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Owner's Manual



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VHF MARINE RADIO

MR HH600W FLT GPS BT

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Introduction

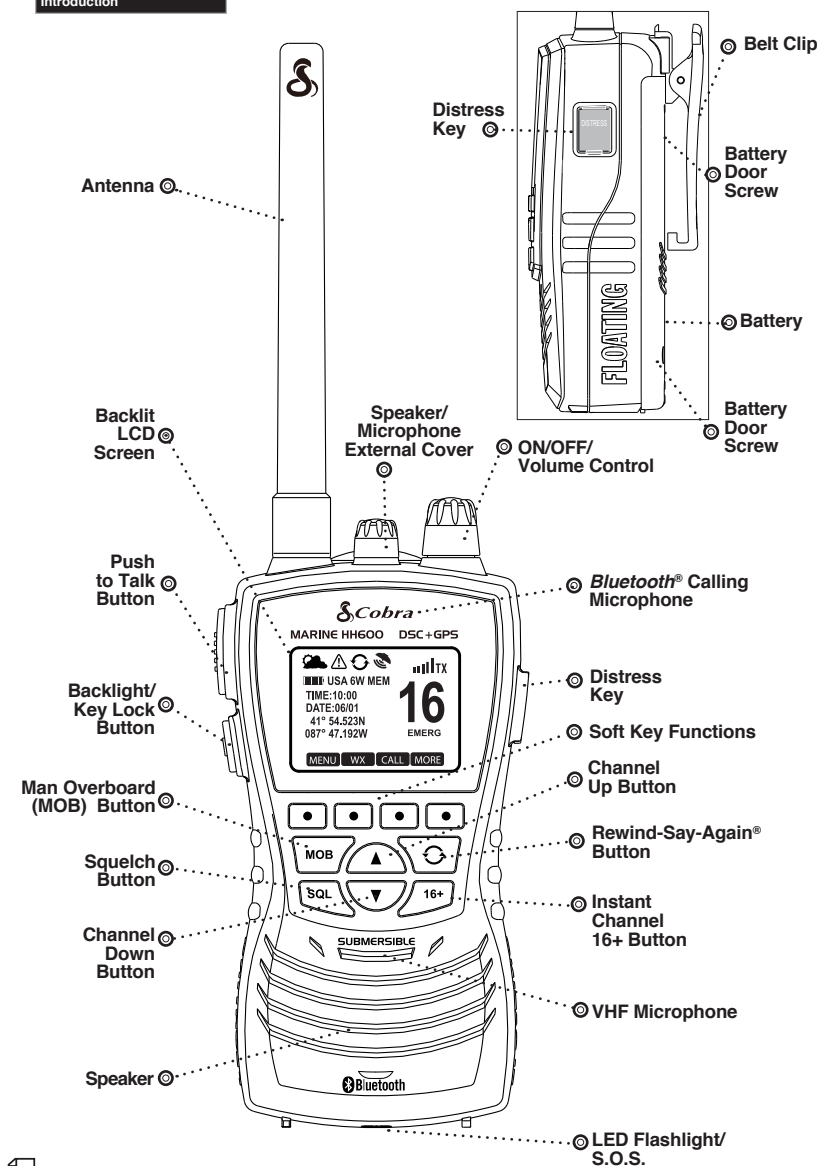


Customer Assistance



Radio Controls and Indicators

Introduction



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Backlit Screen and Product Features

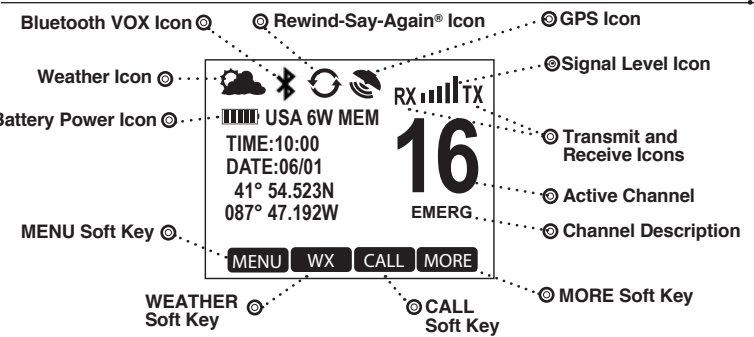


Product Features



Notes

Backlit Screen



Product Features

Built-In GPS Receiver

Shows GPS coordinates on screen and automatically sends GPS location with DSC calls.

