

R-S-T System					
Readability		Signal Strength		Tone	
1	Unreadable	1	Faint signals, barely perceptible	1	Sixty cycle AC or less, very rough and broad
2	Barely readable, occasional words distinguishable	2	Very weak signals	2	Very rough AC, very harsh and broad
3	Readable with considerable difficulty	3	Weak signals	3	Rough AC tone, rectified but not filtered
4	Readable with practically no difficulty	4	Fair signals	4	Rough note, some trace of filtering
5	Perfectly readable	5	Fairly good signals	5	Filtered rectified AC but strongly ripple-modulated
		6	Good signals	6	Filtered tone, definite trace of ripple modulation
		7	Moderately strong signals	7	Near pure tone, trace of ripple modulation
		8	Strong signals	8	Near perfect tone, slight trace of modulation
		9	Extremely strong signals	9	Perfect tone, no trace of ripple or modulation of any kind
<p>If the signal has the characteristic steadiness of crystal control, add the letter 'X' to the RST report to indicate this. If there is a chirp, add the letter 'C' to the RST report to indicate this. If there is a click, add the letter 'K' to the RST report to indicate this. The above reporting system is used on both CW and voice, leaving out the "tone" report on voice.</p>					