## Field Day's Over... Now What?

## **Tips for Submitting Your Field Day Entry**

The last QSO has been logged. The antennas and tents have come down. The site and generator and other equipment have been cleaned, and stored until needed again. So, now what do you do with all of the paper forms, logs and files created during your Field Day exercise?

Here is a guide to making sure your Field Day entry is correct and included in the results. Remember that all Field Day entries must be submitted or postmarked by July 28, 2020.



## To submit online or by mail – which is best for me?

The preferred way to send your information to the ARRL is to use the web application found at <a href="http://field-day.arrl.org/fdentry.php">http://field-day.arrl.org/fdentry.php</a> This excellent web tool allows you to electronically submit your Summary Sheet and all bonus documents and other required information to the ARRL, getting your information directly and immediately into a database for inclusion.

And, you earn a 50 point bonus for submitting everything via the <a href="http://field-day.arrl.org/fdentry.php">http://field-day.arrl.org/fdentry.php</a> web app.

The web app form follows the information on the official ARRL Field Day Summary Sheet. Just fill in all the blanks and attach your supporting files. The web app will prompt you if there is invalid or incomplete information. Once that is done, just click <SUBMIT ENTRY> at the bottom of the form and your Field Day summary information will be on its way to the ARRL, with confirmation emailed back to you for your records. Again, if you use the web app, you can attach everything there (dupe sheets, bonus documents, photos, etc). If you do not receive a confirmation number or confirmation email, your entry was not submitted. If you require assistance with submitting an entry, email fieldday@arrl.org, or call 860-594-0232 and we will be happy to assist you.

## If you decide to send the entry via the regular mail, there are a few items that you should pay special attention to:

- A) You MUST include the required Field Day Summary Sheet. And please be sure that it is legible. One of the greatest challenges of paper entries is that ARRL HQ staff is not able to read all information on the form.
- B) Make sure you **complete ALL information on the form**. Leaving certain information blank results in delaying the processing of your submission.
- C) Verify ALL of the information submitted before you mail the entry. For example, the <u>ARRL Section</u> should be the Section you transmitted as your exchange during Field Day (eg, W1AW 3F **CONNECTICUT**). Review of the information on your summary sheet helps to eliminate inputting bad data into the ARRL Field Day database.
- D) Don't forget to include a printed copy of your **REQUIRED** dupe sheets (we also will accept the Cabrillo file printed out from a computer logging program, in lieu of the dupe sheet).
- E) Make sure you **enclose verification of your claimed bonus points (Eg,** Safety Officer certification, W1AW message copied over the air, visitor sign-in sheet, copy of the NTS message to the section manager or messages originated/relayed/delivered, youth bonus, educational bonus detail, social media evidence {including copy of the press release or newspaper article}, etc.)

Once your paper Field Day packet is assembled, mail it to: **Field Day Submission, ARRL, 225 Main St, Newington CT 06111 (consider using a method of mailing that gives you a tracking number to verify your documents were delivered to ARRL).** 

To confirm your web app log submission (or paper log submission – after a few giving us a few days to enter your paper summary) has been received, see the logs received page at <a href="http://field-day.arrl.org/fdentriesrcvd.php">http://field-day.arrl.org/fdentriesrcvd.php</a>

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