

STM Report
Wisconsin Section
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Roger Dodger, You Old Codger

FAQ # 294 Roger who? When an operator receiving a formal message copies it accurately, he confirms his reception with one word – “Roger.” No, it doesn’t matter what the name of the sending operator is. It doesn’t matter to whom the message is addressed. The signature has no influence on this response.

“Roger” means “Roger.” It only needs to be said once. “Roger, Roger” is redundant. On CW, it’s “R” – sometimes spelled Q-S-L.

Roger, of course, comes from the old phonetics for “R,” and “R” means “received.” It doesn’t mean “Yes.” (That’s “Affirmative.”) It doesn’t even mean, “Will comply.” (That would be “Wilco.”) In today’s phonetic alphabet, I suppose it could be said, “I’ll Romeo that,” but that’s not in common use. So “Roger” it is.

What’s important to remember is what’s behind the response. It means the receiver has copied the message *exactly* as it was sent. If he or she knows the address is wrong, it’s still copied it as sent. If there’s a spelling or grammatical error in the text (and this isn’t easy), the receiver still copies it *exactly* as it is sent. If there’s a mistake in the wording – such as an unnecessary “x-ray” after an ARL numbered text – it is ignored and copied word-for-word. Obvious typo? Maybe not. The text remains constant. Only then can the receiving station respond with that famous word – “Roger.” Upon correct copy, all that’s needed from the receiver then is just a “Roger” and his call sign.

Getting the message passed perfectly should make the sender jolly – but I guess the Jolly Roger is a symbol for something else. 73 – K9LGU/STM-WI

WISCONSIN SECTION MONTHLY NET ACTIVITY JAN 2026

NET	QNI CHECK- INS	QTC TRAFFIC	QTR TIME	SSNS SESSIONS	NM NET MANAGER
BWN	1046	1655	3337	31	K9LUK

BEN	373	266	529	31	NX9K
WSBN	493	174	670	31	AG9G
WSSN	150	52	381	31	KB9ROB
WIN/E	129	203	267	31	WB9ICH
WIN/L	132	72	281	31	W9RTP
WI ARES/RACES HF	43	8	94	4	WB9WKO
WI ARES/RACES VHF	28	0	55	1	KA9KJE
WI ARES/RACES DIGITAL	296	1815	8640	6	KD9USW
totals	2690	4245	14254	197	

STATION ACTIVITY SUMMARY Jan 2026

STATION	ORIG	RCVD	SENT	DLVD	ATT	TOTAL
NX9K	309	89	560	0	0	958-BPL
KB9GO	0	487	217	0	0	704-BPL
WB9WKO	7	364	288	8	0	667-BPL
AG9G	0	340	206	0	0	546-BPL
N9CK	0	217	197	0	0	414
N9VC	0	267	32	0	0	399

KC9UC	0	76	101	0	0	177
WJ9L	0	64	63	4	4	135
K9LGU	0	47	69	1	0	117
KB9ROB	1	48	9	5	2	65
K9STN	0	7	43	1	1	52
W9RTP	0	23	4	1	2	30
W9RNA	0	9	7	8	3	27
WB9ICH	0	23	2	0	0	25
KC9FXE	0	5	12	3	0	20
WB9NRK	0	5	0	5	0	10
KA9KJE	1	6	1	0	0	8

P S H R SUMMARY JAN 2026

POSSIBLE POINTS >	40 nets	40 tfc	30 appt	5 /hr. sked events	5 /hr. emrg events	10ea bbs/ web pg	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	T
N9VC	40	40	30	205	0	20	335
AG9G	40	40	30	25	0	0	135
WB9WKO	40	40	30	10	0	0	120
K9LGU	40	40	30	5	0	0	115
KC9FXE	40	20	20	25	0	10	115

N9CK	40	40	30	0	0	0	110
NX9K	40	40	20	0	0	0	100
KB9GO	40	40	10	0	0	0	90
KC9UC	40	40	10	0	0	0	90