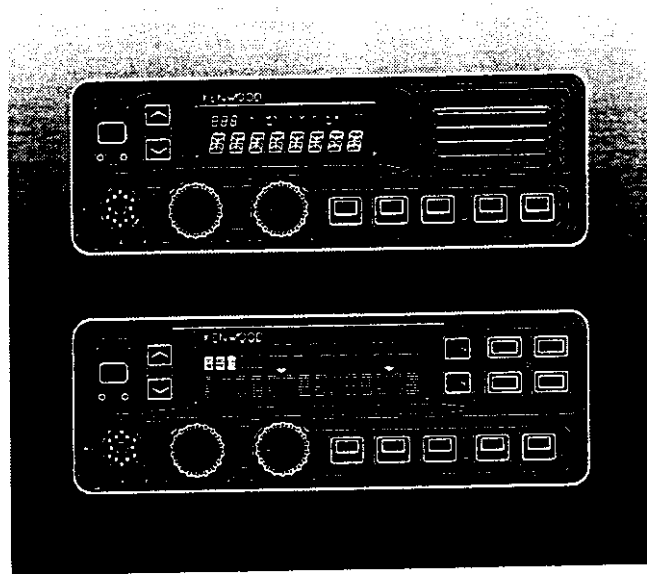


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LOW BAND VHF FM TRANSCEIVER

TK-690 series

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TK-790 series

UHF FM TRANSCEIVER

TK-890 series

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THANK YOU!

We are grateful you chose **KENWOOD** for your land mobile applications. We believe this easy-to-use transceiver will provide dependable communications to keep personnel operating at peak efficiency.

KENWOOD transceivers incorporate the latest in advanced technology. As a result, we feel strongly that you will be pleased with the quality and features of this product.

MODELS COVERED BY THIS MANUAL

- **TK-690H:** Low Band VHF FM Transceiver
- **TK-790:** VHF FM Transceiver
- **TK-790H:** VHF FM Transceiver
- **TK-890:** UHF FM Transceiver
- **TK-890H:** UHF FM Transceiver

NOTICES TO THE USER

WARNING!

- ◆ **GOVERNMENT LAW PROHIBITS THE OPERATION OF UNLICENSED RADIO TRANSMITTERS WITHIN THE TERRITORIES UNDER GOVERNMENT CONTROL.**
- ◆ **ILLEGAL OPERATION IS PUNISHABLE BY FINE OR IMPRISONMENT OR BOTH.**
- ◆ **REFER SERVICE TO QUALIFIED TECHNICIANS ONLY.**

SAFETY: It is important that the operator is aware of, and understands, hazards common to the operation of any transceiver.

WARNING!

- ◆ **EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES (GASES, DUST, FUMES, etc.)**
Turn OFF your transceiver while taking on fuel or while parked in a gasoline service station. Do not carry spare fuel containers in the trunk of your vehicle if your transceiver is mounted in the trunk area.
- ◆ **INJURY FROM RADIO FREQUENCY TRANSMISSIONS**
Do not operate your transceiver when somebody is within two to three feet of the antenna, to avoid the possibility of radio frequency burns or related physical injury.
- ◆ **DYNAMITE BLASTING CAPS**
Turn OFF your transceiver when in an area where blasting is in progress, or where "TURN OFF TWO-WAY RADIO" signs have been posted. Operating the transceiver within 150 meters (500 feet) of dynamite blasting caps may cause them to explode. If you are carrying blasting caps in your vehicle, make sure they are enclosed in a metal box with a padded interior. Do not transmit while the caps are being placed into or are being removed from the container.

Note: This instruction manual covers only the basic functions of the transceiver. Consult your dealer for more detailed information.

One or more of the following statements may be applicable:

FCC WARNING

This equipment generates or uses radio frequency energy. Changes or modifications to this equipment may cause harmful interference unless the modifications are expressly approved in the instruction manual. The user could lose the authority to operate this equipment if an unauthorized change or modification is made.

