each hour.

Suggested times for CW calling/listening are at 15 minutes and 45 minutes past each hour.

Regularly Scheduled Nets: are suspended during the period of the contest; members are encouraged to be available for contact at the time and frequency of the regularly scheduled nets to earn/give QSO points to participating QSO party stations

Calling Procedure: Call “CQ SDA” or “CQ SDA QSO Party.”

QSO exchange: must contain the following to be valid for scoring:

1) Station call signs

2) Station operator’s first names

3) State or province, or, for stations outside of USA and Canada, the DXCC country in which the station is located

4) SDA Union

Valid QSO: A QSO is valid when the station you contact confirms the reception of the QSO exchange you sent to him/her and you confirm the reception of the QSO exchange he/she sent to you.

Disqualifications: violating any SDA QSO party rules or the rules governing amateur radio operation.

Scoring: QSO power points are awarded for each valid QSO and are determined from this table:

Transmitter Output ----- Points

1 to 50 watts --------- 10 points

51 to 750 watts -------- 9 points

751 to 1500 watts ------- 8 points

Total Score = Total # of Different Stations QSO’d + Total # of Different Unions QSO’d + Total # of Power Points

Awards: Station with highest total score will be declared the overall winner. Summary of all scores will be issued.

SDA QSO Party Scoring Log: Top Section of Log must contain 1) Your Call Sign, 2) Your Name, 3) Your Mailing Address, and 4) Your E-Mail Address. Each scoring entry of Log must contain: 1) QSO No., 2) Band, 3) Date of Contact, 4) Time of contact (UTC), 5) Station worked call sign, 6) New Station? status, 7) Operator’s name of station worked, 8) State or Entity location, 9) Union Location of station worked, 10) New Union? status, 11) Output Power, 12) Power Points, 13) Mode

[Note: Log can be completed electronically to calculate score or filled out manually to calculate score]

Entry logs must be received by February 23, 2025:

Mail QSO Party Scoring Log to: Garth Stoltz (ARS: WY8Z), 451 W. Kirby Rd., Battle Creek, Michigan 49017

OR: E-mail Scoring Log to: wy8z-garth@hotmail.com