W1AW/0 Minnesota Signup

Who Can Be A W1AW/0 Portable Operator?

- Any ARRL Affiliated Club or Individual ARRL member.
- No approval is necessary to reserve MN W1AW/Ø time slots.
 - $\circ~$ The time slot is for two-hours with a specific mode and band combination.
 - Timeslots are in UTC. Local time will start on an odd hour (UTC-5).
 - Once they are reserved, you *can't switch times, modes, or bands.
 - *For assistance please contact your state coordinators: <u>arrl_mn_acc@donkelly.biz</u>
- More information is available by <u>clicking here</u>. For FAQ <u>click here</u>
 - W1AW/Ø operators must upload their ADIF files (after each day or end of week) to the ARRL log pre-review site and make the necessary corrections.
 - The state coordinators will review your pre-reviewed logs and submit them to LoTW.
- All W1AW/0 operators are expected to observe all FCC regulations, including only operating on frequencies allocated to their license class and at permitted power levels. Violators, may The Old Man be merciful, will be Wouff Honged!

An interactive map, created by Bill Mitchell AEOEE, of all portable W1AW registrations in this system, is available at this link.

Select Your Band/Day/Mode

To select a day/mode/band slot starting time, make your selections from the dropdown boxes and click the submit button.

UTC Date:

Mode:

Band:

Submit

Display Slots Selected By Callsign

Select Callsign:

<u>S</u>ubmit

Display Slots Selected By Day

Portable W1AW Operation

As a part of the <u>ARRL Year of the Volunteer celebration</u>, the mystical callsign W1AW will be operating from the corners of ARRL-land. ARRL members in each state/territory may operate their stations during two different weeks using the callsign W1AW/x where x is one of the local regions: 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, KL, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH7, KH8, KP2, KP3, or KP4. For example, Minnesota's second week starts 2023-08-02, at 0000z and will run through 2023-08-09, at 2359z, using the callsign W1AW/0.

Each state coordinator will approve start time, band, and mode slots throughout the week and hams will be able to operate their stations using W1AW/0.

Portable W1AW Rules

- Each operator must follow the rules for their own license class. Stay in the sub-bands that you are legally allowed to operate.
- Operators can operate anywhere in the state/territory.
- ARRL members that contact the Portable W1AW stations will receive 5 points in the VOTA event.
- Each band/mode combination can be activated simultaneously. For example, N5OP could be working on 20 M SSB, N5OK could be working on 20 M CW, N5AZQ could be working on 20 M FT8, and N5HZR could be on 40 M SSB, all at the same time.
- State operations start at 0000z each Wednesday and stop at 2359z the following Tuesday.
- Operations are not allowed on the 12 M, 17 M, 30 M, 60 M, 630 M, or 2190 M bands.
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When you sign up for a two-hour time slot, you must also select a band and a mode. Signing up for 20m CW is one time slot. Phone and digital modes would be two additional slots.

Taking a slot on 40m CW does not mean you may use any mode on 40m. You may only use the band and mode you signed up for during the time slot you requested. You may request multiple slots throughout the day and week.

Do you want to run another two-hour slot? Request that slot here before you start operating. You are ready to go.

We only allow one operator per band and mode at a time. Two operators can not share a slot. ie. W1AW/0 running CW on 7.022 and another station running W1AW/0 CW on 7.042 would be a violation of our agreement.

If you have any questions, please contact Minnesota State Coordinator Don Kelly WA6ZMT or Jim Froemke K0MHC at <u>arrl_mn_acc@donkelly.biz</u>.