INFORMATION TO THE DIGITAL DEVICE USER REQUIRED BY THE FCC

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can generate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that the interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- *Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.*
- *Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.*
- *Connect the equipment to an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.*
- *Consult the dealer for technical assistance.*

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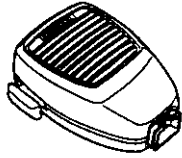
UNPACKING AND CHECKING EQUIPMENT

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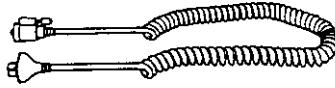
Carefully unpack the transceiver. We recommend that you identify the items listed in the following table before discarding the packing material. If any items have been damaged during shipment, file a claim with the carrier immediately.

■ Supplied Accessories

Item	Part Number	Quantity				
		TK-690H	TK-790	TK-790H	TK-890	TK-890H
Microphone	T91-0587-X5	-	1	-	1	-
Microphone cable	E30-2089-X8	-	1	-	1	-
Microphone hanger	J19-1584-X5	-	1	-	1	-
Mounting bracket	J29-0422-X3	-	1	-	1	-
Power cable assembly	E30-3318-X5	-	1	-	1	-
Fuse (15 A)	F05-1537-X5	-	3	-	3	-
Speaker short plug	E37-0733-X5	1	1	1	1	1
Cover	F07-1336-X5	1	1	1	1	1
Retaining band	J61-0307-X5	1	1	1	1	1
Knob	K29-4705-X4	-	5	-	5	-
	K29-5276-X3	-	1	-	1	-
	K29-5277-X3	-	1	-	1	-
	K29-5305-X3	-	1	-	1	-
Hex-headed screw	N09-2177-X5	1	7	1	7	1
Self-tapping screw (5 x 16 mm)	N09-0335-X5	-	4	-	4	-
Self-tapping screw (4 x 16 mm)	N46-4016-X6	-	3	-	3	-
Spring washer	N16-0050-X6	-	4	-	4	-
Flat washer	N15-1050-X6	-	4	-	4	-
Warranty card (USA/ Canada only)	B46-0470-XX	1	1	1	1	1
Instruction manual	B62-0970-XX	1	1	1	1	1



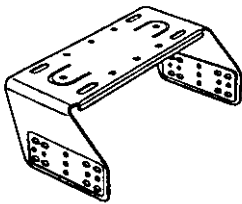
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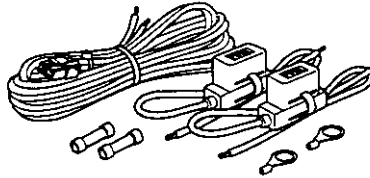
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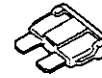
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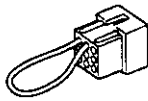
Mounting bracket



Power cable
assembly



Fuse (15 A)



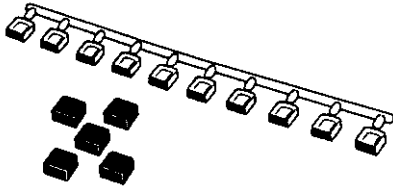
Speaker short plug



Cover



Retaining band



Knob



Hex-headed
screw



Self-tapping screw
(5 x 16 mm)



Self-tapping screw
(4 x 16 mm)



Spring washer



Flat washer

PREPARATION

WARNING!

- ◆ VARIOUS ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT IN YOUR VEHICLE MAY MALFUNCTION IF THEY ARE NOT PROPERLY PROTECTED FROM THE RADIO FREQUENCY ENERGY WHICH IS PRESENT WHILE TRANSMITTING. ELECTRONIC FUEL INJECTION, ANTI-SKID BRAKING, AND CRUISE CONTROL SYSTEMS ARE TYPICAL EXAMPLES OF EQUIPMENT THAT MAY MALFUNCTION. IF YOUR VEHICLE CONTAINS SUCH EQUIPMENT, CONSULT THE DEALER FOR THE MAKE OF VEHICLE AND ENLIST HIS AID IN DETERMINING IF THEY WILL PERFORM NORMALLY WHILE TRANSMITTING.
- ◆ ALTHOUGH THE REMOTE PANELS ARE WATER RESISTANT, THE MAIN TRANSCEIVER BODY IS NOT. MOUNT IT IN A PLACE WHERE IT WILL NOT GET WET.

