

DA20XOTA - 20 Jahre Outdoor-Funk in den Deutschen Alpen

Geschrieben von: Dzianis, DD1LD

Sonntag, den 24. Dezember 2023 um 13:24 Uhr

The callsign **DA20XOTA** means **D**eutsche **A**lpen **20** (Jahre/Years) **X**-any **O**n **T**he **A**ir and is related exclusively to outdoor portable amateur radio activities of all kinds in the German Alps from January 1st to December 31st, 2024.

It may include such activities as

- SOTA (Summits On The Air)
- GMA (Global Mountain Award)
- WWFF (Worldwide Flora Fauna)
- POTA (Parks On The Air)
- COTA (Castles On The Air)
- BBT (Bayerischer Bergtag / Bavarian Mountain Day)
- Contests and Field Days

but not limited to.

Probably, the first sport amateur radio activities in the German Alps were associated with the BBT (Bayerischer Bergtag / Bavarian Mountain Day) in the 195x and with occasional VHF/UHF & microwave contesting. The new era of alpine amateur radio activities began with the launching of the German alpine SOTA association (SOTA-DL Deutsche Alpen) in 2004. Over the next 20 years, other amateur radio award schemes and programs followed in the alpine regions, e.g. GMA, WWFF and the newest one called POTA. Today, anyone can participate in one of the outdoor amateur radio award programs depending on their sporting ambitions, physical fitness, interests and preferences. There are thousands of references in the German alpine regions waiting to be activated and brought on the air. Please join us in celebrating 20 years of outdoor amateur radio activities in the German Alps! Just pick-up a couple of X-any references and get your **20 Jahre Deutsche Alpen Explorer Award** for free.

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Activator /	Chaser
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Alpine regions* to be activated	chased	in total
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Alpine regions* to be activated/	chased	by/	as
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Bronze

4 from 10

1 from 10

Silver

7 from 10

2 from 10

Gold

All 10

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3 from 10

Platinum

All 10

All 10

* at least one X-any reference (SOTA, GMA, WWFF, COTA, etc.) from following 10 regions in the Germ

The alpine regions are considered ones of the most picturesque in Germany. The German Alps offer a lot of opportunities to enjoy portable radio operation around the clock. Whether you choose to be active and go sport climbing for SOTA or family hiking for GMA, biking up and down the challenging mountain roads to explore new WWFF nature parks, or simply admire the majestic views while strolling through the quiet town streets towards an old castle or ancient fortress for COTA, like us, you will definitely fall in love with the Alps! Explore German Alps, as an activator or as a chaser or as both!

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