



"ITALIAN NAVY CONTEST"

The Diploma called "ITALIAN NAVY CONTEST" is a competition open to all OM, Italian and foreign, divided into three distinct and separate steps (first step):

FT8

PERIOD It will start on **26 October 2024** and will end on **27 October 2024**

TIME: start Saturday at 14:00 (Italian time) – end Sunday at 14:00 (Italian time)

Band: 7 MHz (40m)

Work frequency: *7,076 MHz

Mode: FT8

* Note for FT8: The frequency has been increased by 2 KHz;

Any station can contact any other station but only contacts with Italian callsigns are valid. Stations can be worked once during the contest, in case of duplicates the last QSO in the log is considered.

Category: SOP - Standard single operator (power at will in compliance with the legal power in force)

Exchange: The NA VHF mode will be used by setting it in the special section of the software.

The guide to configuring the program for the contest will follow.

Score:

- QSO Points (Italian stations): one point for each completed QSO.
- Multipliers: each new 4-digit locator (Italian) counts as a multiplier

Log:

You will need to send the Cabrillo export with the software, including the header and the complete QSO list. All logs must be sent by email by November 15, 2024 at 23:59 UTC in Cabrillo format to the Contest Manager Alberto, IT9MRM's email address: contest@assoradiomarinai.it

Miscellaneous:

Participants must use the latest version of WSJT-X or WSJT-Z or MSHV software available.

A guide to configuring the WSJT-X software will be available below

Self spotting is not allowed;

Log QSOs with non-Italian stations may occur but will be eliminated from the final tally.

Awards

All stations that certify, via log, the connections made, will receive a free diploma in jpg format

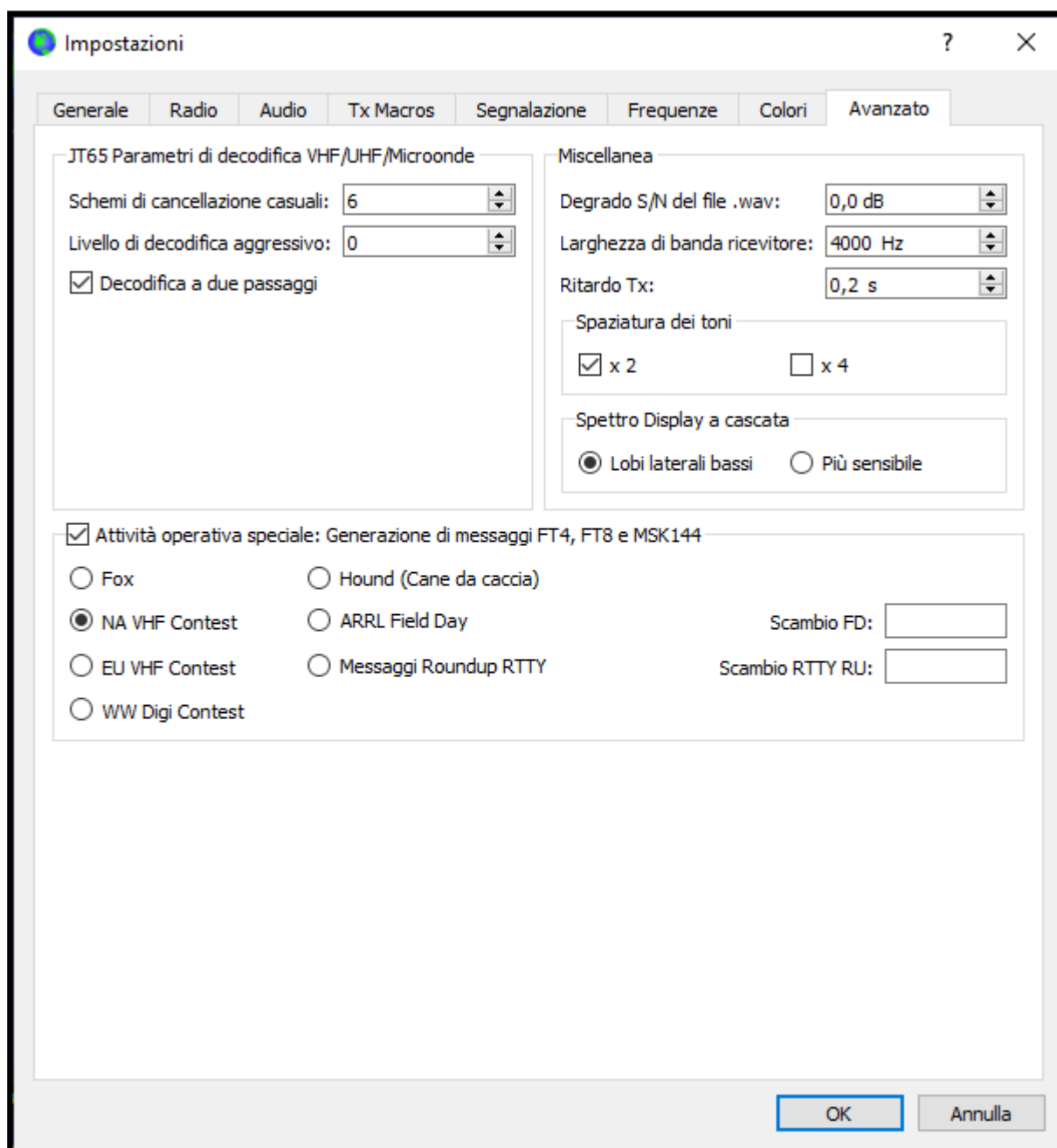
The first classified will receive a plaque;

