

SKCC K3Y Straight Key Month - 2026

Non-US Station Operator's Guide

INTRODUCTION

Only SKCC members in the US are permitted to operate with the K3Y call sign. However, members in other countries can participate as official event stations. This document provides information specifically for SKCC members outside of the US who would like to operate as official *Straight Key Month* event stations. Please also refer to the *US Station Operator's Guide* for additional information regarding operating procedures, logs and QSL cards.

PROCEDURES

1) Contact the Coordinator for your WAC continental region:

AF = Africa	K3YAF@skccgroup.com
AS = Asia	K3YAS@skccgroup.com
EU = Europe	K3YEU@skccgroup.com
NA = N.America	K3YNA@skccgroup.com
OC = Oceania	K3YOC@skccgroup.com
SA = S.America	K3YSA@skccgroup.com

Regional Coordinators are also listed on the K3Y webpage at

www.skccgroup.com/k3y/

2) If you know in advance when you'll be on the air your Regional Coordinator can post your intended operating times on the SKCC Event Calendar here:

www.skccgroup.com/cgi-bin/calendar.pl?year=2026&month=1

3) While operating in the event send "CQ SKM..." along with your own callsign.

For example: "CQ SKM DE F6HKA K"

DO NOT add the suffix "/K3Y" or "/K3Y/EU", "K3Y/NA", etc. to your callsign. These are not valid callsign combinations.

4) Include the following information during the exchange: RST, QTH, Name, SKCC#

5) You can refer callers to "SKCCGROUP DOT COM" for more information.

6) Include in your log every contact you make on or after January 2nd while using non-electronic key types (straight key, bug, and cootie/sideswiper), even if you don't "sign up" as an operator until later in the month.

7) Contacts with non-SKCC members are valid and should also be logged.

8) Email your log file in ADIF format to your Regional Coordinator (EU, NA, etc.) as soon as possible for each day you operate.

LOG FILES

Log files should be named in the following example format:

K3YEU-F6HKA-FRA-01 adi

“K3YEU” is your K3Y continental region (K3YAF, K3YAS, K3YEU, K3YNA, K3YOC, K3YSA);

“F6HKA” is your callsign;

“FRA” is your Country code (See the SKCC Country Codes below);

“01” a sequential two-digit number; use a new number (01, 02, etc), for each new log file.

CANADIAN STATIONS ONLY: use your prov/terr abbreviaton, *not country code*. Example:

K3YNA-VA3RSA-ON-01 adi

MISCELANEOUS

If you are able to provide a schedule of your intended operating times to your Coordinator they will be listed on the K3Y Schedule page at <http://www.skccgroup.com/cgi-bin/calendar.pl?year=2026&month=1> in the following format:

0:00 - 3:00 : EU-FRA
0:00 - 2:00 : AS-JPN
0:00 - 4:00 : NA-MEX
2:00 - 3:00 : NA-QC
etc.

The WAC continent abbreviation (AF, AS, EU, NA, OC, SA) precedes the three letter country code (FRA, ENG, etc). A list of three-letter SKCC Country Codes is shown on page 3 below.

The exception is Canada where the province or territory should be listed instead of country. Canadian operators will appear on the K3Y Schedule page as: *NA-AB, NA-BC, NA-MB*, etc. (representing each of the province/territory regions: AB, BC, MB, NB, NL, NT, NS, NU, ON, PE, QC, SK, YT).

Non-US operators can call "CQ SKM". This will alert SKCC members that you are operating in the K3Y Straight Key Month event as a special "DX" station.

If possible, please log in to the Sked Page while operating:

<https://sked.skccgroup.com/>

Do not post references to "K3Y/EU" "K3Y/NA", etc on the SkedPage. Instead, type "SKM-EU", "SKM-NA", etc. (use - instead of /). This will help discourage callers from wrongly sending "K3Y/EU", etc on the air.