Digital Selective Calling (DSC Class-D)

Allows the ability to maintain a listening watch on VHF Channel 16 while simultaneously monitoring Channel 70 for DSC calls. Allows sending a distress message at the touch of a button as well as specific station-to-station calls. Radio utilizes two (2) built-in encoders (receivers).

MicroBlue™

Bluetooth® Wireless Technology in a unique noise canceling design. Widely compatible for all mobile phones with Bluetooth® wireless technology.

Easy Redial Operation

Redial of last phone number dialed.

Voice Dialing

Supports standard mobile phone voice dialing when paired to a compatible mobile phone.

Floating

This radio will float if dropped overboard. It has an orange stripe so it's easy to retrieve. Must use included battery to float.

Rewind-Say-Again®

Replays missed VHF calls.

6 Watt VHF

Select between 1, 3 or 6 watts for short and long range communication.

Flashlight/S.O.S. Light

The radio can be used as a flashlight, strobe light or S.O.S. signal. The light flashes when dropped in the water.

Submersible to IPX8 Standards

Waterproof to 3.3 ft (1 m) of water for 30 minutes.

All NOAA Weather Channels

Instant access to all National Weather Channels, 24 hours a day.

Emergency Weather Alert

Receive NOAA alerts when threatening weather is nearby.

Product Features (continued)

MOB (Man Over Board)

The radio dedicated MOB button marks and memorizes the position information if a crew member falls overboard.

Noise Canceling Microphone

Reduces effect of environmental noise when speaking.

Basic Navigation

Basic navigation features include digital compass, waypoint navigation, course, speed, distance, etc.

USA/International/Canada Channels

Allows operation on any of the three (3) different channel maps established for these areas.

BURP

The Cobra exclusive BURP feature expels water from the speaker grill if the unit is dropped in the water or is subjected to extreme rain and weather.

Speaker/Mic Jack

Allows connecting optional Cobra Lapel Speaker/Mic and other Cobra accessories.

Instant Channel 16/9

Provides instant access to priority Channel 16 and calling Channel 9.

NMEA Out

NMEA 0183 output to display other vessels and their information transmitted by DSC or your chartplotter.

Unlimited Memory Channels

Allows programming of unlimited VHF memory channels.

Tri-Watch

Use to monitor three (3) channels at once — Channel 16, Channel 9 and one other selected channel.

Channel Names

Friendly VHF channel names under the channel number.

Channel Scan/Memory Scan

Use to scan through unlimited channels or memory locations to find conversations in progress.

Signal Strength Meter

Shows the strength of incoming or outgoing signals.

Button/Key Lock

Prevents accidental setting changes when button lock is set.

Illuminated Buttons

Allows high visibility of all function buttons.

AA Battery Compatible

Good for emergency backup. Includes AA battery tray (P/N CM 110-035).

120V/12V Charger Included

Use to charge battery pack, at home, in a car or in a boat.

Locking Desktop Charger

Holds the radio or battery in place while charging. Vertical or horizontal mounting.



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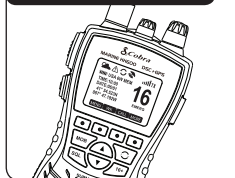
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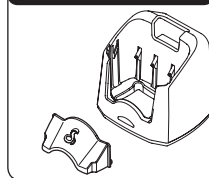
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Included in this package

Radio



Drop-In Battery Charger

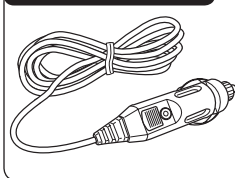


AC Charger



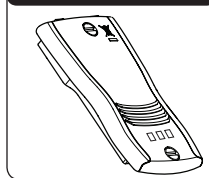
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DC Charger

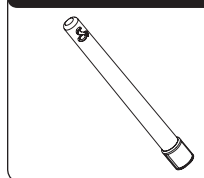


For connection to 12-volt power sources.

