Major VHF/UHF Contests

- Mid January, Full Weekend
  - ARRL VHF Sweepstakes

- Early March, Full Weekend
  - ARRL International DX Contest Phone

- Early April, Spring Sprint–144 MHz
  - ARRL VHF Sweepstakes

- Early April, Spring Sprint–222 MHz

- Early April, Spring Sprint–432 MHz

- Early May, Spring Sprint–50 MHz

- Mid May, Full Weekend
  - CQ National Fox Hunting Weekend

- Early June, Full Weekend
  - ARRL VHF QSO Party

- Mid June, Full Weekend
  - SMIRK 6 meter QSO Party

- Mid/Late June, Full Weekend
  - ARRL Field Day

- Mid July, CQ World Wide VHF Contest

- Mid July, Full Weekend
  - ARU HF World Championships

- Early August, Full Weekend
  - ARRL UHF Contest

- Mid September, Full Weekend
  - ARRL September VHF QSO Party

- Early October, Full Weekend

- Mid October, Full Weekend

- Mid November, Full Weekend

- Early December, Full Weekend

- Mid December, Full Weekend

Icom Grid Square Tips:

1. Say your grid square location when operating on VHF & UHF bands.

2. Many portable GPS receivers can read out Maidenhead* grid squares automatically.

3. Say your grid square letters phonetically. Example: for grid 13 in region DM say “delta, mike, one, three” on air.

4. Give your general location along with your grid square.

5. Have fun on VHF & UHF!

*An instrument of the Maidenhead Locator System (named after the town outside London where it was first conceived by a meeting of European VHF managers in 1980), a grid square measures 1° latitude by 2° longitude and measures approximately 70 x 100 miles in the continental US. A grid square is indicated by two letters (the field) and two numbers (the square). ©2016-2020 Icom America Inc. The Icom logo is a registered trademark of Icom Inc.