Making contacts and Control Operator

A laminated card will be provided at each station that contains the following information to assist operators (new and seasoned) with making contacts:

A Reminder: T1E01-2018: When is an amateur station permitted to transmit without a control operator? NEVER

“A control operator must ensure the immediate proper operation of the station.” (97.105(a))

Any licensed HAM is considered a Control Operator. You operate within your assigned frequency privileges; however, if you hold a technician license and a HAM sitting with you holds a General license, you may operate on frequencies using General class privileges. The General licensed HAM becomes the Control Operator for that station. If the Control Operator is an amateur Extra then Extra Class frequency privileges apply. In any case, you may only operate within the frequencies assigned to the highest level Control Operator physically located at your station. If a higher level Control Operator is no longer present at your station and you wish to continue transmitting, you must revert back to the frequency privileges allowed by your FCC issued license.

Calling CQ

Recommended CQ Script:

“CQ CQ Field Day, Calling CQ Field Day. This is W4CAR, Whiskey 4 Charlie Alpha Romeo, calling CQ Field Day.”

Capture and log contacted stations call sign and entry category classification and other pertinent info using the clubs provided logging software. Our category classification is: 5A Virginia abbreviated or 5A VA for digital and CW

5 = Total number of stations we are operating for Field Day
A = Operating class of stations we are operating
Virginia = Our operational location