

# Hamilton Amateur Radio Club

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## Kordia National System Award 2014

### Maidenhead Locator Squares

### Award Rules

**Kordia National System Award 2014 – Maidenhead Locator Squares**, is presented by The Hamilton Amateur Radio Club, Branch 12, NZART, based upon the original idea by Wellington VHF Group. This is a FUN award available to all amateurs to demonstrate the coverage and use of the National System. Documentation is available from:- ([www.zl1ux.org.nz/nsaward.html](http://www.zl1ux.org.nz/nsaward.html)).

The award will run from 1 January 2014 to 6 February 2014.

#### Points will be allocated for:

1. Contact any Amateur in each NZART Branch area, via the National System. Only Branches on the provided list are valid. **Note that the station must be within the Branch area to qualify.** List available from:- ([www.zl1ux.org.nz/nsaward.html](http://www.zl1ux.org.nz/nsaward.html)) - **1 point**
2. Contact ZL1UX, official station of Branch 12 via the National System - **3 bonus points**
3. Contact any Amateur, via the National System – **1 point**. For this award that can be one of the following ways:-
  - a. home station to home station
  - b. field station to field station
  - c. home station to field station
  - d. field station to home station

Points are cumulative and each Maidenhead Locator Square may only be listed once. Only one Branch or Maidenhead Locator Square may be logged per contact. As evidence of contact the log must record the 6 character Maidenhead Locator Square, which can be obtained from this [website](#) - see accompanying document 'NS2014 Award Notes' for notes on using this webpage.

The Branch List being used for the Award is available [here](#).

Participants are requested to note the following key points:

- Safety is paramount, please be considerate of the safety of the field operator when making contact.

- ***It will not be necessary to enter any private property to log the contact, as it is anticipated that all Maidenhead Locator squares will be accessible from public property.***
- All Maidenhead Locator Squares will start with RE or RF, followed by 2 numbers plus 2 letters e.g RE78JQ or RF72PE. It will be possible to access approximately 18,000 land based grid squares, although from some it will be extremely difficult, if not impossible, to access the National System.
- All contacts must be from the New Zealand mainland or surrounding islands.
- There are no definitive boundaries between branches, so participants need to determine which branch they are in, to log the point. This distance will vary for different parts of the country. Only one branch can be logged per contact. Only Branches on the provided list are valid.
- Have FUN, a safe and enjoyable holiday period.
- The award is available in electronic format or hard copy. Please indicate which when sending in your log sheet.
- We would appreciate receiving photos of any extreme ways that were used to access the National System for display on our website. Email to address below. *This should not include the use of cross-band equipment as that is specifically banned by the Trustees of the National System.*

Send a log of contacts, with all details as per the [standard log sheets](#) provided, including a preferred award certificate format (electronic or hard copy) to;

The Award Custodian  
 Hamilton Amateur Radio Club  
 PO Box 606  
 HAMILTON 3240

or E-mail <[branch.12@nzart.org.nz](mailto:branch.12@nzart.org.nz)> with KNS2014 in the subject. Applications close 6 March 2014.