Note: The following preparation instructions are for use by your KENWOOD dealer, an authorized KENWOOD service facility, or the factory.

■ Tools Required

Note: Before installing the transceiver, always check how far the mounting screws will extend below the mounting surface. When drilling mounting holes, be careful not to damage vehicle wiring or parts.

The following tools are required for installing the transceiver:

- 6 mm (1/4 inch) or larger electric drill
- Drill bits (sizes listed below) and circle cutters

Drill Bit Size	Purpose
4.2 mm (5/32 inch)	5 x 16 mm self-tapping screws
3.2 mm (1/8 inch)	4 x 16 mm self-tapping screws

■ Power Cable Connection

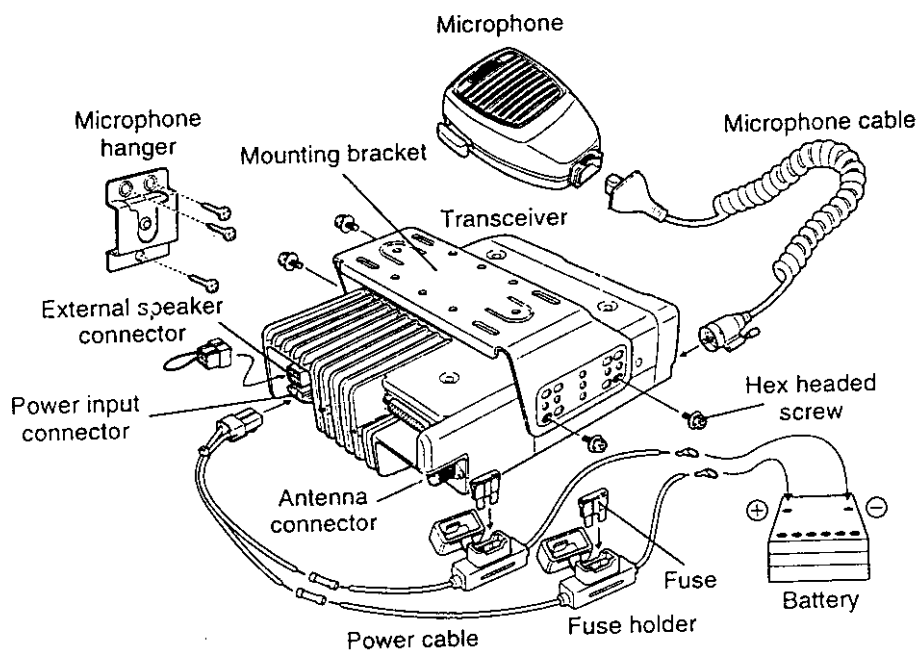
CAUTION: THE TRANSCEIVER OPERATES IN 12 V NEGATIVE GROUND SYSTEMS ONLY! CHECK THE BATTERY POLARITY AND VOLTAGE OF THE VEHICLE BEFORE INSTALLING THE TRANSCEIVER.

- 1 Check for an existing hole, conveniently located in the firewall, where the power cable can be passed through.
 - If no hole exists, drill the firewall and install a rubber grommet.
- 2 Run the two power cable leads through the fire wall and into the engine compartment, from the passenger compartment.
 - Keep the plug end of the cable at the transceiver.
- 3 Connect the red lead to the positive (+) battery terminal, or switched power source, and the black lead to the negative (-) battery terminal.
 - Locate the fuse as close to the battery as possible.
- 4 Recoil and secure the surplus cable with the provided retaining band.
 - Be sure to leave enough slack in the cables so the transceiver can be removed for servicing while keeping the power applied.