SKCC Country Codes (*refer to next page*)

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SKCC COUNTRY CODES (alphabetical by country)

AFG	Afghanistan	COM	Comoros	IND	India	MGL	Mongolia	SOI	Solomon Is.
AGA	Agalega & St. Brandon	CG1	Congo (Rep)	INA	Indonesia	MNE	Montenegro	SOM	Somalia
OAL	Aland	DGO	Congo, Dem Rep	IRI	Iran	VPM	Montserrat	RSA	South Africa
ALB	Albania	CNR	Conway Reef	IRQ	Iraq	MAR	Morocco	VPG	South Georgia
ALG	Algeria	NCK	Cook Is, North	IRL	Ireland	SVK	Mount Athos	VPO	South Orkney Is.
FTZ	Amsterdam & St Paul	SCK	Cook Is, South	IOM	Isle Of Man	MOZ	Mozambique	VPS	South Sandwich Is.
ANN	Andaman & Nicobar	CSA	Corsica	ISR	Israel	MYA	Myanmar	SSI	South Shetland Is.
AND	Andorra	CRC	Costa Rica	ITA	Italy	NAM	Namibia	SSD	South Sudan, Rep
ANG	Angola	CTD	Cote D'Ivoire	ITU	Itu Hq	NRU	Nauru	ESP	Spain
AGL	Anguilla	CRT	Crete	JAM	Jamaica	KP1	Navassa Is.	SRI	Sri Lanka
ANI	Annobon	CRO	Croatia	JNM	Jan Mayen	NEP	Nepal	MAA	St Maarten
AAR	Antarctica	FTW	Crozet	JPN	Japan	NED	Netherlands	STH	St. Helena
ATB	Antigua & Barbuda	CUB	Cuba	JER	Jersey	NCL	New Caledonia	SKN	St. Kitts & Nevis
ARG	Argentina	PJC	Curacao	U67	Johnston Is.	NZL	New Zealand	SLU	St. Lucia
ARM	Armenia	CYP	Cyprus	JOR	Jordan	NCA	Nicaragua	SPI	St. Paul Is.
ARU	Aruba	CZE	Czech Republic	FTE	Juan De Nova	NIG	Niger	SPP	St. Peter & St. Paul
ASC	Ascension	DEN	Denmark	JUA	Juan Fernandez	NGR	Nigeria	SPM	St. Pierre & Miquelon
ACI	Auckland & Campbell	KP5	Desecheo Is.	KAL	Kaliningrad	NIU	Niue	STV	St. Vincent
AUI	Austral Is.	DJI	Djibouti	KAZ	Kazakhstan	VKN	Norfolk Is.	SUD	Sudan
AUS	Australia	DOD	Dodecanese	KEN	Kenya	NIR	Northern Ireland	SUR	Suriname
AUT	Austria	DMA	Dominica	FTX	Kerguelen Is.	NOR	Norway	SVB	Svalbard
AVI	Aves Is.	DOM	Dominican Republic	ZL8	Kermadec Is.	OGA	Ogasawara	MES	Swains Is.
AZE	Azerbaijan	VPD	Ducie Is.	U89	Kingman Reef	OMN	Oman	SWZ	Swaziland
AZO	Azores	EMA	East Malaysia	T31	Kiribati, C.	PAK	Pakistan	SWE	Sweden
BAH	Bahamas	TIM	East Timor	T32	Kiribati, E.	PAL	Palau	SUI	Switzerland
BRN	Bahrain	ESI	Easter Is.	T30	Kiribati, W (Gilbert)	PLE	Palestine	SYR	Syria
U81	Baker & Howland	ECU	Ecuador	PRK	Korea, DPR	U95	Palmyra & Jarvis Is.	TPE	Taiwan
BLI	Balearic	EGY	Egypt	KOR	Korea, Rep	PAN	Panama	TJK	Tajikistan
BNI	Banaba	ESA	El Salvador	H17	Kure Is.	PNG	Papua New Guinea	TAN	Tanzania
BGH	Bangladesh	ENG	England	KUW	Kuwait	PAR	Paraguay	TEM	Temotu Province
BAR	Barbados	GBE	Equatorial Guinea	KGZ	Kyrgyzstan	PER	Peru	THA	Thailand
BLR	Belarus	ERI	Eritrea	VU7	Lakshadweep	PTR	Peter I Is.	TOG	Togo
BEL	Belgium	EST	Estonia	LAO	Laos	PHI	Philippines	TOK	Tokelau Is.