LiON Battery Pack



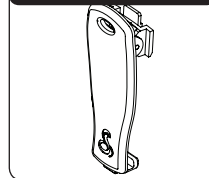
Antenna



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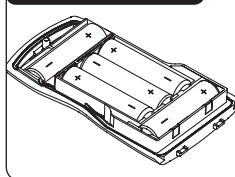
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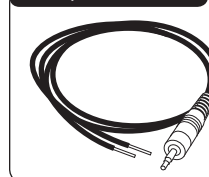
Wrist Strap



Alkaline Battery Tray



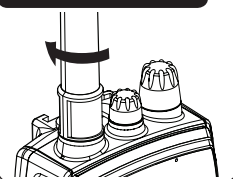
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Install/Remove Antenna

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Antenna

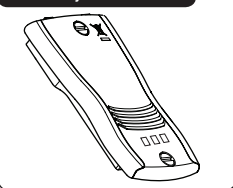


1. To install the antenna turn the antenna into the radio clockwise to tighten. Do not overtighten.
 2. To remove the antenna turn the antenna counterclockwise.
- This radio transmitter IC: 906A-MRHH600 has been approved by Industry Canada to operate with the supplied antenna. Other antennas are strictly prohibited for use with this device.
- Cet émetteur radio IC: 906A-MRHH600 a été approuvé par Industrie Canada pour fonctionner avec l'antenne fournie. D'autres antennes sont strictement interdits pour une utilisation avec cet appareil.

Batteries and Charger

The radio is shipped with a sealed rechargeable lithium-ion (LiON) battery pack (P/N CM 110-034).

LiON Battery Pack



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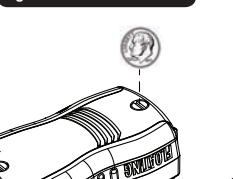
The charger provided for this radio is only to be used to charge the battery pack provided. Do not charge any other type of batteries in the charger as fire, explosion or battery damage may occur. Avoiding extreme temperatures will also help prolong the life of the battery pack for the radio. The device operating voltage is DC 6.29V - DC 8.40V.

When your rechargeable batteries begin to discharge too quickly, it is time to install a new battery pack. Your radio will also operate with five (5) high-quality AA alkaline batteries, using the included alkaline battery tray.

Installing the Battery Pack

1. Position the battery pack over the back of the radio.
2. Engage the battery pack into the radio until battery pack is fully seated into the radio housing.
3. Tighten the screws using a coin or flat object to secure the battery pack to the radio. Do not overtighten.

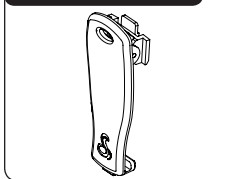
Tighten Screw



Wrist Strap and Belt Clip

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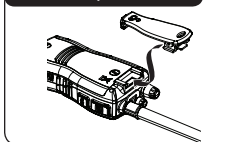
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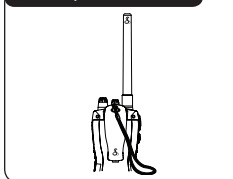
Use the spring-loaded belt clip to carry the radio on your person.

1. Slide the belt clip into the guide channel on the back of the radio until it is locked in place.
2. To attach the wrist strap, insert it through the hole at the top of the belt clip, feed it through the looped end and pull tight to secure to the belt clip.
3. Press open the belt clip, slide it over the belt and release the clip.
4. To remove the belt clip from the radio press the tab on the belt clip, which unlocks the clip, and slide it out.

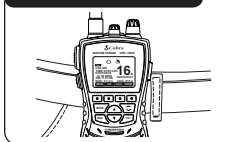
Insert Belt Clip onto Radio



Wrist Strap Attachment

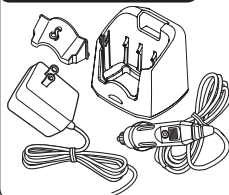


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Batteries and Charger

Power Sources



Initial Battery Charge



Charging

The Cobra-provided LiON battery pack may be charged at home, in a car or in a boat using the appropriate 12V or 120V power cord with the charger.