■ Installing the Transceiver

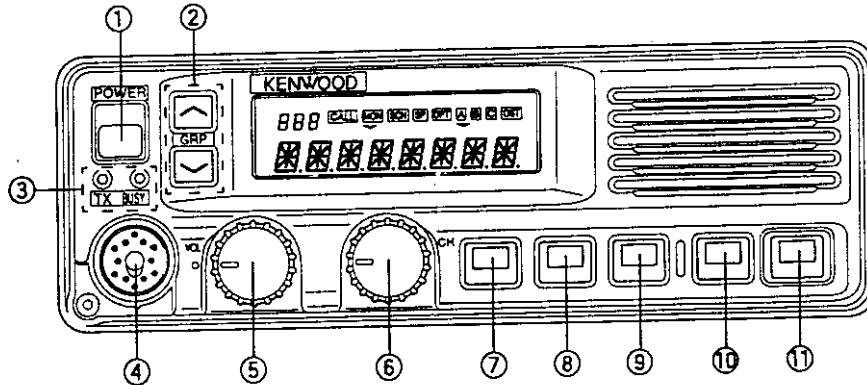
WARNING! FOR PASSENGER SAFETY, INSTALL THE TRANSCEIVER SECURELY, USING THE SUPPLIED MOUNTING BRACKET, SO THE TRANSCEIVER WILL NOT BREAK LOOSE IN THE EVENT OF A COLLISION.

- 1 Mark the position of the holes in the dash by using the mounting bracket as a template. Drill the holes, then attach the mounting bracket using the supplied 5 x 16 mm screws.
 - Be sure to mount the transceiver in a location where the controls will be within easy reach of the user, and where there is sufficient space at the rear of the transceiver for cable connections.
- 2 Connect the antenna and the supplied power cable to the transceiver.
- 3 Slide the transceiver into the mounting bracket and secure it using the supplied hex-headed screws.
- 4 Mount the microphone hanger, using the supplied 4 x 16 mm screws, in a location where it will be within easy reach of the user.
 - The microphone and microphone cable should be mounted in a place where they will not interfere with the safe operation of the vehicle.
- 5 Connect one plug of the microphone cable to the jack on the base of the microphone, and the other plug to the microphone jack on the front of the transceiver. Place the microphone on the hanger.



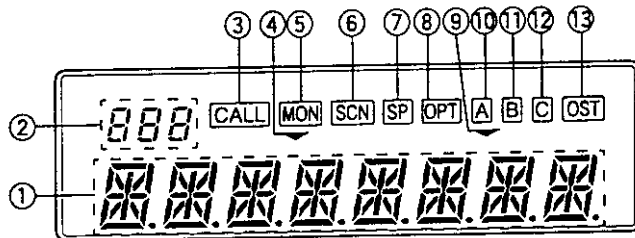
GETTING ACQUAINTED

■ Basic Front Panel Kit



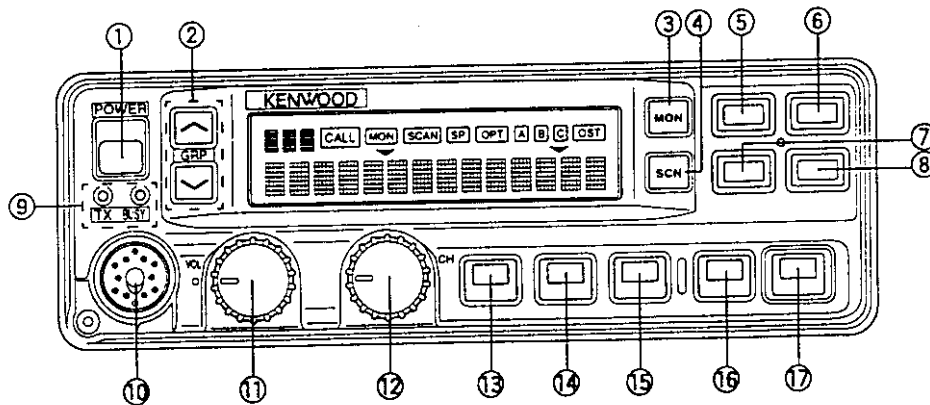
- ① **POWER** switch
Press to switch the power ON (or OFF).
 - ② **GRP** (Group) keys
Press **GRP Up** to increase the group selection by one step. Press **GRP Down** to decrease the group selection by one step. (See page 11 for other programmable functions for this key.)
 - ③ **TX/BUSY** indicators
The red LED lights while transmitting. The green LED lights while the selected channel is in use.
 - ④ **Microphone** connector
Insert the microphone plug into this connector and secure it using the attached screw. To remove the microphone, release the screw, then turn the connector clockwise until it becomes free.
 - ⑤ **VOL** (Volume) control
Turn clockwise to increase the volume, and counterclockwise to decrease it.
 - ⑥ **CH** (Channel) control (default setting)
Turn clockwise to increase the channel selection, and counterclockwise to decrease it. (Alternatively, this control can be programmed with group up/down.)
 - ⑦ **PF1** key
 - ⑧ **PF2** key
 - ⑨ **PF3** key
 - ⑩ **PF4** key
 - ⑪ **PF5** key
- Press these PF (programmable function) keys to activate their programmable functions (page 11). The default is set as No Function.

