

**UK DX RTTY CONTEST
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ENGLAND

England does not have its own devolved parliament and is thus entirely subject to the administration of the UK Government in Westminster. In 1974 a two-tier administrative structure of shire counties and non-metropolitan districts was set up across the whole of England, except for the Isles of Scilly, Greater London and the six metropolitan counties. Following the Local Government Reorganisation in the 1990s major changes were implemented to create administrations most appropriate to the needs of the area concerned. The key feature of this change was the introduction of unitary authorities, single-tier administrations with responsibility for all areas of local government. Between 1995 and 1998 these were established in a number of areas across the country, especially in medium-sized urban areas, whilst other areas retained a two-tier structure. There are currently 46 unitary authorities and 34 shire counties in England. The Isles of Scilly has a unitary council but is considered as a district of the County of Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly for coding purposes. London and the metropolitan counties retain their own structure. Greater London was established in 1965 as an administrative unit covering the London metropolis. Six of the upper-tier units, all in England and representing heavily built-up areas (other than Greater London), were designated «metropolitan counties». Ordinary amateur prefixes in England are 2E, G, GX, M and MX.

ENGLAND - GREATER LONDON AND THE METROPOLITAN COUNTIES

001	Greater London	LO
002	Greater Manchester	GM
003	Merseyside	MS
004	South Yorkshire	SY
005	Tyne and Wear	TY
006	West Midlands	WM
007	West Yorkshire	WY

ENGLAND - NON-METROPOLITAN COUNTIES

008	Bedfordshire	BE
009	Buckinghamshire	BU
010	Cambridgeshire	CB
011	Cheshire	CH
012	Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	CS
013	Cumbria	CU
014	Derbyshire	DS
015	Devon	DV
016	Dorset	DR
017	Durham	DH
018	East Sussex	SU
019	Essex	EX
020	Gloucestershire	GC
021	Hampshire	HM
022	Hertfordshire	HF
023	Kent	KT
024	Lancashire	LA
025	Leicestershire	LS
026	Lincolnshire	LL
027	Norfolk	NF
028	North Yorkshire	NY
029	Northamptonshire	NM
030	Northumberland	NU
031	Nottinghamshire	NH
032	Oxfordshire	OX
033	Shropshire	SI
034	Somerset	SM
035	Staffordshire	SD
036	Suffolk	SF
037	Surrey	SE
038	Warwickshire	WW
039	West Sussex	WS
040	Wiltshire	WT
041	Worcestershire	WO

ENGLAND - UNITARY AUTHORITIES

042	Bath and North East Somerset	BS
043	Blackburn with Darwen	BD
044	Blackpool	BP
045	Bournemouth	BM
046	Bracknell Forest	BF
047	Brighton and Hove	BH
048	Bristol	BT
049	Darlington	DT
050	Derby	DB
051	East Riding of Yorkshire	RY
052	Halton	HT
053	Hartlepool	HP
054	Herefordshire	HE
055	Kingston upon Hull	KH
056	Leicester	LC
057	Luton	LT

ENGLAND - UNITARY AUTHORITIES

058	Medway	MW
059	Middlesbrough	MB
060	Milton Keynes	MK
061	North East Lincolnshire	NE
062	North Lincolnshire	NO
063	North Somerset	NS
064	Nottingham	NT
065	Peterborough	PB
066	Plymouth	PL
067	Poole	PO
068	Portsmouth	PM
069	Reading	RD
070	Redcar and Cleveland	RC
071	Rutland	RU
072	Slough	SO
073	South Gloucestershire	SG
074	Southampton	SP
075	Southend-on-Sea	SS
076	Stockton-on-Tees	SC
077	Stoke-on-Trent	SK
078	Swindon	SN
079	Telford and Wrekin	TW
080	Thurrock	TH
081	Torbay	TB
082	Warrington	WR
083	West Berkshire	WB
084	Isle of Wight	WI
085	Windsor and Maidenhead	WN
086	Wokingham	WK
087	York	YK

NORTHERN IRELAND - DISTRICT COUNCIL AREAS

Northern Ireland is subject to the administration of both the UK Government in Westminster and also the Northern Ireland Executive in Belfast. Northern Ireland is subdivided into 26 district council areas, which in turn are divided into electoral wards. Ordinary amateur prefixes in Northern Ireland are 2I, GI, GN, MI and MN.