1. Insert one (1) of the power cords into the back of the drop-in charger.
2. Insert the other end of the power cord into the appropriate 12V or 120V power source.
3. Remove the battery pack spacer from the charger and insert the entire radio/battery into the charger. The metal charge contacts on the battery will contact the mating prongs in the charger to transfer the charging current.
4. The red light on the front of the charger will glow to indicate that the battery pack is properly seated and the charger is operating.
5. Allow the batteries to charge for five (5) to six (6) hours before use. The charge light will turn off when the battery is fully charged.



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The charger provided for this radio is only to be used to charge the battery pack provided. Do not charge any other type of batteries in the charger as fire, explosion or battery damage may occur. Avoiding extreme temperatures will also help prolong the life of the battery pack for the radio.



NOTE

If the drop-in charger is used on a boat, Cobra recommends you attach it to a horizontal shelf or vertical bulkhead (using the screw holes provided) to prevent possible damage due to the boat rolling or pitching. The charging base has been designed to hold the battery pack in place during rough sea conditions.

See page 87 for the compatible Cobra charger accessories.

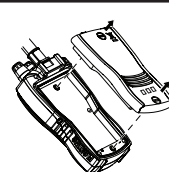


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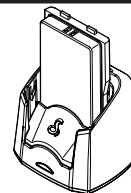
The adapter shall be installed near the radio's charger and shall be easily accessible. The plug is considered a disconnect device of the charging base.

Batteries and Charger

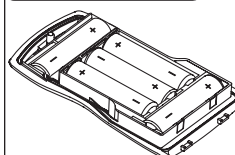
Remove Battery



Battery Pack Charging Only



Alkaline Battery Tray



Fully Charged



Partially Charged



Fully Discharged



To Remove Battery Pack from Radio

1. Loosen the screws on the back of the battery pack.
2. Lift the bottom of the battery pack slightly to remove it from the radio housing.
3. Pull the battery pack out of the radio housing.



NOTE

The LiON battery pack can also be charged in the battery charger without being installed in the radio. Insert the spacer into the battery charger to support the battery pack during this charging process. Follow the same procedures in "Initial Charge" to charge the battery pack.



NOTICE

Lithium-ion (LiON) batteries are toxic. Please dispose of properly. Some marine suppliers and electronics retailers accept old battery packs for recycling and some municipal waste disposal agencies have special provisions for battery disposal.

Alkaline Batteries

The alkaline battery tray acts as a backup or "Emergency" power source should the battery pack run low on power and need to be recharged. The radio will transmit at full power when using five (5) new AA alkaline batteries.



WARNING

Never attempt to recharge alkaline batteries. They are not made to be recharged, and should be disposed of in a proper manner.

Maintaining the Battery Charge

As you use your radio, the battery power icon will show the battery power remaining. When the battery icon begins to flash, the battery is empty and needs to be recharged. The radio will beep three (3) times and flash "Low Battery" every 10 minutes until the radio turns off.



NOTE

The radio will continue to receive signals when blinking but cannot transmit.

It is a good idea to keep a set of fresh, high-quality AA alkaline batteries with your radio. Should the rechargeable battery pack become discharged and no electrical power source is available, you can insert the included alkaline battery tray with fresh alkaline batteries and continue to use your radio.

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Getting Started

HH600 Radio



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Refer to the foldout at the front of this manual to identify the various controls and indicators on your radio. Throughout this manual you will be instructed to “Press” or to “Press and Hold” various buttons (except “Push to Talk”) on the radio. “Press” means a momentary press of approximately one (1) second. “Press and Hold” means to hold the button down for approximately two (2) seconds.

Whenever you press any button except the **Talk** button on your radio, a brief tone will sound to confirm the button press. With all button presses, the appropriate icon will appear on the LCD and the backlight will turn On. The backlight will stay On for 10 seconds after the button is released.

