Working County Line Stations in NYQP

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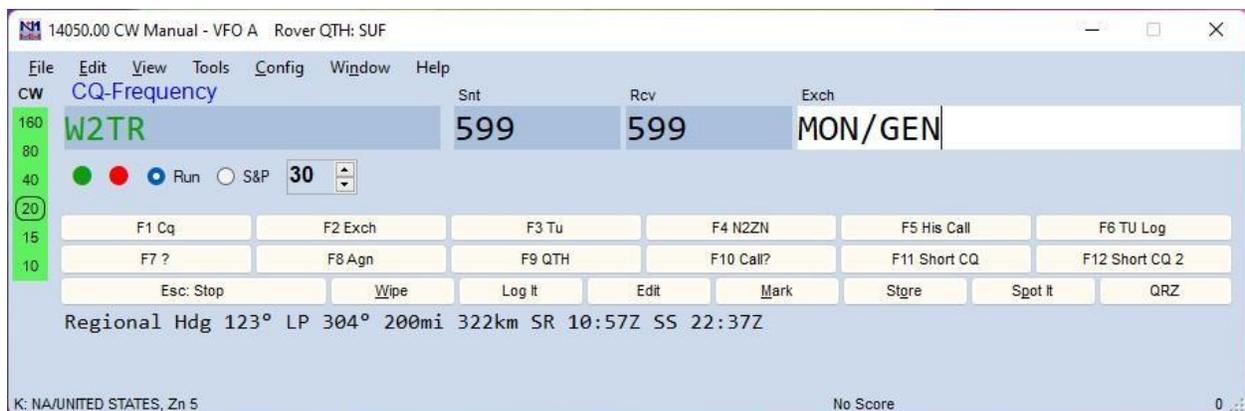
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For the 2022 NYQP, county line operations are allowed for Mobile and Portable operations. (Please see our other tutorial, "Mobile and Portable Operations in NYQP" if you intend to operate from county lines, or just want some more reading material on this topic.)

Since there will be stations sending their exchange with multiple counties, you, as the receiving station, will need to log them correctly. Fortunately, N1MM Logger makes this easy.

Each county line QSO counts as *two separate QSOs* being made at once. It is the same as if a station operated solely from within one county, then moved quickly to the next and worked you again on the same band and mode. This helps speed things up (hopefully) for all stations, while allowing more counties to be put on the air during the contest period.

If you work a station operating from a county line, they will send you both counties in the exchange. N1MM Logger will accept two counties in the "Exch" box using a slash "/" between the two abbreviations. This is consistent for all modes. Example:

When you log a county line station in N1MM, it will automatically place two QSOs in the log—one in each county. Here's an example of how this is logged, if W2TR were operating at the MON/GEN line:

MM-DD HH:MM	▲ Call	Freq	RoverQth	Snt	Rcv	E...	Sect	M1	M2	Pts
10-03 02:46	KX2NY	14050.00	SUF	599	599	CGO	NY	✔	✔	2
10-03 02:46	KR2N	14050.00	SUF	599	599	SUF	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:46	K2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	ALB	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:46	N6AA	14050.00	SUF	599	599	CA	CA	✔		2
10-03 02:46	N7ZZ	14050.00	SUF	599	599	WI	WI	✔		2
10-03 02:47	OH8OS	14050.00	SUF	599	599	DX	DX			2
10-03 02:47	KQ2H	14050.00	SUF	599	599	NJ	NJ	✔		2
10-03 02:47	W2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	MON	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:47	W2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	GEN	NY	✔		2

Now, let's say W2TR moves from that county line, and ends up in a new county a few minutes later, but not on a county line. He could be worked again from the new county (ORL):

MM-DD HH:MM	▲ Call	Freq	RoverQth	Snt	Rcv	E...	Sect	M1	M2	Pts
10-03 02:46	N7ZZ	14050.00	SUF	599	599	WI	WI	✔		2
10-03 02:47	OH8OS	14050.00	SUF	599	599	DX	DX			2
10-03 02:47	KQ2H	14050.00	SUF	599	599	NJ	NJ	✔		2
10-03 02:47	W2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	MON	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:47	W2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	GEN	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:51	WB2PWV	7030.00	SUF	599	599	PUT	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:51	KH6BZF	7030.00	SUF	599	599	HI	HI	✔		2
10-03 02:52	N5AU	7030.00	SUF	599	599	TX	TX	✔		2
10-03 02:52	KR6X	7030.00	SUF	599	599	CA	CA			2
10-03 02:53	W2TR	7030.00	SUF	599	599	ORL	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:53	W2TR	7030.00	SUF	599	599	ORL	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:47	W2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	GEN	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:47	W2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	MON	NY	✔		2

Now, finally, if W2TR goes to a county line that contains one county you have already worked, one QSO will be a dupe, and the other won't, but that is okay. Log it anyway (the second ORL contact is a dupe, but Niagara County is a new one).

Note: Do not remove duplicate contacts from your log!

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10-03 02:47	KQ2H	14050.00	SUF	599	599	NJ	NJ	✔		2
10-03 02:47	W2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	MON	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:47	W2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	GEN	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:51	WB2PWV	7030.00	SUF	599	599	PUT	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:51	KH6BZF	7030.00	SUF	599	599	HI	HI	✔		2
10-03 02:52	N5AU	7030.00	SUF	599	599	TX	TX	✔		2
10-03 02:52	KR6X	7030.00	SUF	599	599	CA	CA			2
10-03 02:53	W2TR	7030.00	SUF	599	599	ORL	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:55	W2TR	7050.00	SUF	599	599	NIA	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:55	W2TR	7050.00	SUF	599	599	ORL	NY			0
10-03 02:55	W2TR	7050.00	SUF	599	599	ORL	NY			0
10-03 02:55	W2TR	7050.00	SUF	599	599	NIA	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:53	W2TR	7030.00	SUF	599	599	ORL	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:47	W2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	GEN	NY	✔		2
10-03 02:47	W2TR	14050.00	SUF	599	599	MON	NY	✔		2