



FIRST CLASS CW OPERATORS' CLUB



THE 2026 FOC MARATHON

- The full rules are published in the FOC Yearbook, and: <https://g4foc.org/marathon/>
- **When:** 2100z Friday 6 February 2026 --- 2100z Sunday 8 February 2026
- **Bands:** 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10m. Only one transmitted signal allowed at one time.
- **Sections:**
 - QRO Open: Maximum legal limit on all bands with no antenna restrictions.
 - QRO Restricted: Maximum legal limit, simple wire and vertical antennas only (no beams).
 - Low Open: Output power limited to 100 watts, no antenna restrictions.
 - Low Restricted: Output power limited to 100 watts, simple wire and vertical antennas only (no beams).
 - QRP Open: Output power limited to 5 watts, with no antenna restrictions.
 - QRP Restricted: Output power limited to 5 watts, simple wire and vertical antennas only (no beams).
- **Remote Operation:** Members operating remote stations must indicate in their submission.
- **Awards:**
 - The Ron Perks – G4CP Memorial Trophy to the overall winner.
 - Plaques to continental winners in the QRO Open and QRO Restricted sections.
 - Plaques to continental winners in the in the Low Open and Low Restricted sections.
 - Plaques to winners of the QRP Open and Restricted sections.
 - Plaques to North American West Coast winners in the Open and Restricted sections.
- **Entries:**
 - Log submissions must be uploaded to <https://marathon.g4foc.org>
 - The submission must be done no later than **2 March 2026 at 2359Z**.

Section:

QRO OPEN

QRO Restricted

Low OPEN

Low Restricted

QRP OPEN

QRP Restricted

4X	5B	5R	5Z	6Y	9J	9N	CE
CT	DL	EA	EA6	EI	EW	EX	F
G	GD	GI	GM	GU	GW	HA	HB9
I	IS	JA	K	KH6	KL7	KP4	LA
LU	LY	LZ	OE	OH	OK	OM	ON
OX	OY	OZ	PA	PR7	S5	SM	SP
SV	TF	TI	UA	UR	V3	VE	VK
VU	YO	ZB2	ZD7	ZL	ZS		

1.8	3.5	7	14	21	28	TOTAL
AF	AS	5 banders		X10		
EU	OC	6 banders		X5		
NA	SA	Continents		X5		
AN		Countries		X2		
		FINAL SCORE				
CALL				FOC #		

- Note that SIX-banders are converted FIVE-banders and count in BOTH categories.
- Check the FOC website Tick Sheets for members using different callsigns, and use the Logger helper files.