



## RULES OF M.I.A. (Mar. 2007)

The Mediterranean Islands Award (MIA) is available to either licensed amateur radio operators or SWLs. It is issued on presentation of evidence of contact with (or, for SWLs, reception of) the minimum number of stations operating from islands located

in the Mediterranean Sea, according to the following rules.

### VALID QSOs

All contacts must have taken place since 1 January 1997 (date of foundation of the Mediterraneo DX Club) on any amateur radio frequency band and on any mode of transmission.

### CATEGORIES

**Basic Award** - EU stations: to have done/listened to QSO with a minimum of **50 M.I.A. references**. NON EU: stations to have done/listened to QSO with a minimum of **30 M.I.A. references**. In both cases at least **one (1) QSO/HRD** will have to be made with mediterranean islands situated in Africa or Asia.

Requirements: Between 50 and 199 references presented for the Basic Award request. It is not necessary to submit the QSLs, it will be in enough to submit the application form, filling all the data and endorsed by two ham radio that certify it. This form will be sent to M.I.A. Award Manager (IT9DAA).

**Honor Roll (3<sup>rd</sup> Class)**.- **200 M.I.A. References** for all the stations. At least **five (5) QSO/HRD** will have to be made with mediterranean islands situated in Africa or Asia.

Requirements: The 200 or more QSLs (including the previously accredited in Basic Award) will have to be sent, together with the application so as to be checked by the M.I.A. Award Manager or the local Checkpoint. A CD with the scanning files will be accepted in replacement of the QSLs (not by e-mail).

**Honor Roll (2<sup>nd</sup> Class)**.- **400 M.I.A. References** for all the stations. At least **ten (10) QSO/HRD** will have to be made with mediterranean islands situated in Africa or Asia.

Requirements: All the QSLs (excluding the previously checked) will have to be sent, together with the application, to the M.I.A. Award Manager or the local Checkpoint. A CD with the scanning files will be accepted in replacement of the QSLs (not by e-mail).

**Honor Roll (1<sup>st</sup> Class)**.- **600 M.I.A. References** for all the stations. At least **fifteen (15) QSO/HRD** will have to be made with mediterranean islands situated in Africa or Asia.

Requirements: All the QSLs (excluding the previously checked) will have to be sent, together with the application, to the M.I.A. Award Manager or the local Checkpoint. A CD with the scanning files will be accepted in replacement of the QSLs (not by e-mail).

**ACTIVATORS:** the Award for the activator is free and will be applied for by sending a list with a minimum of **15** islands.

A special plaque will be given when having **30** activations. Likewise an activator's classification will be published.

M.I.A. Award Manager will assume the right to request the activator's proofs in case of any doubt about this activation.

**CHECKPOINTS:** Local Checkpoints will be designed. Before sending your application, check in MDXC web site if there is a local Checkpoint in your area. The CD with the scanned QSLs will be sent only to M.I.A. Award Manager.

**MDXC Membership:** Only members of MDXC will be able to photocopy (both sides) of the original QSLs, which must be kept by the applicator. The M.I.A. Award Manager reserves the right to request the original QSL for its control. In the yearly meetings of the MDXC, the members will be able of their own free will to hand in the QSLs to be checked.



## PAYMENT

Basic  
Award.....15,00 €  
(NEW)

Honor Roll ( Stick 3<sup>rd</sup> Class).....  
+5,00 €

Honor Roll ( Stick 2<sup>nd</sup> Class).....  
+5,00 €

Honor Roll ( Stick 1<sup>st</sup> Class).....  
+5,00 €

Special Plaque (optional, only 1<sup>st</sup> Class)  
30,00 €

**FORM and APPLICATIONS:** The form to apply the Award is available in the M.I.A. Web site where it can be downloaded. After filling send it, with the QSLs (not necessary in case of Basic Award) and payment to:

Pietro Fiorenza (IZ8FWN)  
P.o.box: 161  
88100 Catanzaro  
ITALY

Funds enough for the return of applicant's QSLs must be included on the payment. The Local Checkpoint, once checked the applications, will send them to the MIA Award Manager, who will expedite the Award and/or the Plaque.

For the first application (until 199 MIA references) is not necessary send QSLs, only application whit the certification from two local amateur stations, can apply directly to the Mia Award Manager. Looking for Honor Roll (3<sup>rd</sup> Class) whit 200 MIA reference and more, is compulsory present any QSL to the MIA Checkpoint or to the MIA Award Manager.

If you like present your QSLs, just starting, send the application and QSLs to your local Checkpoint. The application signed by Checkpoint, and payment, can be send, directly by checkpoint or by the applicant to the MIA Award Manager. Payment may be made by check (EU funds drawn on a EU bank), international money order or EU currency (at your own risk). For info about send money order via bank to the MDXC

count in Italy, contact the MIA Award Manager.

**MIA list and activations:** All the applications will be made according to the MIA oficial list available in the MDXC Website. All the proposals to add or to modify this list will be sent to M.I.A. Award Manager together with the necessary documents. The M.I.A. Award Manager will assume the right to make any change on the list, to correct possible errors, to add new accredited IOTA Program islands or to exclude those islands wich do not belong to IOTA. Any variation will be published in the MDXC Web site with another new list and comunicated by means of the MDXC distribution lists. Any cancelled or deleted island will automatically be taken away of any classification where it is shown. Any MIA divergence will be sent to the H.Q. MDXC whose decision will be the final.

**General information:** The classificaton will be updated in the MIA Website: [www.mdxc.org/mia](http://www.mdxc.org/mia) and will be sent to the ham radio magazines.

On the other hand the MIA activities will be published in the **MDXC-MIA Bulletin** and will be sent to MDXC distribution list.

Enjoy with the MIA

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MIA Award Manager

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