

# SMC Life Time Achievement Award

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The award is earned by members who contribute 10,000 QSOs to club contest efforts. It is a one-time award with no endorsements, or time limit.

The purpose of this award is to recognize SMC members for their continued contribution to club efforts, regardless of station capabilities, and to increase SMC club scores. Most members will require several years or more to complete the requirements. This is the reason for it being a life time award.

1. QSOs must be from listed contests after January 1, 2020. The contestee must be a member in good standing at the time of the contest. SMC membership lapses are allowed, but points are not accumulated during periods of non-membership.
2. One point is awarded for each QSO in the listed contests.
3. The contests where members can gain points are:
  - NAQP - CW, Phone, RTTY
  - ARRL 10 Meter
  - ARRL 160 Meter
  - ARRL DX - CW and Phone
  - ARRL RTTY Round UP
  - ARRL Sweepstakes - CW and Phone
  - ARRL VHF Contests - January, June, September
  - CQ 160 Meter - CW and Phone
  - CQ WPX - CW, Phone, RTTY
  - CQWW - CW, Phone, RTTY
  - CQWW VHF
  - IL QSO Party
  - IN QSO Party
  - WI QSO Party
4. Points are credited from the published results by the contest sponsor.
5. Members are expected to submit their scores to the SMC with the following exceptions.
  - a. The NAQP does not have a club competition. Members who submit scores to the NAQP Challenge will have their points credited. Members do not have to be a member of an SMC team but are encouraged to join one.
  - b. SMC member entries that cannot claim SMC as their affiliated club because they are outside the ARRL or CQ circles may claim other clubs and still get LAA QSO credit.
  - c. Members are encouraged to use their own state's QSO Party as a contesting recruitment opportunity at your local club. Members are encouraged to submit their scores for their local club.
6. Members participating in multi-op efforts will be eligible to earn QSO points. Their points will be final QSO total divided by the number of operators. Both the station owner and operator

claiming their share of the QSO credits must be SMC members. Members wishing to claim multi-op points must notify the awards manager of their desire to claim these points after the results are published.

7. Guest operator points will be awarded to the operator. For example, WT2P @ WB9Z will count for WT2P. If the station owner's call is used for the contest, the station owner must also be an SMC member.
8. Awards will be presented once per year at the SMC Fest or another event set by the SMC Board of Directors. Award winners not present will have their awards delivered by other methods. Points accumulated from the start of the program to 90 days before the presentation event will be eligible for the current year's award. Points credited in the interim 90 days will be applied to the next year's award opportunity.