



I.A.C. - Italian Activity Contest

RULES FOR 2017 I.A.C. EDITION

Scope:

Main goal of the I.A.C. - Italian Activity Contest is to promote, encourage and support the use of the HAM bands from 50 MHz to 2,3 GHz and up which, for many reasons and from several points of view, can be surely considered as one of the most interesting and exciting portions of the electromagnetic spectrum.

In order to facilitate the active participation to the contest of the youngest people, representing the new generation HAMs and the future of our association, starting from the I.A.C. edition 2017 the "Youngster" category "Y" has been introduced, reserved to participants aged under 26.

Key words of this I.A.C. edition are : rules simplification, broadening and increase in participation and obviously, a lot of fun!

PARTECIPANTS:

All OM/YOUNGSTERS, all over the world.

DURATION:

From January to December, 2017

TIME:

- From April to October : from 17.00 to 21.00 UTC
- From November to March : from 18.00 to 22.00 UTC

CATEGORIES AND BAND:

There is no difference between Single Operator and Multi Operator mode.

Italian HAMs :

- 1IT 50 MHz - second Thursday of the month
- 2IT 144 MHz - first Tuesday of the month
- 3IT 432 MHz - second Tuesday of the month
- 4IT 1296 MHz - third Tuesday of the month
- 5IT 2,3 GHz & Up - fourth Tuesday of the month

Foreign HAMs (EC):

- 1EC 50 MHz - second Thursday of the month
- 2EC 144 MHz - first Tuesday of the month
- 3EC 432 MHz - second Tuesday of the month
- 4EC 1296 MHz - third Tuesday of the month
- 5EC 2,3 GHz & Up - fourth Tuesday of the month

YOUNGSTERS – Young HAMs aged under 26 (Y):

- 1Y 50 MHz - second Thursday of the month
- 2Y 144 MHz - first Tuesday of the month
- 3Y 432 MHz - second Tuesday of the month
- 4Y 1296 MHz - third Tuesday of the month
- 5Y 2,3 GHz & Up - fourth Tuesday of the month

REPORTS:

RS(T) report + WW Locator in its complete, 6 - characters format (es. : JN54AS).

EMISSION MODES:

SSB and CW are allowed on all bands.

Cross-mode is permitted, provided the relevant RST reports are correctly reported in the log.

All digital emission modes are permitted, but in the 1IT, 1EC and 1Y (50 MHz) categories only.

Contacts via EME, satellite or repeater of any kind are not allowed.

Within the same monthly round, only one QSO with a given station is permitted, independently on the emission mode.

LOG CONTENT REQUIREMENTS:

Only logs recording at least one QSO with an Italian station, in whatever participation category, will be considered valid and suitable for the monthly score and multiplier calculation.

LOG FORMAT AND TIMING:

The logs, in **.edi** format, must be sent via e – mail **within 7 days** from the participation date, to iu1eaf@arifidenza.it, or by means of the upload button on the Contest Manager's web page, at iu1eaf.altervista.org.

The correct naming of the log file **.edi** and of the e – mail title (in the field "**SUBJECT**") according to the following syntax and format rules mandatory.

The automatic answer sent via e – mail at the time of the log receipt holds as a confirmation that your log has been correctly received. This e – mail doesn't need any answer.

Naming of the log file:

CATEGORY (blank) **CALL** (blank) **MONTH.edi**

Examples for any category :

1IT IZ4VMA Gennaio.edi

1EC S57RR Gennaio.edi

1Y IU1EAF-4 Gennaio.edi

Naming of the "subject" field in the e – mail:

CATEGORY (blank) **CALL** (blank) **MONTH.edi**

MONTHLY SCORE:

For All categories: **1 point/km.** (QRB)

TOTAL SCORE:

Sum of all monthly scores multiplied by the number of participation months.

For the 2017 I.A.C. edition, 11 months out of 12 will be considered as valid.

Should a station participate to all 12 months of the year, a score gap of one month will be considered, and a multiplier gap of one month as well (by default, the minimum score obtained in the year).