088	Antrim	AN
089	Ards	AR
090	Armagh	AM
091	Ballymena	BL
092	Ballymoney	BY
093	Banbridge	BB
094	Belfast	BA
095	Carrickfergus	CR
096	Castlereagh	CT
097	Coleraine	CE
098	Cookstown	CO
099	Craigavon	CV
100	Derry	DE
101	Down	DW
102	Dungannon	DN
103	Fermanagh	FM
104	Larne	LR
105	Limavady	LV
106	Lisburn	LB
107	Magherafelt	MF
108	Moyle	MY
109	Newry and Mourne	NR
110	Newtownabbey	NW
111	North Down	ND
112	Omagh	OM
113	Strabane	ST

SCOTLAND - COUNCIL AREAS

Scotland is subject to the administration of both the UK Government in Westminster and also the Scottish Executive in Edinburgh. Scotland is subdivided into 32 council areas, which in turn are divided into electoral wards and communities. Ordinary amateur prefixes in Scotland are 2M, GM, GS, MM and MS.

114	Aberdeen City	AD
115	Aberdeenshire	AS
116	Angus	AG
117	Argyll and Bute	AB
118	City of Edinburgh	EB
119	Clackmannanshire	CM
120	Comhairle nan Eilean Siar	ES
121	Dumfries and Galloway	DG
122	Dundee City	DN
123	East Ayrshire	EA
124	East Dunbartonshire	ED
125	East Lothian	EL
126	East Renfrewshire	ER
127	Falkirk	FK
128	Fife	FF
129	Glasgow City	GL

SCOTLAND - COUNCIL AREAS

130	Highland	HL
131	Inverclyde	IC
132	Midlothian	ML
133	Moray	MR
134	North Ayrshire	NA
135	North Lanarkshire	NL
136	Orkney Islands	OR
137	Perth and Kinross	PK
138	Renfrewshire	RF
139	Scottish Borders	SB
140	Shetland Islands	SH
141	South Ayrshire	SA
142	South Lanarkshire	SL
143	Stirling	SR
144	West Dunbartonshire	WD
145	West Lothian	WL

WALES - UNITARY AUTHORITIES

Wales is subject to the administration of both the UK Government in Westminster and also the National Assembly for Wales in Cardiff. Wales is subdivided into 22 unitary authorities, which in turn are divided into electoral divisions and communities. Ordinary amateur prefixes in Wales are 2W, GC, GW, MC and MW.

146	Isle of Anglesey	AY
147	Blaenau Gwent	BG
148	Bridgend	BR
149	Caerphilly	CA
150	Cardiff	CF
151	Carmarthenshire	CN
152	Ceredigion	CD
153	Conwy	CW
154	Denbighshire	DI
155	Flintshire	FL
156	Gwynedd	GW
157	Merthyr Tydfil	MT
158	Monmouthshire	MM
159	Neath Port Talbot	TT
160	Newport	NP
161	Pembrokeshire	PS
162	Powys	PW
163	Rhondda, Cynon, Taff	RH
164	Swansea	SW
165	Torfaen	TR
166	Vale of Glamorgan	VG
167	Wrexham	WX

CROWN DEPENDENCIES

The Channel Islands and the Isle of Man do not form part of the United Kingdom, but are Crown Dependencies. The Queen is represented as head of state in each of the Crown Dependencies by a Lieutenant Governor, whose position is largely ceremonial. Ordinary amateur prefixes in Guernsey are 2U, GP, GU, MP and MU; in Jersey - 2J, GH, GJ, MH and MJ; in Isle of Man - 2D, GD, GT, MD and MT.

168	Bailiwick of Guernsey	GN
169	Bailiwick of Jersey	JR
170	Isle of Man	MA

CONTEST COMMITTEE NOTES:

- Care must be taken in the interpretation of UK Areas from small-scale maps.
- The addresses of British Stations given in RSGB and International Callbooks can be misleading.
- The postal address system tends to use old county names that no longer exist, and old boundaries of existing counties from before all, or some, of the reorganizations of the administrative systems.
- The UK Postal Codes are not acceptable for the UK DX RTTY Contest.
- Administrative geography concerns itself with the hierarchy of areas relating to national and local government in the UK. This hierarchy is complicated for not only are there several layers but the structure is different in each constituent Country of the UK. In addition the boundaries of many of the layers in the hierarchy are subject to periodic or occasional change.
- Use this link <http://www.statistics.gov.uk> to find out more about the Administrative Geography of the UK in general, or a specific UK Country of your choice.
- Use this PDF file <http://www.ukdx.srars.org/ukdxmap.pdf> to view a map of all UK local authorities.
- The two letter abbreviations are given to UK Areas by the UK DX RTTY Contest Committee. These are used along with the full name in this list. Use this PDF file as a standard UK Areas List for the UK DX RTTY Contest. There are 170 current entities in the list.

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