Tones And Alarms

When your CobraMarine VHF radio is **On**, you can expect to hear the following tones and alarms. The volume of these sounds is controlled by the circuitry in the radio and is not affected by the volume set with the **On-Off Power/Volume** knob.

Confirmation Tone

Single high-pitched beep confirms all button presses except the **Talk** button. It can be turned **On** or **Off**. See set-up routines on page 30.

Error Tone

Three low-pitched beep indicates an invalid button press.

DSC Distress Alarm

High—low—high—low—high. Pause, then repeat. The volume of all alarms will increase after 10 seconds. Press any button to turn it Off.



NOTE

This alarm sounds only for DSC distress calls on Channel 70. It does not sound for voice calls on Channel 16 — you still must listen for those.

Distress Acknowledgement Alarm

High—low—high—low—high. Pause, then repeat. The volume of all alarms will increase after 10 seconds. Press any button to turn it Off.

DSC Routine Call Alarm

High—pause—high—pause—high. Long pause, then repeat. Press any button to turn it Off.

DSC Geographical Alarm

Loud, continuous, medium-pitched, high-low tones (warble) — sounds when a geographical call is received. Press any button to turn it Off.

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DSC Position Request Alarm

Medium-loud, continuous, low-pitched series of closely spaced, four (4) beeps [three (3) short — one (1) long] groups — sounds when a position request call is received. Press any button to turn it Off.

DSC Individual Alarm

High—pause—high—pause—high. Long pause, then repeat. Press any button to turn it Off.

Weather Alarm

Medium-loud, continuous, medium-pitched series of one-half (½) second beeps spaced one-half (½) second apart — sounds when weather alert is turned **On** and NOAA sends a 1050 Hz weather alert tone on the selected weather channel. Press any button to turn it Off.

Common Radio Functions

The following procedures define common operating functions of the radio when in either **Marine Standby** or **Weather (WX) Standby** modes.

Power/Volume Control

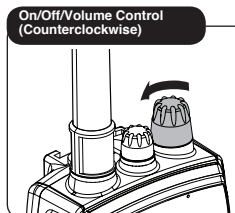
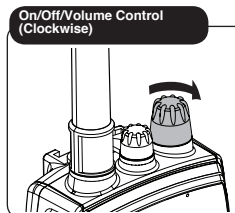
Power On/Off Control

The **On/Off/Volume** control is located at the upper right side of the radio. Turning the **On/Off/Volume** control past the detent position will turn the radio On or Off.

Volume Control

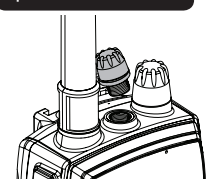
Volume is controlled by turning the **On/Off/Volume** control.

- To increase the volume, turn the **On/Off/Volume** control clockwise.
- To decrease the volume, turn the **On/Off/Volume** control counterclockwise.



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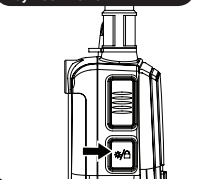
Speaker/Mic Port



Talk Button



Backlight/Flashlight/S.O.S./Key Lock Button



Key Locked Buttons



Key Lock Icon



Radio Speaker and Microphone

The internal **Radio Speaker** and **Microphone** are located on the bottom front face of the radio below the lower control buttons.

An optional **Speaker/Microphone** port is located at the top of the radio between the antenna and the **Power/Volume** control. Unthread the **Speaker/Microphone** port cover to access and install an optional Cobra speaker microphone into this port.



NOTE

Please make sure the port cover is secured and firmly tightened in place when the speaker/microphone is not in use.

Talk Button

Press and hold the **Talk** button to transmit messages. Release the **Talk** button to stop transmitting.

Light/Key Lock Button

To Display the Backlight Momentarily:

Press the **Light/Key Lock** button. The backlight will remain on for 10 seconds. If the backlight is already on, another press of the **Light/Key Lock** button will cycle through the light mode.

To Activate the Flashlight, Strobe and S.O.S. Light:

Press the **Light/Key Lock** button two times to activate the flashlight function. Press again to activate the Strobe function, press a third time to activate S.O.S. signal and a fourth time to turn it off.

