

# The Hiram Percy Maxim 150th Birthday Celebration Operating Event



September 2, 2019 marks the 150th anniversary of the birth of the League's first president and co-founder, Hiram Percy Maxim, W1AW. As with earlier birthday milestones, ARRL is holding an operating event to celebrate Maxim's legacy.

**Duration:** The 9-day event begins 0000 UTC August 31 and runs until 2359 UTC September 8.

**Objective:** To participate, simply find stations operating in the event (many of which will add "/150" to their call signs) and contact as many as possible.

**Eligibility:** All amateur stations may participate. W1AW and all ARRL members are eligible to append /150 to their call sign during this event (this includes DX stations who are members, who may operate as call sign/150 if permitted by the regulations of their country of license).

**Exchange:** All W/VE stations send RST and their ARRL/RAC section. DX stations send RST and "DX."

**Bands:** All amateur bands LF/HF/VHF/UHF/SHF/microwave/light (excluding 60, 30, 17, and 12 meters).

**Modes:** Three mode groups will be recognized in the event — CW, Phone, and Digital.

**Scoring:** Cabrillo log files must be supplied. ARRL will calculate the final scores based on the participant uploads to our event web app at <http://contests.arrl.org/arrlHPM150scoresubmission.php>.

**Multipliers:** There are 84 multipliers in total. Contact just once each of the

83 ARRL and RAC sections (RAC sections include the Canadian "NT," Northern Territories), and DX. See [www.arrl.org/contest-sections-list](http://www.arrl.org/contest-sections-list) for ARRL/RAC sections.

**QSO Points:** Contacts with W1AW/150 will earn 3 points per QSO; contacts with any ARRL member will earn 2 points per QSO (these stations will also identify as call sign/150), and contacts with non-members will earn 1 point each (these stations will identify with their call sign only).

**Bonus Points:** All bonus points will be applied upon submission of entries to the web app. 150 bonus points will be earned by successfully completing one or more activities as described below.

- ◆ Contacting W1AW/150 on each band and mode will earn bonus points for each band/mode contact (no band/mode duplicates are permitted).
- ◆ ARRL members earn bonus points.
- ◆ Use of social media to publicize this event and/or your participation before, during, or after the event.
- ◆ QRP operation (using 5 W PEP output or fewer throughout the entire event).
- ◆ Making at least 20 or more portable contacts.
- ◆ Completing 150 or more QSOs.

**Submissions:** Cabrillo log files are required and must be uploaded



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via web app at <http://contests.arrl.org/arrlHPM150scoresubmission.php>. No email or paper submissions will be accepted.

**Scoring Calculations:** Calculations are made by ARRL when you submit your entry via the web app and are calculated as follows:

Total QSO points accumulated on all band/mode combinations × total multipliers (84 maximum) = subtotal + total bonus points earned = grand total.

Online certificates will be awarded and will be available via download only at <http://contests.arrl.org/certificates.php>. Results will be publicized at [www.arrl.org/hpm150-birthday-celebration](http://www.arrl.org/hpm150-birthday-celebration).

**Additional information:** Participating ARRL members who use Logbook of The World (LoTW) are encouraged to create a separate LoTW certificate for their call sign/150, and to upload their logs for this event using their /150 certificate. For information on adding your call sign/150 to your LoTW account, see <https://lotw.arrl.org/lotw-help/multiple-callsigns-locations/?lang=en>.

## W1AW Bulletin Schedule Advisory

W1AW Bulletin listeners should be aware that the W1AW operating schedule during this period may be adjusted to accommodate on-air celebration operating activities.