

Amateur Radio "Q" signals

Below a number of Q signals are listed whose meanings most often need to be expressed with brevity and clarity in amateur radio work. (Q signals take the form of a question only when each is sent followed by a question mark.)

Sign	Meaning
QRA	What is the name of your station? The name of my station is ____.
QRB	How far are you from my station? I am ____ km from you station
QRD	Where are you bound and where are you coming from? I am bound ____ from ____.
QRG	Will you tell me my exact frequency? Your exact frequency is ____ kHz.
QRH	Does my frequency vary? Your frequency varies.
QRI	How is the tone of my transmission? The tone of your transmission is ____ (1-Good, 2-Variable, 3-Bad.)
QRJ	Are you receiving me badly? I cannot receive you, your signal is too weak.
QRK	What is the intelligibility of my signals? The intelligibility of your signals is ____ (1-Bad, 2-Poor, 3-Fair, 4-Good, 5-Excellent.)
QRL	Are you busy? I am busy, please do not interfere
QRM	Is my transmission being interfered with? Your transmission is being interfered with ____ (1-Nil, 2-Slightly, 3-Moderately, 4-Severly, 5-Extremely.)
QRN	Are you troubled by static? I am troubled by static ____ (1-5 as under QRM.)
QRO	Shall I increase power? Increase power.
QRP	Shall I decrease power? Decrease power.
QRQ	Shall I send faster? Send faster (____ WPM.)
QRR	Are you ready for automatic operation? I am ready for automatic operation. Send at ____ WPM.
QRS	Shall I send more slowly? Send more slowly (____ WPM.)
QRT	Shall I stop sending? Stop sending.
QRU	Have you anything for me? I have nothing for you.
QRV	Are you ready? I am ready.
QRW	Shall I inform ____ that you are calling? Please inform ____ that I am calling.
QRX	When will you call me again? I will call you again at ____ hours.
QRY	What is my turn? Your turn is numbered ____.

QRZ	Who is calling me? You are being called by ____.
QSA	What is the strength of my signals? The strength of your signals is ____ (1-Scarcely perceptible, 2-Weak, 3-Fairly Good, 4-Good, 5-Very Good.)
QSB	Are my signals fading? Your signals are fading.
QSD	Is my keying defective? Your keying is defective.
QSG	Shall I send ____ messages at a time? Send ____ messages at a time.
QSJ	What is the charge to be collected per word to ____ including your international telegraph charge? The charge to be collected per word is ____ including my international telegraph charge.
QSK	Can you hear me between you signals and if so can I break in on your transmission? I can hear you between my signals, break in on my transmission.
QSL	Can you acknowledge receipt? I am acknowledging receipt.
QSM	Shall I repeat the last message which I sent you? Repeat the last message.
QSN	Did you hear me on ____ kHz? I did hear you on ____ kHz.
QSO	Can you communicate with ____ direct or by relay? I can communicate with ____ direct (or by relay through ____.)
QSP	Will you relay to ____? I will relay to ____.
QSQ	Have you a doctor on board? (or is ____ on board?) I have a doctor on board (or ____ is on board.)
QSU	Shall I send or reply on this frequency? Send a series of Vs on this frequency.
QSV	Shall I send a series of Vs on this frequency? Send a series of Vs on this frequency.
QSW	Will you send on this frequency? I am going to send on this frequency.
QSY	Shall I change to another frequency? Change to another frequency.
QSZ	Shall I send each word or group more than once? Send each word or group twice (or ____ times.)
QTA	Shall I cancel message number ____? Cancel message number ____.
QTB	Do you agree with my counting of words? I do not agree with your counting of words. I will repeat the first letter or digit of each word or group.
QTC	How many messages have you to send? I have ____ messages for you.
QTE	What is my true bearing from you? Your true bearing from me is ____ degrees.
QTG	Will you send two dashes of 10 seconds each followed by your call sign? I am going to send two dashes of 10 seconds each followed by my call sign.
QTH	What is your location? My location is ____.
QTI	What is your true track? My true track is ____ degrees.

QTJ	What is your speed? My speed is ___ km/h.
QTL	What is your true heading? My true heading is ___ degrees.
QTN	At what time did you depart from ___? I departed from ___ at ___ hours.
QTO	Have you left dock (or port)? I have left dock (or port).
QTP	Are you going to enter dock (or port)? I am going to enter dock (or port.)
QTQ	Can you communicate with my station by means of the International Code of Signals? I am going to communicate with your station by means of the International Code of Signals.
QTR	What is the correct time? The time is ___.
QTS	Will you send your call sign for ___ minutes so that your frequency can be measured? I will send my call sign for ___ minutes so that my frequency may be measured.
QTU	What are the hours during which your station is open? My station is open from ___ hours to ___ hours.
QTV	Shall I stand guard for you on the frequency of ___ kHz? Stand guard for me on the frequency of ___ kHz.
QTX	Will you keep your station open for further communication with me? I will keep my station open for further communication with you.
QUA	Have you news of ___? I have news of ___.
QUB	Can you give me information concerning visibility, height of clouds, direction and velocity of ground wind at ___? Here is the information you requested...
QUC	What is the number of the last message you received from me? The number of the last message I received from you is ___.
QUD	Have you received the urgency signal sent by ___? I have received the urgency signal sent by ___.
QUF	Have you received the distress signal sent by ___? I have received the distress signal sent by ___.
QUG	Will you be forced to land? I am forced to land immediately.
QUH	Will you give me the present barometric pressure? The present barometric pressure is ___ (units).

