

# Air Force MARS 76 Years Special Event Amateur Operator Instructions

## General Instructions:

- Timeframe: 5 Nov 2024 0001 Zulu to 11 Nov 2024 at 2359 Zulu
- Frequencies: Only Amateur Radio frequencies in the General and Technician band privileges may be used in the 80 – 6 meters. Use of 60 meters is not authorized. Multiple Wings may operate in the same band up or down of event frequencies and bands.
- Modes: Voice, CW and Digital Modes (commonly used such as FT8) will be used. Make sure to listen for the special event call sign listed in the chart below.
- Spotting: Please spot your contact's and use available spotting software to see where operators are. Suggested Spotting site: [www.dxsummit.fi](http://www.dxsummit.fi) DX-Spot Notification app: [DX Alerts App](#)
- Certificate: After November 30th the Amateurs will need to request a certificate here: <http://cert.elemcoshopfloor.com>

## Example Voice Exchange:

- AFMARS Station: CQ CQ THIS IS W1B AIR FORCE MARS 76<sup>th</sup> SPECIAL EVENT SECOND WING CQ CQ
- Amateur Station: W1AW
- AFMARS Station: W1AW THIS IS W1B YOU ARE "5 by 9" OVER
- Amateur Station: THIS IS W1AW YOU ARE "5 by 9" OVER
- AFMARS Station: QSL INFO ON QRZ THANKS FOR THE CONTACT OUT

## Digital Exchange:

- CW and Digital mode exchange format will contain the pertinent information.

## Event Call Signs:

AFMARS Organization	FEMA Region	Call Sign
1 <sup>st</sup> AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 1 MA, NH, VT, CT, ME, RI	W1A
2 <sup>nd</sup> AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 2 NJ, NY	W1B
3 <sup>rd</sup> AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 3 DE, MD, DC, PA, VA, WV	W1C
4 <sup>th</sup> AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 4 AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, PR-VI	W1D
5 <sup>th</sup> AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 5 IL, IN, MI, MN, OH, WI	W1E
6 <sup>th</sup> AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 6 AR, LA, NM, OK, TX	W1F
7 <sup>th</sup> AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 7 IA, KS, MO, NE	W1G
8 <sup>th</sup> AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 8 CO, MT, ND, SD, WY, UT	W1H
9 <sup>th</sup> AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 9 AZ, CA, NV, HI	W1I
10 <sup>th</sup> AFMARS Communications Wing	Region 10 AK, OR, WA, ID	W1J
Hancock Field Air National Guard	Region 2 NY	W1L
Schriever Space Force Base	Region 8 CO	W1K
Pentagon MARS Station	Region 3 DC	K4AF
Travis AFB AFMARS Station	Region 9 CA	KE6UEU