

# Independence Day Brazil Contest – 2010

## Rules

**Mode:** PSK31 (BPSK31)

**Date:** September 04-05, 2010

**Start:** 12:00hs UTC Saturday

**End:** 12:00hs UTC Sunday

### 1 – Objective:

The Cantareira DX Group have the honour to invite the radio amateurs all over the world to participate in the Independence Day Brazil Contest. The contest is to establish as many contacts as possible between radio amateurs around the world and radio amateurs in the South America. Everybody can work everybody.

**2 – Period of Operatio:** 24 hours

**3 – Bands:** 10m (28 MHz), 15m (21 MHz), 20m (14 MHz), 40m (7 MHz).

**3.1** – No allowed: WARC bands, 80 and 160 meters.

### 4 – Terms of competition for all categories:

**4.1** – All entrants must operate within the limits of their chosen category, any irregular activity can impact your score.

**4.2** – Only the entrant's callsign can be used to aid the entrant's score. A different callsign must be used for each entry.

**4.3** – You are not allowed a second station or radio that works only multipliers.

**4.4** – All entrants must not exceed 100 watts total output power, or the maximum output power of their station licence, or the power limit of their entry category.

**4.5** – The use of DX spotting nets is allowed in all categories.

**4.6** – Self-spotting or asking other stations to spot you is not allowed.

**4.7** – All operation must take place from one operating site. Transmitters and receivers must be located within a 500 meter diameter circle or within the property limits of the station licensee's address, whichever is greater. All antennas used by the entrant must be physically connected by wires to the transmitters and receivers used by the entrant.

**4.8** – Operator may be a member of a single station and can't longer participate in any other category or another station in the same contest.

**4.9** – Member of Contest Committee can take part in the contest, but no pretension to get any award.

## **5 – Categories:**

### **5.1 – Single Operator, Single Band, High Power (SOSB-HP).**

One person performs all of the operating and logging functions. Only one transmitted signal is permitted at any time. Total output power must not exceed 100 watts..

### **5.2 – Single Operator, Single Band, Low Power (SOSB-LP).**

One person performs all of the operating and logging functions. Only one transmitted signal is permitted at any time. Total output power must not exceed 10 watts.

### **5.3 – Single Operator, All Band, High Power (SOAB-HP).**

One person performs all of the operating and logging functions. Only one transmitted signal is permitted at any time. Total output power must not exceed 100 watts.

### **5.4 – Single Operator, All Band, Low Power, (SOAB-LP).**

One person performs all of the operating and logging functions. Only one transmitted signal is permitted at any time. Total output power must not exceed 10 watts.

## **6 – Exchange:**

RST report plus a progressive contact serial number starting with 001 for the first contact. All categories must use a single serial number sequence for the complete log. (for example 599 001)

## **7 – QSO Points.**

Each station can be credited only once per band.

- Five (5) points for contacts with stations not Brazilian.
- Ten (10) points for contacts with stations in Brazil.

## **8 – Scoring:** Scoring is the same for all stations.

The final score is the sum of confirmed contacts from all bands multiplied by the sum of QSO points from all bands. Scoring = (The total of the confirmed contacts) x (The total of the QSO points)

A Single-Band log will be eligible for a Single-Band award only. If a log contains more than one band, only contacts made on the band specified in the Cabrillo header will be considered for scoring purposes.

## **9 – Call:** CQ CDX TEST

## **10 – Awards:** There are two awards for each category.

**10.1 – Brazilian stations:** First place certificates will be awarded in each categorie.

**10.2 – DX stations:** First place certificates will be awarded in each categorie.

**10.3 –** A participation certificate will be awarded to every station that makes at least 100 contacts.

All certificates will be available at the [www.brcontest.com](http://www.brcontest.com) website for downloading.

## **11 – Log Instructions:**

**11.1** – All times must be in UTC. All sent and received exchanges are to be logged.

**11.2** – All logs must be Cabrillo format. The Contest Committee accepts logs in the Cabrillo format only. The Cabrillo specification can be found at [www.brcontest.com](http://www.brcontest.com).