■ Basic Panel Display



①	▣▣▣▣▣▣▣▣	Displays the operating Group/ Channel number, the Group/ Channel name, and the transceiver status.
②	888	Displays the channel status: P1 indicates a Priority 1 channel; P2 indicates a Priority 2 channel; PP indicates a Priority 1 and 2 channel; HC indicates a Home Channel; TA indicates Talk Around mode; RCL indicates a Recall Channel; R1 ~ R15 indicates remote channels.
③	CALL	Flashes when a call is received by DTMF or 2Tone signaling. Appears during and after transmitting if set by the dealer.
④	▼	Appears when the selected group is in the scanning sequence.
⑤	MON	Appears when signaling squelch is turned OFF.
⑥	SCN	Appears while scanning is in progress.
⑦	SP	Appears when the audio output is set to "External" speaker.
⑧	OPT	Appears when the optional scrambler board is enabled.
⑨	▼	Appears when the selected channel is in the scanning sequence.
⑩	A	Appears when Aux A is ON.
⑪	B	Appears when Aux B is ON.
⑫	C	Appears when Aux C is ON.
⑬	OST	Appears when Operator Selectable Tone is enabled.

■ Full-featured Front Panel Kit



- ① **POWER** switch
Press to switch the power ON (or OFF).
 - ② **GRP** (Group) keys
Press **GRP Up** to increase the group selection by one step. Press **GRP Down** to decrease the group selection by one step. (See page 11 for other programmable functions for this key.)
 - ③ **MON** (Monitor) key (default setting)
Press to cancel QT, DQT, 2Tone, and DTMF signaling squelch. Press and hold for 2 seconds to hear background noise (unmute the audio). (See page 11 for other programmable functions for this key.)
 - ④ **SCN** (Scan) key (default setting)
Press to start (or stop) the scanning sequence. (See page 11 for other programmable functions for this key.)
 - ⑤ **PF6** key
 - ⑥ **PF7** key
 - ⑦ **PF8** key
 - ⑧ **PF9** key
- Press these PF (programmable function) keys to activate their programmable functions {page 11}. The default is set as No Function.
- ⑨ **TX/BUSY** indicators
The red LED lights while transmitting. The green LED lights while the selected channel is in use.
 - ⑩ **Microphone** connector
Insert the microphone plug into this connector and secure it using the attached screw. To remove the microphone, release the screw, then turn the connector clockwise until it becomes free.
 - ⑪ **VOL** (Volume) control
Turn clockwise to increase the volume, and counterclockwise to decrease it.



⑫ **CH** (Channel) control (default setting)
Turn clockwise to increase the channel selection, and counterclockwise to decrease it. (Alternatively, this control can be programmed with group up/down.)

⑬ PF1 key

⑭ PF2 key

⑮ PF3 key

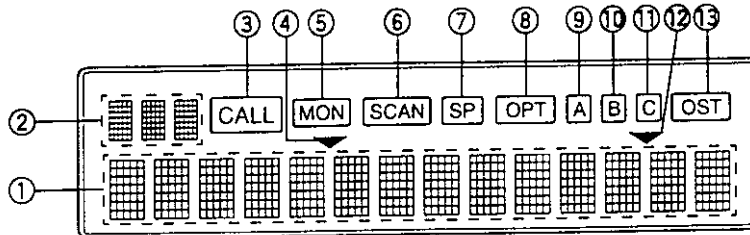
⑯ PF4 key

⑰ PF5 key

Press these PF (programmable function) keys to activate their programmable functions (page 11). The default is set as No Function.



