Sample QSOs

Having a QSO

Nearly all operators have all been through the nervousness of "That first QSO". Therefore when you start operating on the amateur bands it may be an advantage to follow the format of a QSO given below. As you become more experienced then you will adopt your own style.

HF CONTACT

1/   LISTEN ON THE FREQUENCY for about 3 to 4 minutes.

2/   Ask "IS THIS FREQUENCY IN USE PLEASE" then **LISTEN.**

3/   Ask again "IS THIS FREQUENCY IN USE PLEASE" then **LISTEN.**

4/   Then you call CQ CQ CQ CQ CQ this is M3***, CQ CQ CQ CQ CQ this is MIKE 3***, CQ CQ CQ CQ CQ this is MIKE 3***.

5/   On receiving a reply
M3### this is M3***. Good morning/afternoon/evening thanks for coming back to my call. Your report is [59]. My name is ///// The QTH / location is Chelmsford. So how do you copy? M3### this is M3***.

6/   M3*** this is M3###. The other station will give their information and your report. At the end of the over they will transmit M3*** this is M3### over.

7/   The QSO will continue until the conversation ends. Normally concludes with M3### this is M3*** signing off and standing by for further calls.

Note: 5 CQs and greater use of the phonetic alphabet may be needed on the HF bands as they are often noisier, compared to 3 CQs on VHF

Sample QSOs

VHF SSB/FM QSO.

1/   LISTEN ON THE **CALLING and selected working** FREQUENCY for about 1 to 2 minutes.

2/   Change back to CALLING frequency. Ask "IS THIS FREQUENCY IN USE PLEASE" then **LISTEN.**

3/   Then you call CQ CQ CQ this is M3***, CQ CQ CQ this is M3***, CQ CQ CQ this is M3***.

4/   On receiving a reply
M3### this is M3***, Please change frequency / QSY to xxxxxx.
[Selected working frequency]

5/   On working frequency
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