



Award WBA

1. Objective of the Award

The WBA (World Beauties Award) aims to promote radio activity in the 11-meter band through the activation of sites of historical, naturalistic, and tourist importance, defined as "World Beauties" (WB). These sites include lighthouses, castles, archaeological sites, places of worship, towers, parks, beaches, and minor islands.

2. Participation and Activation

The activity is open to all current and future DA-RC members, of any global division.

- Activators who wish to participate must be DA-RC members.
- It is recommended to signal the activation of a site, possibly with at least 24 hours' notice.
- Each WB site is identified by a specific alphanumeric reference and is part of an updated list in the WBA Map and Site Activations section.
- For a valid activation, the maximum distance between the portable radio station and the chosen site must not exceed 500 meters.
- For sites on cliffs or islands, the activation must physically take place from that location.



3. Points Allocation

A score from 1 to 5 is assigned to each activation, based on the following guidelines:

- 5 points: Minor islands.
- 4 points: Sites with field activation.
- 3 points: Archaeological sites.
- 2 points: Ports, castles, coastal towers, lighthouses.
- 1 point: Places of worship and various other sites.

4. Activators' Activity

Activators are encouraged to use high-efficiency portable antennas (e.g., 3-element SKYPPER, DELTA LOOP, BAMBY).

- In case of adverse weather conditions or restrictions that prevent the use of such antennas, mobile antennas can be used (e.g., SIRIO's TWIN LOG 5).
- If a mobile antenna is used for justified reasons, the activation will receive 1 bonus point due to the increased difficulty in performing the QSOs.

5. QSO (Radio Contact) Rules

- **ONLY** two-way SSB VOICE mode QSOs are accepted.
- The use of SDR for listening, calls with the assistance of other operators, or prerecorded or live calls via phone is strictly forbidden. Violation of this rule results in the cancellation of the QSO.
- The use of **Remote Stations** is permitted only to the operator who owns the station itself.
- The "In The Log" principle will be applied. The activator is responsible for the correct logging of the QSOs, noting QRA, RS, date, and UTC time. The use of the WBA LIVE LOG is highly recommended to facilitate the activity.

6. Management of Activations

- Sites can be activated and proposed again a maximum of **3 times** per year.
- Activations can be suspended and proposed again on another day (keeping the same log) only if a minimum of 30 QSOs is not reached during the first session.
- WBA activity is not permitted during the World Wide Contest (CQ11WW).
- Activations are published in chronological order. Logs will be published at the end of the activity or in REAL TIME if Activator are using LIVE LOG System. In case a QSO is not logged, the hunter can report it to the WBA TEAM via email within a reasonable timeframe.

7. Communication and Rankings

- Groups have been created on Messenger and WhatsApp where **hunters** can receive **real-time** information on activations, including **GPS location** and **photos** of the portable station, to ensure the **veracity** of the activation in **Real Time**.
- An official Hunter ranking is available and updated in real-time at <http://www.sbota.org/Hunters> Scores.
- An Activator ranking is available on the page <https://sbota.org/activators/>

- The WBA Award is managed by the WBA TEAM. For any communication, contact the address is0jhn.165@gmail.com.

8. Recognitions

Hunters who contact the largest number of WBs each year may obtain **electronic confirmation certificates and electronic diplomas**. The goal is to collect hundreds of exclusive activated sites over time!

In summary, the WBA Award combines the passion for radio with cultural and geographical knowledge.