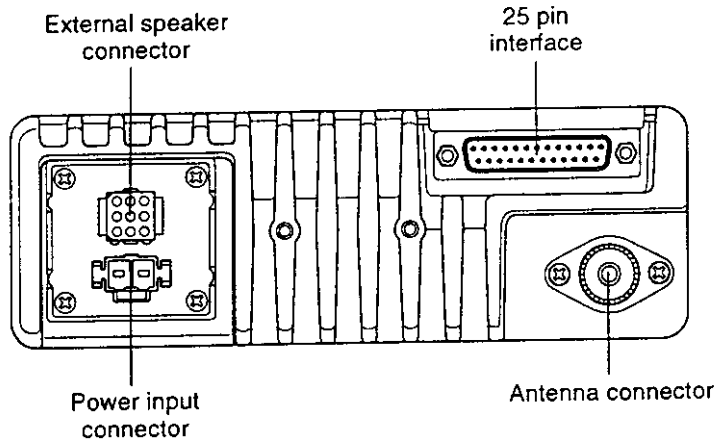
■ Full-featured Panel Display



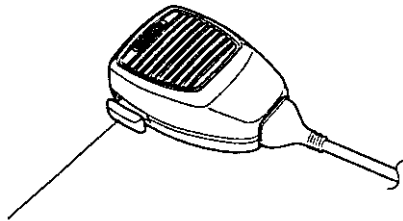
①		Displays the operating Group/ Channel number, the Group/ Channel name, and the transceiver status.
②		Displays the channel status: P1 indicates a Priority 1 channel; P2 indicates a Priority 2 channel; PP indicates a Priority 1 and 2 channel; HC indicates a Home Channel; TA indicates Talk Around mode; RCL indicates a Recall Channel; R1 ~ R15 indicates remote channels.
③		Flashes when a call is received by DTMF or 2Tone signaling. Appears during and after transmitting if set by the dealer.
④		Appears when the selected group is in the scanning sequence.
⑤		Appears when signaling squelch is turned OFF.
⑥		Appears while scanning is in progress.
⑦		Appears when the audio output is set to "External" speaker.
⑧		Appears when the optional scrambler board is enabled.
⑨		Appears when Aux A is ON.
⑩		Appears when Aux B is ON.
⑪		Appears when Aux C is ON.
⑫		Appears when the selected channel is in the scanning sequence.
⑬		Appears when Operator Selectable Tone is enabled.



■ Rear Panel



■ Microphone



PTT (Push To Talk) switch
Press and hold to transmit, then speak into the microphone. Release to receive.

PROGRAMMABLE FUNCTIONS

The following functions can be programmed onto the **GRP Up**, **GRP Down**, **MON**, **SCN**, and **PF1 - PF9** keys. Please contact your dealer for more information on these functions.

Function	Description
Aux A	Turns the Aux A port ON (or OFF).
Aux B	Turns the Aux B port ON (or OFF).
Aux C	Turns the Aux C port ON (or OFF).
CH1 Direct	Jumps to the Group 1/ Channel 1 directory.
CH2 Direct	Jumps to the Group 1/ Channel 2 directory.
CH3 Direct	Jumps to the Group 1/ Channel 3 directory.
CH4 Direct	Jumps to the Group 1/ Channel 4 directory.
CH5 Direct	Jumps to the Group 1/ Channel 5 directory.
Channel Down	Decreases the channel number.
Channel Name	Switches the display between Group/ Channel number and Group/ Channel name.
Channel Recall	Jumps to the last called channel when pressed during Scan. Jumps to the previous channel when pressed again.
Channel Up	Increases the channel number.
Delete/ Add	Deletes a channel from, or adds a channel to, the scanning sequence.
Dimmer	Adjusts the brightness of the display backlight, key backlight, TX/BUSY LED, and DTMF Mic key backlight.
Emergency Call	Initiates an emergency call (requires ANI board).
Group Down	Decreases the group number.
Group Up	Increases the group number.
Home Channel (fixed)	Jumps to the pre-programmed Home Channel.
Home Channel (toggle)	Jumps to the Home Channel when pressed. Returns to the previous channel when pressed again.
Horn Alert	Turns the Horn Alert relay ON when receiving a channel ID code.
Intercom	Allows communication between two control head operators without transmitting over the air (dual head configuration only).
Mobile Relay Station	Allows the transceiver to function as a repeater (dual band configuration only).
Monitor	See MON (Monitor) key (page 7).
No Function	No function.
Operator Selectable Tone	Selects signaling from the pre-programmed QT/DQT list.
Public Address	Allows the transceiver to function as a PA amplifier.
Scan	See SCN (Scan) key (page 7).
Scrambler	Turns the optional scrambler board ON (or OFF).
Speaker 1-2 Mute	Disables the speaker audio from the other control head (dual head configuration only).
Speaker Internal/ External	Switches the audio output between "Internal" and "External" speaker.
Squelch Level	Enters squelch level adjustment mode.
Talk Around	Allows the transceiver to make a call without using a repeater.