BIZ	Belize	ETH	Ethiopia	LAT	Latvia	VPP	Pitcairn Is.	TGA	Tonga
BEN	Benin	FLK	Falkland	LIB	Lebanon	POL	Poland	TRM	Trindade & Martim Vaz
BER	Bermuda	FAR	Faroe Is.	LES	Lesotho	POR	Portugal	TRI	Trinidad & Tobago
BHU	Bhutan	FNN	Fernando De Noronha	LBR	Liberia	CHP	Pratas Is.	TCG	Tristan Da Cunha
BOL	Bolivia	FJ	Fiji	LBA	Libya	ZS8	Prince Edw & Marion	TRO	Tromelin Is.
PJB	Bonaire	FIN	Finland	LIE	Liechtenstein	QAT	Qatar	TUN	Tunisia
BIH	Bosnia-Herzegovina	FRA	France	LTU	Lithuania	RNI	Reunion Is.	TUR	Turkey (Asiatic)
BOT	Botswana	FJL	Franz Josef Land	LHI	Lord Howe Is.	MXR	Revillagigedo	TUR	Turkey (European)
BOU	Bouvet	FGU	French Guiana	LUX	Luxembourg	ROD	Rodriguez Is.	TKM	Turkmenistan
BRA	Brazil	FPY	French Polynesia	MAC	Macao	ROM	Romania	TKS	Turks & Caicos
IVB	British Virgin	GAB	Gabon	MKD	Macedonia	ROT	Rotuma	TUV	Tuvalu
BRU	Brunei Darussalam	GAL	Galapagos Is.	VK0	Macquarie	ARS	Russia (Asiatic)	UGA	Uganda
BUL	Bulgaria	GAM	Gambia	MAD	Madagascar	ERS	Russia (European)	ZC4	Ukr Sov. Base Areas
BUR	Burkina Faso	GEO	Georgia	MDI	Madeira	RWA	Rwanda	UKR	Ukraine
BDI	Burundi	GER	Germany, Fed Rep	MAW	Malawi	PJ5	Saba & St. Eustatius	UAE	United Arab Emirates
CAM	Cambodia	GHA	Ghana	MDV	Maldives	SBI	Sable Is.	UNH	United Nations HQ
CMR	Cameroon	GIB	Gibraltar	MLI	Mali	SBT	Saint Barthelemy	URU	Uruguay
CAN	Canada	GLI	Glorioso Is.	HK0	Malpelo	SMN	Saint Martin	USA	USA
ECI	Canary Is.	GRE	Greece	MLT	Malta	SAM	Samoa	UZB	Uzbekistan
CPV	Cape Verde	GRL	Greenland	MLS	Malta (SMOM)	ADP	San Andres & Provid	VAN	Vanuatu
CAY	Cayman Is.	GRN	Grenada	OJ0	Market Reef	SFI	San Felix & San Ambr	VAT	Vatican
CAF	Central Africa	GUD	Guadeloupe	MQI	Marquesas Is.	SMR	San Marino	VEN	Venezuela
ECM	Ceuta & Melilla	KG4	Guantanamo Bay	MSH	Marshall Is.	STP	Sao Tome & Principe	VIE	Viet Nam
CHA	Chad	GUA	Guatemala	MRQ	Martinique	SAR	Sardinia	U79	Wake Is.
CGI	Chagos Is.	GUE	Guernsey	MTN	Mauritania	SAU	Saudi Arabia	WAL	Wales
CTI	Chatham	GUS	Guinea	MRI	Mauritius	SBR	Scarborough Reef	WAF	Wallis & Futuna Is.
CFI	Chesterfield Is.	GBS	Guinea-Bissau	MAY	Mayotte	SCO	Scotland	WMA	West Malaysia
CHI	Chile	GUY	Guyana	MEL	Mellish Reef	SEN	Senegal	WSH	Western Sahara
CHN	China	HAI	Haiti	MEX	Mexico	SER	Serbia	WLI	Willis Is.
CRI	Christmas Is.	HRI	Heard Is.	FSM	Micronesia	SEY	Seychelles	YEM	Yemen
CPI	Clipperton Is.	HON	Honduras	U71	Midway Is.	SLE	Sierra Leone	ZAM	Zambia
COI	Cocos Is.	HKG	Hong Kong	MIN	Minami Torishima	SIN	Singapore	ZIM	Zimbabwe
COC	Cocos (Keeling)	HUN	Hungary	MDA	Moldova	SVK	Slovak Republic		
COL	Colombia	ISL	Iceland	MON	Monaco	SLO	Slovenia		