

ZIMBABWE DX-PEDITION

1. Z2 Operation:

Roger Krautkremer K0YY, Licensed as-- Z2/K0YY, Location— Harare, Capital City of Zimbabwe, Station Equipment— provided by Fernando Z21BB, Bands— 40 through 6 meters, Modes- CW & SSB, mostly CW, QSOs—4003

2. DXing Tips

- Listen, listen, listen
- Figure out DX operators calling rhythm— CQ, QRZ, TKS, or K every over?
- Figure out DX operators listening pattern—listen on DX QSX frequency to see who/where he is answering
- Have a clean signal—Don't over process your SSB signal or have too much transmit audio for digital operations

3. The DXers Code

- I will listen, and listen, and then listen again before calling.
- I will only call if I can copy the DX station properly.
- I will not trust the DX cluster and will be sure of the DX station's call sign before calling.
- I will not interfere with the DX station nor anyone calling and will never tune up on the DX frequency or in the QSX slot.
- I will wait for the DX station to end a contact before I call.
- I will always send my full call sign.
- I will call and then listen for a reasonable interval. I will not call continuously.
- I will not transmit when the DX operator calls another call sign, not mine.
- I will not transmit when the DX operator queries a call sign not like mine.
- I will not transmit when the DX station requests geographic areas other than mine.
- When the DX operator calls me, I will not repeat my call sign unless I think he has copied it incorrectly.
- I will be thankful if and when I do make a contact.
- I will respect my fellow hams and conduct myself so as to earn their respect.

4. DX QSLING TIPS

- Use right sized envelope for return QSLs, place fold down
- Provide clear delivery & return address information
- Send proper return postage/current IRC
- Provide a little help with DXpedition expenses if possible-- one/two dollars
- Use DX operators name if possible on your QSL
- Thank DX operator(s) for a good operation
- Thank DX for a new country, band, or mode
- Double check latest address and QSL manager on QRZ & other QSLing sites

5. DXing Aids (sample web sites & software)

Up coming DXpedition announcements—www.ng3k.com ARRL DX Bulletin

DX Spotting Clusters— www.dx-central.com www.dxsummit.fi/dxspots.aspx

www.eham.net/dx/

QSL Information sites— www.qrz.com www.dxlabsuite.com/pathfinder/webclient/

ARRL DX Bulletin

Propagation Prediction software— prop.hfradio.org www.dxatlas.com www.dxzone.com

Local DX Club— Mile High DX Association— www.MHDXA.org