

UK MICROWAVE GROUP



MICROWAVE SQUARES AWARDS

Until recently the RSGB has administered a range of Squares Awards on the bands above 30MHz. In 2010 the UK Microwave Group agreed to take over the running of the Microwave Squares Awards, and we are now re-launching them with a new certificate design.

The rules have not changed significantly, and existing RSGB records have been transferred so that claims for extra stickers to add to existing RSGB awards can be accepted. The existing sticker design has been retained.

Awards are available in 5 square increments on the following bands:

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| 1.3GHz | 5 squares to 150 squares |
| 2.3GHz | 5 squares to 75 squares |
| 3.4GHz | 5 squares to 75 squares |
| 5.7GHz | 5 squares to 75 squares |
| 10GHz | 5 squares to 75 squares |
| 24GHz | 5 squares to 25 squares |

- Initial claims will require submission of QSL cards for all contacts claimed.
- Subsequent increments will need the additional cards and the countersigned checklist from the previous claim.
- QSL cards must include the IARU QTH locator of the station worked.
- Contacts must have been made after 31 December 1978.
- All contacts must be two-way on the band in question, cross band contacts are not eligible.
- Awards are available for fixed or portable/mobile stations but these categories cannot be mixed.
- Claims for portable operation must be for contacts made from one site, defined as anywhere within a 5km radius of the point operated from.
- Cards should be listed and sorted in IARU QTH Locator alphanumeric order.
- A self-addressed envelope must be included for return of the QSL cards, with sufficient postage value in UK stamps or IRCs.
- Certificates are free for members of the UK Microwave Group.
- Claims from non-members must include payment of £3, €5 or \$5 when an initial certificate is requested.
- Subsequent stickers will be enclosed with returned QSL cards and checklists.

Claims should be made using the application form and squares checklist available on the UK Microwave Group web site.

All claims should be sent to:

John Quarmby G3XDY, UKUG Awards Manager,
12 Chestnut Close, Rushmere St Andrew, Ipswich, IP5 1ED, UK

Please note that data provided for the above awards will be held by the UK Microwave Group for the purposes of providing a published list on the UKuG Web Site and in the group's newsletter Scatterpoint, of achievements by award holders. Data will not be used for any other purposes.

You do not have to be a member of the UK Microwave Group to lodge a claim.

The decision of the UK Microwave Group committee on the validity of claims is final.