



C.O.T.A.
Carabinieri On The Air

The Carabinieri Amateur Radio Association C.O.T.A. celebrating the 206th anniversary of the founding of the Carabinieri, with the sponsorship of the General Chief of the Arma dei Carabinieri, issues the

16th Diploma C.O.T.A. 2020

Participation: It is open to all Italian and foreign OM and SWL

Date: From 20 May 2020 - 00:01 UTC to 5 June 2020 - 24:00 UTC

Bands: 3.5 MHz (80 mt.), 7 MHz (40 mt.), 14 MHz (20 mt.), 21 MHz (15 mt.) according to the IARU Region 1 bandplan.

Modes: SSB, CW, Mixed

QSO:

Only 1(one) QSO per Day per band and mode is allowed.

Stations

Special Station: IQ6CC/ZONE, II2CC, II3CC (see list on the website)

Special "IQ" accredited Station: IQ stations (see list on the website)

A.R.C. Station: Members of the Associazione Radioamatori Carabinieri

Jolly Station: Declared on the CQ call

QSO Points:

1 point: Qso in SSB with all A.R.C. (Associazione Radioamatori Carabinieri) stations.

3 points: Qso in CW with all A.R.C. stations.

8 points: Qso with Special Stations

5 points: Qso with "IQ" accredited stations

3 Points: Qso with Jolly Station (declared on the call).

The complete list of stations accredited as "ACTIVATORS" to compete for the achievement of the 16th C.O.T.A. will be published on the website <http://www.cota.cc>

RST:

Special stations will give RS-T without progressive number
Accredited "IQ", Jolly and A.R.C. Stations will give RS-T + progressive number starting from 001
The operators must confirm the received number.

CQ Call: SSB: "CQ 16 ° Diploma C.O.T.A.", CW: "CQ COTA"

Award Points: All the stations can get the Award with a minimum score of:

STANDARD AWARD: Italian Stations: scores from **15 points to 49**

Europe and extra Europe Stations: **10 points to 49**

SILVER AWARD: scores from 50 to 100 points

GOLD AWARD: scores above 100 points

The award must be requested until July 31, 2020:

- online: see the link on the website www.cota.cc and upload your log in the accepted formats: * .doc, * .xls (x), * .txt, * .adi, * .cbr.
- e-mail: complete the "COTA Application Form Diploma" and send it to diploma@cota.cc

Any communication and / or log sent to an address other than diploma@cota.cc will not be considered.

Please specify:

- Callsign of the participating station
- Name, surname and exact postal address where to send the 16th COTA Award
- Your e-mail address
- the receipt of the payment of the requested sum

Please attach:

- the complete station log, signed and showing the QSO details, callsign, date, band or frequency, mode, progressive number obtained and report, detail and total score obtained.
- A personal QSL (if available)

Payment: to obtain the Award, payment is required as follows:

- 12.00 Euro (Italian and European stations)
- 18.00 Euro or 20.00 USD (non-European stations)

Payment mode:

- Payment on postal account number 000060567955 Headed to: Carabinieri Radio Amateur Association C.O.T.A., 60022 Castelfidardo (AN) Italy (Note: only for Italy)
- Bank transfer: IBAN: IT 04 L 07601 02600 000060567955; BIC: BPPIITRRXXX (Note: bank transfers from countries outside the European Union are not accepted)
- PayPal (form on the website www.cota.cc);

The proceeds of the award will be donated to the "ONAOMAC" (National Opera Assistance Orphans Military Arma Carabinieri <http://www.onaomac.it>) and to other charitable works.

Categories and prizes:

All those who request the 16th C.O.T.A. Award, will automatically enter the final rankings in the related category.

The first three winners of the following categories will be awarded:

Cat. HF MISTO	Cat. HF SSB	Cat. HF CW	Cat. YL mixed	Cat. SWL
Italiano	Italiano	Italiano	Italiano	SWL Italiano
Extra Italy	Extra Italy	Extra Italy	Extra Italy	Extra Italy

Note: to participate in the SWL category you must have a valid radio listening authorization and a regular SWL callsign.

Every decision of the Award Committee will be final and final.

Plaques and trophies will be awarded to the winner of each category. Each participant can only win One prize that will eventually have to choose. The award ceremony will take place in Castelfidardo (Ancona) - Italy at the 16th COTA Radio Meeting.

QSL: The valid C.O.T.A. stations they will be able to send their QSLs to the connected stations at their discretion.

Notes: Incomplete or unsuccessful documents will be excluded from the official rankings but will still be entitled to obtain the Award.

The Award will be printed in limited edition on parchment paper size 30x40 cm

The Award painting represents the "Carabiniere during Covid-19 Emergency"; the original pictorial oil on canvas was created by the artist Roberta CUOMO. For information: <http://www.cota.cc> or diploma@cota.cc

Diploma Manager: IZ2FOS Lorenzo MENDINI

Software

Download the apposite Log software on COTA website.

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