

# Using the National Grid in Scotland



1. Scotland is covered by 100 kilometre grid squares, each grid square is identified by two letters, as shown in **diagram A**.

2. These squares are further divided into smaller squares by grid lines representing 10 kilometre spacing, each numbered from 0 to 9 from the south-west corner, in an easterly (left to right) and northerly (upwards) direction, as shown in **diagram B**.

Diagram A

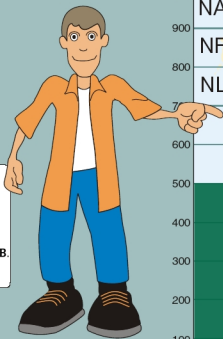
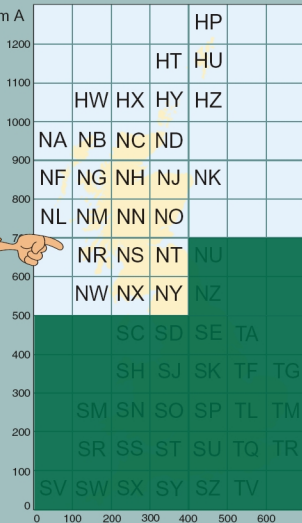
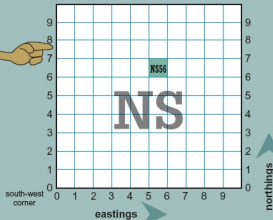


Diagram B



3. Using this system you can identify a 10 kilometre grid square (also known as a WAB square amongst HAM operators) for ALBA award. For example, here is NS56 square, home QTH of the Scottish EPC Club Station MM0EPC. After the letters you quote the **eastings** (5) first, then the **northings** (6).

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