**11.3** – Every participant must declare their entry in one category only, any remaining QSO's will be used as check logs.

**11.4** – All entrants must indicate the output power (HP or LP) in the Cabrillo log. If no power is mentioned in the log the participant's score will be moved to High Power category automatically.

**11.5** – Filename must be the stations callsign.  
(for example: PS2Y.cbr or PS2Y.log).

**11.6** – Portable callsigns should use a hyphen.  
(for example: PW2P-PY0.log for PW2P/PY0)

**11.7** – Dupes are contacts made with the same station on the same band and mode. If the first contact between stations is valid, Dupes have zero (0) points value. If the first contact is not valid, second (Dupe) contact is accepted. Dupe contacts are not penalized, one does not have to mark them in the log submission. Moreover, entrants are strictly recommended to leave Dupes in the log file. Do not delete Dupes.

**11.8** – The entrant to send the log will receive an email with the protocol of receipt via e-mail informed the upload page. After 12 hours [www.brcontest.com](http://www.brcontest.com) should access the site and verify that the Cabrillo file is in the list of logs received. If present error in Cabrillo format, a new file can be sent.

All logs received via upload will be confirmed via email. A listing of logs received can be found at [www.brcontest.com](http://www.brcontest.com).

## **12 – Disqualification:**

Violation of amateur radio regulations in the country of the contestant, or the rules of the contest; unsportsmanlike conduct; taking credit for excessive unverifiable contacts or unverifiable multipliers will be deemed sufficient cause for disqualification. Incorrectly logged calls will be counted as unverifiable contacts.

Any use by an entrant of any non-amateur means including, but not limited to, telephones, email, Internet, Instant Messenger, chat rooms, VoIP, or the use of DX cluster to solicit, arrange, or confirm any contacts during the contest is unsportsmanlike and the entry is subject to disqualification.

An entrant whose log is deemed by the Contest Committee to contain a large number of discrepancies may be disqualified from eligibility for an award.

**13 – Declaration:** By participating in the Independence Day Brazil Contest you agree that:

- a) You have read and understood the rules of the contest and agree to be bound by them, as well as all rules and regulations for amateur radio in the country of operation;
- b) your log entry may be made open to the public, and
- c) all actions and decisions of the Independence Day Brazil Contest Committee are official and final.

**14 – Log Deadline:** September 15, 2010

Logs must be submitted to the Contest Committee no later than 2010/SEP/15

Logs received after the deadline may be listed in the results but will be ineligible for any award.

**15 – Log Submission:**

We will accept logs only through our Log Submit Page.

<http://brcontest.com/indday/up/>

We do not accept paper logs and summary.

Contact Information:

Contest Committee, e-mail: [brcontest@brcontest.com](mailto:brcontest@brcontest.com) (Do not send logs via e-mail)

Official website Independence Day Brazil Contest: <http://www.brcontest.com>

Log-Template:

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START-OF-LOG: 2.0
ARRL-SECTION: DX
CALLSIGN: PY2EB
CATEGORY: SINGLE-OP 10M LOW BPSK31
CATEGORY-OVERLAY: SINGLE-OP
CLAIMED-SCORE: 0
CLUB: Cantareira DX Group
CONTEST: CDX-PSK31
CREATED-BY: MMTTY
NAME: Augusto Reis
E-MAIL: py2eb@hotmail.com
ADDRESS: Av Calim Eid, 662
ADDRESS: 03695-010
ADDRESS: São Paulo/SP
ADDRESS: Brazil
OPERATORS: PY2EB
SOAPBOX: This is a Independence Day Brazil Contest Cabrillo log format example.
QSO: 28121 RY 2009-09-07 0034 PY2EB 599 001 PY2CM 599 004 0
QSO: 28121 RY 2009-09-07 0047 PY2EB 599 002 PU2WOT 599 1 0
QSO: 28121 RY 2009-09-07 0057 PY2EB 599 003 PY2PE 599 004 0
QSO: 28121 RY 2009-09-07 0138 PY2EB 599 008 PY2DN 599 004 0
END-OF-LOG:
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