BASIC OPERATIONS

■ Switching Power ON/ OFF

Press the **POWER** switch to switch the transceiver ON (or OFF)

- The display backlight illuminates when the power is switched ON.

■ Adjusting the Volume

Turn the **VOL** control clockwise to increase the volume, and counterclockwise to decrease it.

■ Selecting a Group

Press the **Group Up** or **Group Down** keys, or use the **CH** control (depending on which one is programmed with the group functions).

- Pressing **Group Up** or **Group Down** will increase or decrease the group selection by one step.
- Turning the **CH** control clockwise will increase the group selection, and turning it counterclockwise will decrease the selection.

■ Selecting a Channel

Press the **Channel Up** or **Channel Down** keys, or use the **CH** control (depending on which one is programmed with the channel functions).

- Pressing **Channel Up** or **Channel Down** will increase or decrease the channel selection by one step.
- Turning the **CH** control clockwise will increase the channel selection, and turning it counterclockwise will decrease the selection.

■ Making a Call

- 1 Select the desired group and channel (above).
 - Make sure the channel is not in use. If the channel is in use, the **BUSY LED** will light green; wait until the channel is no longer in use.
- 2 Press the **PTT** switch, then speak into the microphone in your normal speaking voice.
 - For best results, hold the transceiver approximately 3 to 4 cm (1 1/2 inches) from your lips.
- 3 Release the **PTT** switch to receive.
- 4 Replace the microphone on the hanger when the call is finished.

DTMF CALLS

■ Manual Dialing

To dial a number manually:

- 1 Press and hold the **PTT** switch.
- 2 Press the desired DTMF keys.

■ Redialing

A maximum of 16 digits can be redialed. The last number dialed, either manually or automatically, will be redialed.

To redial a number:

- 1 Press the * key.
 - An "A" will appear on the display.
- 2 Press the 0 key.
 - The transceiver will redial the last number, and the digits will appear on the display.

Note: If the transceiver power is switched OFF, the redial memory will be erased.

■ Auto Dialing

Store:

To store a number in memory:

- 1 Press the # key.
 - A "D" will appear on the display.
- 2 Press the desired DTMF keys to enter a maximum of 16 digits.
- 3 Press the # key.
- 4 Select the desired memory channel by pressing a DTMF key (1 - 9).
 - The entered number will be stored in the memory channel selected.



Confirm:

To confirm a stored number:

- 1 Press the # key.
 - A "D" will appear on the display.
- 2 Press the * key.
 - "D-" will appear on the display.
- 3 Press the memory channel key (1 - 9) with the stored number you want to confirm.
 - The stored digits will appear on the display and the DTMF tones will sound.

Send:

To send a stored number:

- 1 Press the * key.
 - An "A" will appear on the display.
- 2 Press the memory channel key (1 - 9) with the stored number you want to send.
 - The transceiver will begin the transmission and the digits will appear on the display.

Clear:

To erase a stored number from memory:

- 1 Press the # key.
 - A "D" will appear on the display.
- 2 Press the # key again.
 - "D-CLR" will appear on the display.
- 3 Press the memory channel key (1 - 9) with the stored number you want to erase.

PROGRAMMED KEYS REFERENCE TABLE

Key	Programmed Function
GRP Up	
GRP Down	
MON	
SCN	
PF1	
PF2	
PF3	
PF4	
PF5	
PF6	
PF7	
PF8	
PF9	