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a. Introduction:

This paper proposes the Electronic Contest Log file format (EDI) as the only acceptable contest log format for VHF&up contests.

b. Background:

At its meeting in Vienna 1998 the VHF/UHF/Microwaves Committee has recommended the use of the Electronic Contest Log distribution format for the exchange of log information concerning IARU Region 1 contests. This recommendation has been endorsed by the IARU R1 EC at its 1998 meeting.

With the widespread use of computers in everyday and amateur life, and taking into account that electronic logging of the contest contacts is a common practice, the possibility to send contest log data in paper format is obsolete. Also the automatic electronic log checking is not possible when the logs are submitted in paper format.

c. Key points and proposal:

This paper proposes to replace the first sentence of item 9. of the current rules for the (VHF Managers Handbook):
- IARU R1 145MHz September Contest (section IIIb)
- IARU R1 UHF/Microwave October Contest (section IIIc)
- IARU R1 September ATV Contest (section IIIe)
- IARU R1 50MHz June Contest (section IIIf)

with the following sentence,

“The entries must be set out in digital/electronic form fulfilling the requirements under rule 12.”,

and to rename and rewrite the item 12. to,

“<u>12. Logs</u>:
The logs shall be sent in the digital format only as defined in Section IIIh.”

d. Recommendation:

Only electronic contest log data entries should be accepted for the IARU R1 VHF&up contests.