



Press Release
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UPCOMING: YOTA Contest – 22nd May 2021

The first YOTA Contest is coming closer and closer already. Only a few days left until **Saturday, 22nd May!** Is your station ready and tested? Did you install the latest contest loggers to be prepared for the fun on the bands?

Team YOTA has been working hard over the last few months to establish one whole new project for the ham radio community. Everyone can take part, it takes place three times per year and only lasts 12 hours. Its aim is to increase the youngsters activity on the air, strengthening the reputation of the YOTA program and demonstrate the support for youngsters across the world.

The first event will be held on upcoming Saturday, 22nd May 2021 from 0800 to 1959 UTC. We have implemented 8 different categories which also include special ones for youngsters (≤ 25 years old) only. Covering the 80m, 40m, 20m, 15m and 10m bands the competition will take place in CW and SSB modes.

The contest exchange used will be the age of the participating operators. Different ages also serve as multipliers during the contest.

Contacts between the own continent are worth 1 point, working DX is worth 3 points but the most points will be achieved by working youngsters. The younger the operator the more points one will get for the QSO.

During the past month we have received several rule translations into various languages. A big thank you to the contributors! So, if you are not that fluent in english, check them out [here](#).

If you have any further questions after reading through the [rules](#) please go to our [FAQ page](#) to see if your question has been answered already. If you still have a question, feel free to drop the YOTA Contest Committee an email at contest@ham-yota.com and we are happy to reply.

The log deadline is set to 7 days after the event. Once the evaluation of received logs has been completed the various category winners will be awarded with a YOTA Contest plaque.

We hope to see you all on air next Saturday – supporting the worldwide YOTA movement!

On behalf of the YOTA Contest Committee,

73 Philipp, DK6SP

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