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"Q" CODE DEFINITIONS

Below are a number of "Q" code definitions. The "Q" codes are typically used when there is a need/desire to express a particular idea and do so as quickly and simply as possible. "Q" codes take the form of a question only when sent followed by a question mark.

| CODE | DEFINITION |
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| QHF | Are you going to the Hamfest? I am going to the Hamfest! |
| 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 your 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. |
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| 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 your 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 repeate 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.) |
| QST | Message to all radio Amateurs (also USA ham magazine). |
| 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 |
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| 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. |
| QТG | 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 |
| QТS | 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 |

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| Q | UG | Will you be forced to land? I am forced to land immediately. |
| Q | UH | Will you give me the present barometric pressure? The present barometric pressure is (units). |

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General Exam Question: G4D02

Question: Which of the following describes how a speech processor affects a transmitted single sideband phone signal?

- **A.** It increases peak power
- **B.** It increases average power
- **C.** It reduces harmonic distortion
- **D.** It reduces intermodulation distortion

Correct Answer: **B**

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