If for a given month a log is classified as "Control Log" the corresponding monthly score will be set to zero, but the concerned month will still be counted as a multiplier.

MINIMUM PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS:

To be qualified in the final yearly ranking of any category, a participant station must score at least 7 contest runs out of 12.

RESULTS:

The results will be published on the official A.R.I. web site within 60 days from the participation date(s).

PRIZES:

A.R.I. will award the first three top score stations for each category (IT, EC, Y).

Should the ranking list of a given category contain less than 5 participants, the top scored station (first classified) will be awarded with a prize, the second and third classified station with diploma.

RadioKit Elettronica will award with a digital subscription each (two yearly and two biannual) four randomly chosen stations among all participants.

IOJXX will award with a 8JXX2 antenna a randomly chosen station among those having scored at least 7 contest runs out of 12.

NOTE concerning the random choice for RadioKit Elettronica and IOJXX prizes : the call sign of the participant stations will be put into the random extraction box once for each participation band.

The award ceremonies will take place during the A.R.I. VHF & up meeting in spring 2018.

Participants unable to personally collect their prizes during the meeting, will be allowed to ask for the shipment of the prize to their home address.

The shipment will be free of charge for the participant, and the shipment costs will be charged on A.R.I.

FINAL REMARKS:

All participants are kindly requested to respect the I.A.R.U. band-plan and the restrictions imposed by the regulations currently in force in their country.

For any aspect not explicitly ruled by this document, the A.R.I. Trophy Regulation holds as reference regulation.

The only, officially valid Contest rules for I.A.C. 2017 edition will be the one published on the A.R.I. National web site: (www.ari.it) and on the web site of the Contest Manager (iu1eaf.altervista.org).

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I.A.C. Calendar 2017

	Tuesday				Thursday	Time (UTC)	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Second	Start	End
	144 MHz	432 MHz	1296 MHz	2,3 GHz & Up	50 MHz		
January	3	10	17	24	12	18	22
Log to be sent within	10-jan-2017	17-jan-2017	24-jan-2017	31-jan-2017	19-jan-2017	-	-
February	7	14	21	28	9	18	22
Log to be sent within	14-feb-2017	21-feb-2017	28-feb-2017	07-mar-2017	16-feb-2017	-	-
March	7	14	21	28	9	18	22
Log to be sent within	14-mar-2017	21-mar-2017	28-mar-2017	04-apr-2017	16-mar-2017	-	-
April	4	11	18	25	13	17	21
Log to be sent within	11-apr-2017	18-apr-2017	25-apr-2017	02-may-2017	20-apr-2017	-	-
May	2	9	16	23	11	17	21
Log to be sent within	09-may-2017	16-may-2017	23-may-2017	30-may-2017	18-may-2017	-	-
June	6	13	20	27	8	17	21
Log to be sent within	13-jun-2017	20-jun-2017	27-jun-2017	04-jul-2017	15-jun-2017	-	-
July	4	11	18	25	13	17	21
Log to be sent within	11-jul-2017	18-jul-2017	25-jul-2017	01-aug-2017	20-jul-2017	-	-
August	1	8	15	22	10	17	21
Log to be sent within	08-aug-2017	15-aug-2017	22-aug-2017	29-aug-2017	17-aug-2017	-	-
September	5	12	19	26	14	17	21
Log to be sent within	12-sep-2017	19-sep-2017	26-sep-2017	03-oct-2017	21-sep-2017	-	-
October	3	10	17	24	12	17	21
Log to be sent within	10-oct-2017	17-oct-2017	24-oct-2017	31-oct-2017	19-oct-2017	-	-
November	7	14	21	28	9	18	22
Log to be sent within	14-nov-2017	21-nov-2017	28-nov-2017	05-dec-2017	16-nov-2017	-	-
December	5	12	19	26	14	18	22
Log to be sent within	12-dec-2017	19-dec-2017	26-dec-2017	02-jan-2018	21-dec-2018	-	-

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