For those who want the plaque relative to the participation category with a plate and name, just send the sum of € 40.00 via paypal (it9mrm@gmail.com)

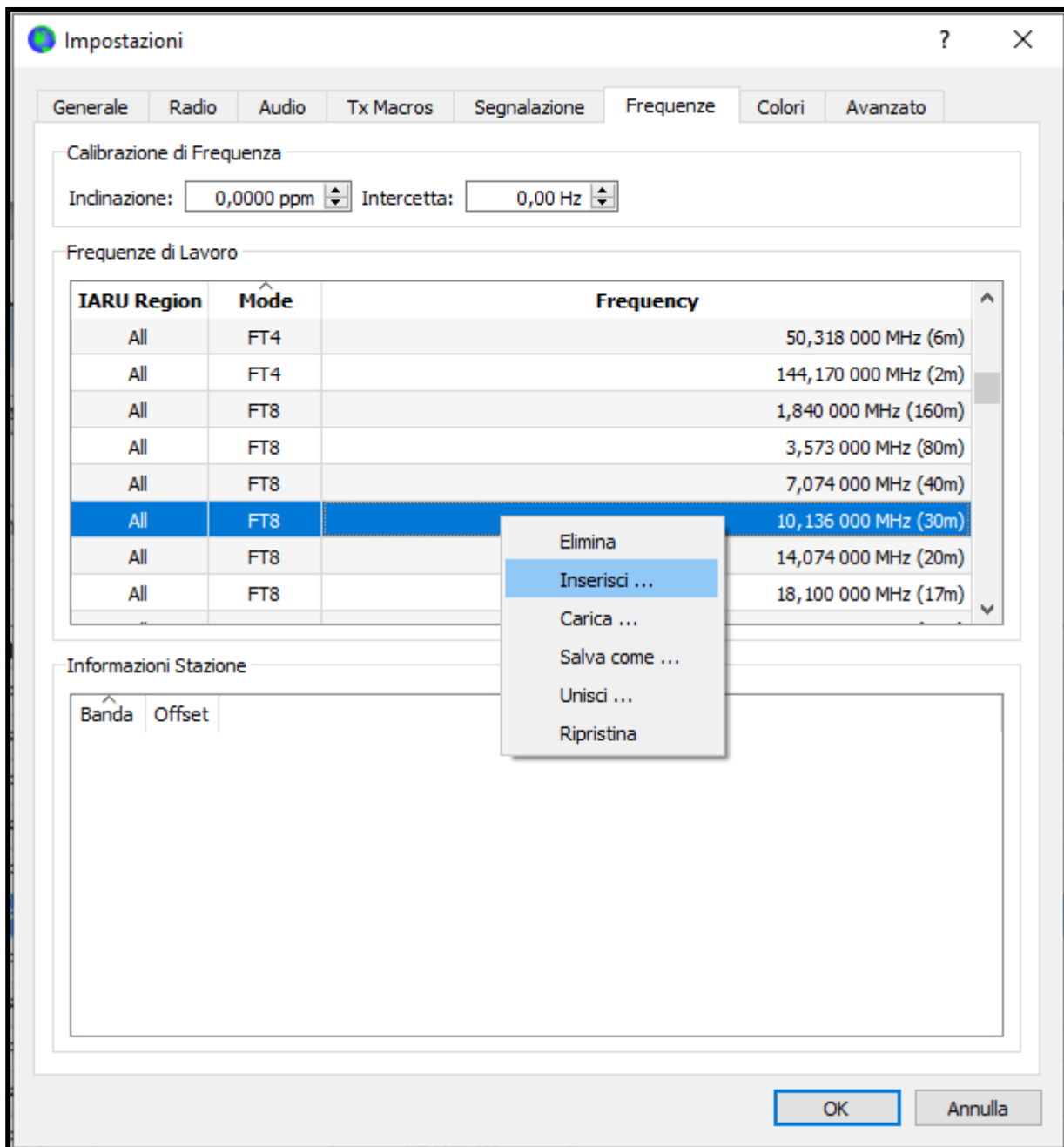
Software configuration

The 24-hour event will take place on Saturday 29 October 2022 starting at 14:00 and will end on Sunday 30 October 2022 at 14:00 Italian time. Only the 40-meter band can be used in FT8 mode. Stations can be worked once and must only be Italian callsigns.

