

D. L. I . (Italian Lakes Diploma)

Presentation

The diploma was created with the intention of promoting portable amateur transmission activities and spread the word about the beauty of our lakes.

It can be applied for free by all OM and SWL that have connected a minimum of 10 lakes. It is managed exclusively on-line.

General rules for participants.

The diploma is awarded in two categories: HF, VHF.

The application must be complete with the list of the connected lakes and Qso data.

It is delivered free with no commitment, via mail as a personalised file (approx. 500kb).

For the purposes of the diploma, if a lake has various references, only one of them may be counted, and to obtain the basic diploma it is necessary to have connected 10 different lakes.

The score calculated for advancement is one point each processed reference (or locators that touch the lake in VHF) and, if communicated to the diploma manager, this will appear in the relative classification.

In the HF bands large lakes have various references according to the descriptions present in the site and are all countable, in advancement, for score purposes.

In the VHF bands each locator that touches the lake is valid for advancement points.

Requests for diplomas or information should be sent by mail to bgiacometti@aliceposta.it or via packet to I1ABT@IR1BC-8

The complete regulations can be found at www.ari-ivrea.it which also offers all the activations with related photographs, lake references and updates.

General rules for lake activation

The date for beginning of activation is 01/07/03 and there are no limits to duration.

The terms of the diploma or changes to the rules may be defined, if considered necessary, at the discretion of the organisers.

1 - Within 30 days of the activation, the activator must send the log of the QSO via e-mail with date, time, frequency, call, emission mode and the required information on the lake.

It is obligatory to specify the apparatus, type of power supply and the antenna used.

The log of the QSO must be in a readable format such as TXT, DBF, XLS. DOC, RTF etc.

Photographs of the activation would be appreciated, even by post to PO box 70- 10015 Ivrea.

2 - The station must operate at a maximum of 200 metres from the lake, with full respect for the environment.

3 - In connections, the name and reference of the activated lake must be given.

4 - The lake must be indicated on scale 1:50000 maps and the name must be the one given on the map itself.

Any groups of smaller lakes will be part of the main lake if no other name is given on the map for them.

Artificial expanses of water are also considered as lakes.

5- It is not possible to activate several lakes at the same time with the same name, if not with a time interval between one activation and the other of 60 minutes.

The same lake may instead be activated simultaneously over different bands or in different ways.

All bands are valid except for warc and the use of bridges, but the QSO is valid from the same reference only once in HF and once in VHF or higher, independent of the emission mode and band.

6 - If one wishes to appear in the activators classification, at the end of the year send the updated score to the manager.

7 - In the VHF and higher bands each lake may have several valid references where, at the reference defined at the site, locators touching the lake must be added at that reference.

Example: i1-005/wl and i1-005/wm are two countable references.

The locator must be plotted precisely by the activator by GPS, detailed maps or PC programs (e.g. italoc).

8 - If one wishes to activate a lake that does not as yet have a reference, the following procedure must be followed:

Request assignment of the reference via e-mail, providing all the necessary details.

In the event that for various reasons the reference cannot be obtained in time, if the lake has all the necessary requisites for the diploma, the reference I + the postcode of the zone in which the lake is found should be used, followed by 000 (e.g 16-000), while providing the name of the lake so that the correspondents can locate it. At a later date however it is absolutely necessary to request assignment of the reference by the diploma manager.

9 - Activity in QRP, VHF and HF is strongly recommended in order to stimulate portable traffic from the alpine lakes.

10- Activator classification will be separate for HF and VHF

11- Only portable activation is accepted.

QSO from stations resident on the lake are not valid.

Activation that causes grm to a contest is not recommended.

12- Activators who have achieved 10 valid activations have the right to a the diploma and further annual advancement.

Score calculation for activators

The cumulative score of all activations made with the same call is one point per activation if the quorum is reached, two points if it is doubled, three points if it is tripled and so on, although obtained exclusively in a single activation.

The call can also be referred to a team (or section call).

In this case the names of all team members must be specified.

Traffic in QRP HF will have a separate classification.

The same OM can reactivate the same reference only after thirty days in order for the activation to be once again valid and to be attributed a new score.

HF Quorum

a) To be valid, the activation of a reference in QRO traffic requires a minimum of 60 QSO obtained during the same day or of 80 obtained in three activations of the same reference.

b) Activation in QRP (less than 5 watts) instead requires a minimum quorum of 10 QSO up to 1500 metres, 5 QSO from 1500 to 2500 metres and no quorum above that level.

VHF and higher quorum

a) The quorum to reach for the QRO activation to be valid is of 30 QSO.

b) Activation in QRP (less than 5 watts) instead requires a minimum quorum of 10 QSO up to 1500 metres, 5 QSO from 1500 to 2500 metres and no quorum above that level.

QSO made on different VHF and higher bands may be summed.

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