Key Lock

To prevent accidental changes to your settings, you can lock most of the buttons.

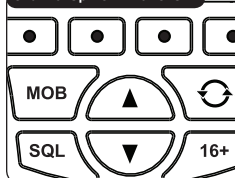
To Lock or Unlock the Buttons:

Press and hold the **Light/Key Lock** button for two (2) seconds. The **Key Lock** icon will appear or disappear in the LCD. When **Key Lock** is On, pressing any of the buttons on the front of the radio will result in a three (3) beep error message and the radio will show "Radio Locked. Hold Lock Key To Unlock".

The **Light/Key Lock** button, the Emergency button and the **Talk** button are active — you can **Receive (Rx)** or **Transmit (Tx)** a message with **Key Lock** On, but you cannot change the channel.

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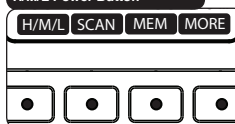
Channel Up/Down Buttons



Currently On Channel 88



H/M/L Power Button



Channel Up/Down Buttons

Your radio will **Receive (Rx)** and **Transmit (Tx)** VHF signals on the channel indicated on the LCD display. You can change the channel at any time using the **Channel Up/Down** buttons.

To Change Channels:

Press the **Channel Up/Down** button.

You can press and hold the **Channel Up/Down** button for fast advance. If the new channel selected is restricted to low power, the radio will automatically switch to **Low Power** mode and the **Low Power** icon will appear on the LCD.

If the radio is in the **Key Lock** mode, the channel will not change and the three (3) beep error signal will sound.

High/Medium/Low (H/M/L) Power Selection

Your radio can transmit selectively at 1, 3 or 6 watts of power. Cobra suggests you maintain the low power setting for short-range communications. You will conserve battery life and avoid overpowering nearby stations with a low power setting signal. Use the high power setting for long-range communications or when you do not receive a response to a signal sent at 1 Watt.

To Toggle Between H-M-L Power Modes:

Press the **MORE** soft key until the screen shows H-M-L. Press the **H-M-L** soft key to set the power 1W, 3W, or 6W. The LCD will show which mode is in effect. Some channels are restricted for a maximum use of 1 Watt. Your radio will automatically set the power to **Low Power** mode when you select those channels.



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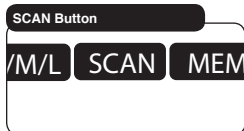
Some channels, frequency bands and countries of use might not be able to operate in **High Power** mode.



NOTE

A few channels are Receive only and will not transmit in these channels.

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SCAN

Press and release the **SCAN** soft key to scan all channels. Scanning begins at the selected lower channel, and scans to higher channels. Press the **Channel Up/Down** button to change the scan direction.

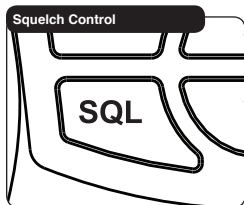
When a signal is received in **SCAN** mode, the radio will pause 10 seconds before resuming **SCAN** operation. The scan will stop on the paused channel and remain there when the **Talk** button is pressed.

If memory channels are saved, press and release the **SCAN** button to scan all memory channels.



NOTE

If even one memory channel is saved, SCAN will only scan memory channels.



Squelch Control

Squelch Control filters weak signals and radio frequency (RF) noise so that you will clearly hear the signals you want.

The **Squelch Control** on this radio is set through the following keypad operation.

To Set Squelch Control:

1. With the power On, press the **SQL** button to access the squelch screen.
2. Press the **Channel Up** and **Channel Down** soft keys to set level. The signal level graphic shows squelch level 1 - 8. Level 1 is recommended.
3. To adjust your squelch, press the **Channel Down** soft key until you hear a hissing sound, then press and release the **Channel Up** soft key until the hissing stops. This will establish a "Baseline" squelch.
4. By pressing the **Channel Up** soft key further, you will filter weak and medium strength signals. By pressing **Channel Down** soft key, you will receive more signals.
5. Press the **Enter** soft key to save this entry and move to the next **Setup** mode programming.