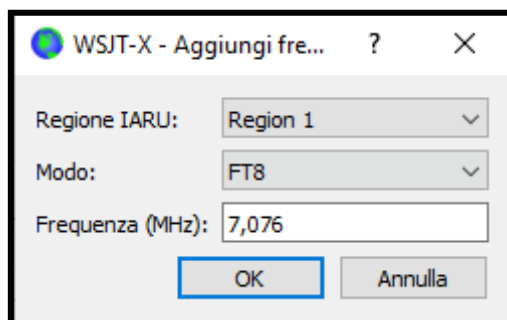
- Download of the updated software: <https://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/K1JT/wsjsx.html>
- Classic installation and configuration of callsign/locator/radio and sound card as per normal FT8/FT4 activity
- The race settings are as follows:



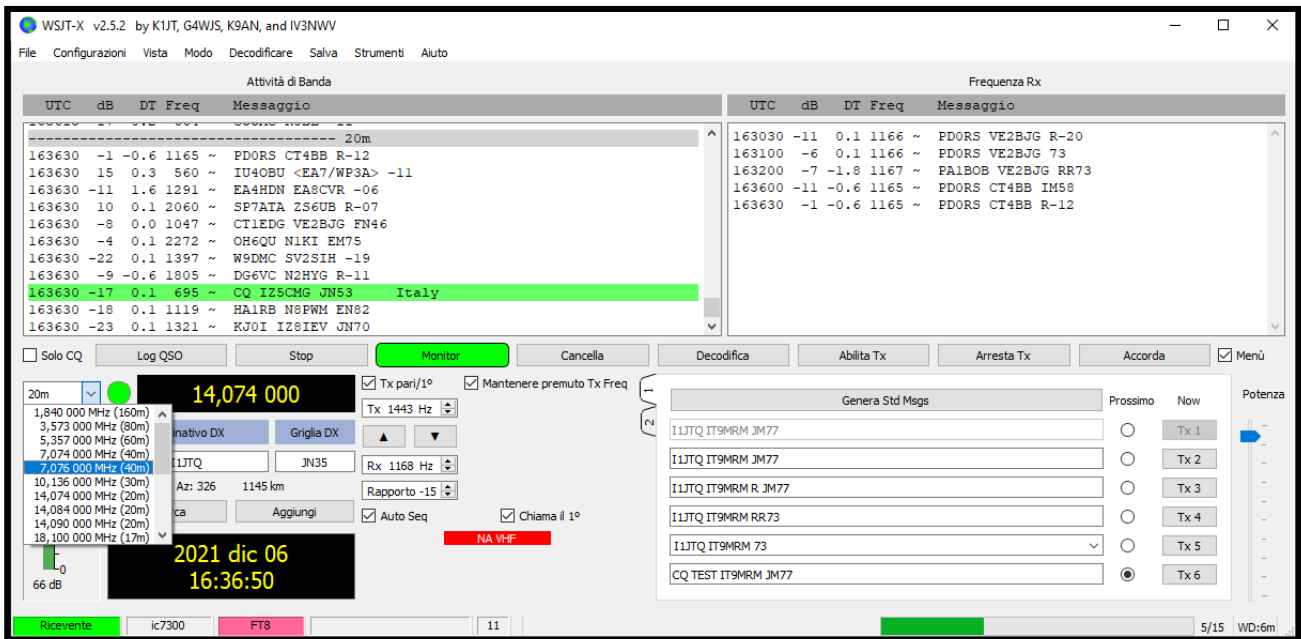
Enable the checkbox in the “Special Operations Activity” section and select NA VHF Contest



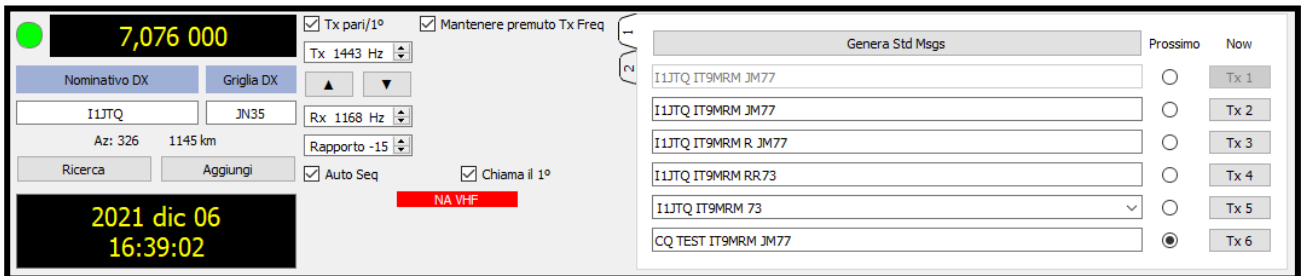
In the frequency tables, right-click and go to the INSERT item



