

# YO VHF/UHF Marathon 2018

## Rules

**Purpose:** YO VHF/UHF Marathon it's an "OPEN" contest, who intend to promote the activity of YO stations on VHF/UHF bands.

**Who can join?** Each and every hamradio from Romania, or any other country, with a valid hamradio authorization and whom accepts the present set of rules.

**Contest days:** Every third Sunday of each month, from April to November 2018.

Listed below are the contest dates of the total of 8 rounds of the YO VHF/UHF Marathon:

Round	Date
First	April 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Second	May 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Third	June 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Fourth	July 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Fifth	August 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Sixth	September 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2018
Seventh	October 21 <sup>st</sup> , 2018
Eighth	November 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2018

**Round period:** From 07:00 to 12:00 GMT.

**Bands:** Bands to be used for the contest are 144 MHz and 432 MHz, according to IARU Region I band plan.

### Categories:

**SINGLE** (single operator, both bands)

**MULTI** (multi operator, both bands)

In each round, both bands can be used, but logs will be made separately for each band.

### Modes:

**CW / SSB / FM**

Only one contact per band can be made with each station, regardless of working mode.

Only one signal/band allowed at any time for one station.

**Exchange:** RS or RST + serial number starting 001 + QTH Locator.

**Example:** 59(9) 001 KN00XX

Each round will start with 001.

**Scoring:** 1 km = 1 point, regardless the band.

**Logs:** Only electronic logs in EDI format files are accepted, separately for each band.

The log must contain the following information:

- Date (TDate)

- Callsign (**PCall**)
- QTH locator (**PWWLo**)
- Category (**PSect**) **SINGLE / MULTI**
- Band (**PBand**)
- Email address of main operator (**RHBBS**)

**Logs** must be sent by email, in maximum 7 (seven) days from the end of each round, to [maraton@uus.ro](mailto:maraton@uus.ro) Logs received later than 7 (seven) days will not be counted.

The confirmation of received logs will be done by email. Received logs list will be posted on site as soon as possible.

**Penalties:**

- QSOs with a time gap higher than 5 (five) minutes will not be counted.

**Log checking and partial results posting:** it will be done in maximum 5 (five) days after receiving logs term is over.

**Claims:** If they are any claims to the results, they will be send by email to [maraton@uus.ro](mailto:maraton@uus.ro) and they will be solved in maximum 2 (two) days after the date the preliminary results were posted on site.

**Round results and aggregate:** Final results table for each round and aggregated total score will be posted on site [www.maraton.uus.ro](http://www.maraton.uus.ro) in maximum 2 (two) days after the claims period is expired. Also, a notification email will be sent to every station who sent a valid log, when the results are posted on site.

**Final results:**

Final results will be posted at the end of the contest, for the following categories:

- 144MHz **SINGLE**
- 144MHz **MULTI**
- 432MHz **SINGLE**
- 432MHz **MULTI**

**Awards:** Electronic-format awards will be sent to first three stations in each category.

**Remarks:**

- There are no penalties for dupe QSOs, they just won't be counted.
- There will be no penalties if some errors appear in the serial number transmitted.
- Use of DX clusters are allowed in every category, however, self-spotting is forbidden. Scheduling QSOs is permitted only by chat on the site [www.on4kst.org](http://www.on4kst.org)
- Logs name should be like:  
**callsign\_144.EDI (example YR0XXX\_144.EDI )**  
**callsign\_432.EDI (example YR0XXX\_432.EDI )**
- Log checking and results will be made only based on the logs received by email to the address [maraton@uus.ro](mailto:maraton@uus.ro).

**Issues/Ideas:** If you note any issues with this rules or the contest, or have any idea to help us, please report to [www.forum.uus.ro](http://www.forum.uus.ro) , section “**Maraton VHF/UHF**”. Thank you!