

CW Abbreviations for radio telegraphy

Courtesy of W1WC

- **33** fondest regards
- **55** best success
- **73** best regards
- **88** love and kisses

A

- **abt** about
- **ads** address
- **agn** again
- **ani** any
- **ans** answer
- **ant** antenna

B

- **b4** before
- **bcnu** be seeing you
- **bcp** beaucoup (french)
- **bd** bad
- **bjr** bonjour (french)
- **bk** break
- **bth** both
- **buro** bureau

C

- **c** yes
- **cb** (1) callbook
- **cb** (2) citizensband
- **cba** callbook address
- **cfm** confirm
- **cl** closing
- **clg** calling
- **clix** key-clicks
- **cmg** coming
- **condx** conditions
- **congrats** congratulations
- **cpi** copy
- **cq** general call
- **crd** card
- **cs** callsign
- **cuagn** call you again
- **cud** could
- **cul** call you later
- **cuз** because
- **cw** continuous wave

D

- **de** from
- **dr** dear
- **dsw** see you again (russian)
- **dwn** down
- **dx** long distance

E

- **el** element
- **enuf** enough
- **es** and
- **eu** europe
- **eve** evening

F

- **fb** fine business
- **fd** fieldday
- **fer** for
- **fm** from
- **fone** telephony
- **fq** frequency
- **freq** frequency
- **fwd** forward

G

- **ga** go ahead
- **ga** good afternoon
- **gb** goodbye
- **gd** good day
- **ge** good evening
- **gg** going
- **gld** glad
- **gm** good morning
- **gn** good night
- **gnd** ground
- **gp** ground plane
- **gs** green stamp
- **gud** good

H

- **ham** radio amateur
- **hi** high
- **hi** laughter
- **hpe** hope
- **hq** headquarters
- **hr** here
- **hr** hour
- **hrd** heard
- **hrs** hours
- **hv** have
- **hvg** having
- **hvy** heavy
- **hw** how
- **hw?** how did you copy?

I

- **ii** I repeat
- **info** information
- **inpt** inpu

J

- **ja** japan

K

- **k** invitation to transmit
- **klix** keyclicks

L

- **lid** poor operator
- **lis** liscensed
- **lp** long path
- **lsn** listen
- **lw** long wire

M

- **mci** merci (french)
- **mgr** manager
- **mi** my
- **mni** many
- **mom** moment
- **msg** message
- **mult** multiplier

N

- **n** no
- **n 9** (as in RST-report)
- **nfd** national fieldday
- **nil** nothing
- **nr** number
- **nr** near
- **nw** now

O

- **ob** old boy
- **oc** old chap
- **ok** correct
- **om** old man
- **onli** only
- **op** operator
- **opr** operator
- **ot** old timer
- **ow** old woman

P

- **pse** please
- **pwr** power
- **px** prefix
- **px** press

Q

You will find the Q-code list [here](#) **R**

- **r** received OK
- **rcvd** received
- **rcvr** receiver
- **rig** radio equipment
- **rprt** report
- **rpt** repeat
- **rx** receiver

S

- **sa** say
- **sed** said
- **shud** should
- **sig** signature
- **sigs** signals
- **sk** silent key
- **sked** schedule
- **sn** soon
- **sp** short path
- **sri** sorry
- **stn** station
- **sum** some
- **swl** short wave listener

T

- **temp** temperature
- **test** test
- **test** contest
- **tfc** traffic
- **thru** through
- **til** until
- **tk** thanks
- **trbl** trouble
- **trx** transceiver
- **tt** that
- **tu** thank you
- **tx** transmitter
- **txt** text

U

- **u** you
- **ufb** ultra fine business
- **unlis** unlicensed
- **up** upward
- **ur** your
- **urs** yours

V

- **vert** vertical
- **vx** vieux (french)
- **vy** very

W

- **watsa** what do you say
- **wid** with
- **wkd** worked
- **wkg** working
- **wl** will
- **wpm** words per minute
- **wrk** work
- **wud** would
- **ww** would
- **wx** weather

X

- **xcvr** transceiver
- **xmas** christmas
- **xmtr** transmitter
- **xtal** crystal
- **xyl** wife

Y

- **yf** wife
- **yl** young lady
- **yr** year

Z

- **z** zulu-time (=UTC)