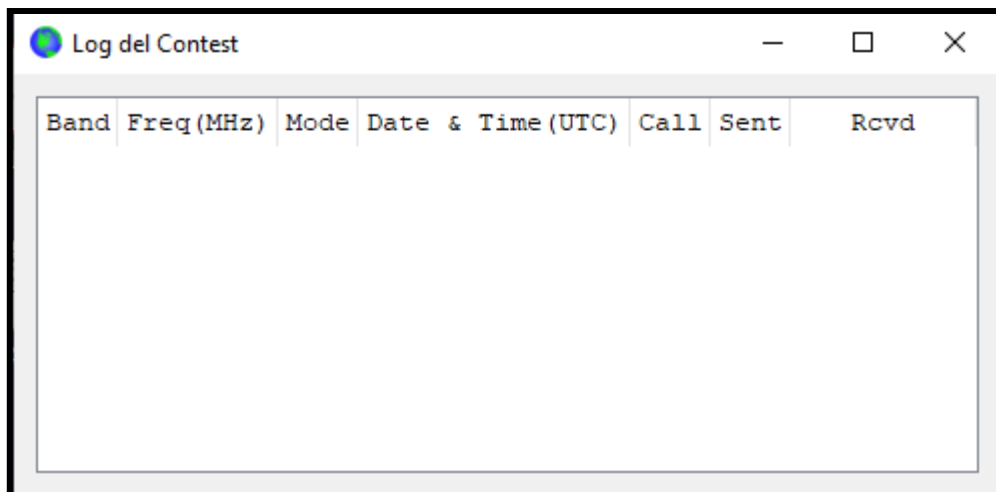
Enter the contest frequency as shown



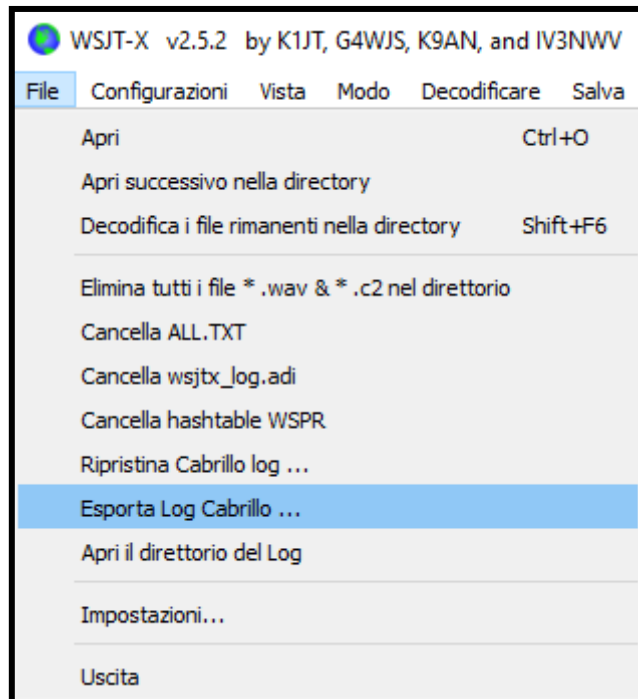
Close the Setup menu and from the frequency drop-down menu, select it



At this point everything is operational to participate and make QSOs



In contest mode, the program will open an optional window where you can see the QSOs made



At the end of the contest, just click on the menu as shown in the figure

A screenshot of the "WSJT-X - Export Cabrillo" dialog box. It contains several input fields for contest data: "Posizione:" (JM77), "Contest:" (IT NAVY FT8), "Nominativo:" (IT9MRM), "Categoria Operatore:" (Single Op), "Categoria Trasmittitore:" (Single TX), "Categoria Potenza:" (Low), "Categoria Assistita:" (Yes), "Categoria di Banda:" (40m), "Punteggio Dichiarato:" (empty), "Operatori:" (empty), "Club:" (A.R.M.I.), "Nome:" (Alberto Mattei), and two "Indirizzo:" fields (both empty). At the bottom, there are "Salva" and "Annulla" buttons.

And fill in the data. At this point you can save the file that will be sent by email by November 15, 2024 at 23:59 UTC in Cabrillo format to the email address of the Contest Manager Alberto, IT9MRM:

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