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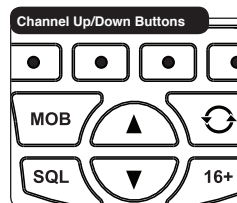
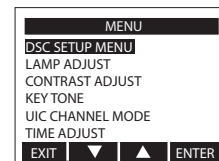
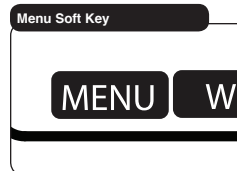
If the **Squelch** is set so that you can hear a continuous hissing sound, the **Memory Scan** and **Tri-Watch** functions will be unusable.

Setup Mode Programming

Set-Up Routines

Settings Menu

The Settings menu in the CobraMarine VHF radio allows you to turn **On** and **Off** many of its features, to adjust other features to suit your preferences, and to enter your user MMSI number.



To Enter The Settings Menu:

Press the **Menu** button.

The Settings **menu** will appear on the LCD.

After entering the Settings **menu**, you can scroll through it to make as many entries as you like.

Whenever the setting selection highlight appears in a feature portion of the menu, the current active setting is highlighted.

When you are finished with changes, you can exit the Settings **menu** by pressing the Exit soft key and return to **Standby** mode.

To Exit The Settings Menu:

Use the **Up/Down** buttons to scroll down to EXIT at the bottom of the menu, or press the Exit soft key to move up through the menu until the radio returns to the **Standby** mode.



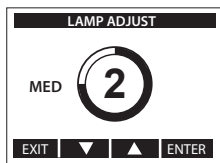
NOTE

Basic set-up routines are described here. For set-up routines that apply specifically to a particular function, they are included in the section for that function.

Setup Mode Programming

Backlight Lamp Adjust

The LCD has a **Backlight** lamp to make it visible in the dark. This lamp can be adjusted for brightness or turned Off.



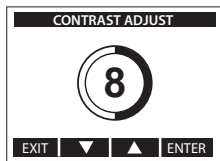
To Adjust The Backlight Level:

1. Enter the **Settings** menu and scroll to LAMPADJUST with the **Up/Down** buttons.
2. Press the **ENTER** soft key and observe the current backlight setting — HIGH, MEDIUM, LOW or OFF.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to switch to the setting you want.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the backlight setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making changes to the backlight setting.



NOTE

Setting the radio to a lower backlight setting will conserve battery power.



LCD Contrast Adjust

The LCD backlight will not be visible in daylight, but the **LCD Contrast** can be adjusted to make it easier to read in different light conditions.

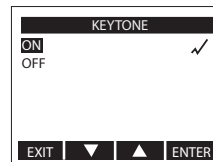
To Change The Contrast:

1. Enter the Settings menu and scroll to CONTRAST ADJUST.
2. Press the **ENTER** soft key and observe the current contrast setting — a number between one 1 and 16.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to change the number up or down.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save a contrast level. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making changes to the Contrast setting.

Setup Mode Programming

Confirmation Key Tone

The **Confirmation Tone** sounds to confirm all button presses except for the **Talk** button. If you would prefer not to hear the **Confirmation Tone**, you can turn it **Off** and **On** as you choose.

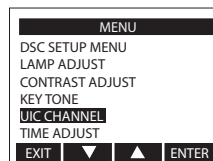


To Turn The Confirmation Tone On Or Off:

1. Enter the **Settings** menu and scroll to KEYTONE.
2. Press the **ENTER** soft key and observe the current confirmation tone setting — ON or OFF.
3. Scroll to the setting you want.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making changes to the Key Tone setting.

U.S.A./International/Canada Channel Maps

Three (3) sets of VHF **Channel Maps** have been established for marine use in the U.S.A., Canada, and the rest of the world (International). Most of the channels are the same for all three (3) maps, but there are definite differences (see table on pages 68 through 83). Your radio has all three (3) maps built into it and will operate correctly in whichever area you choose.



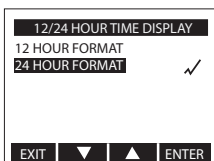
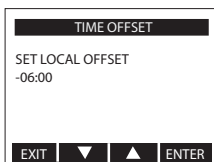
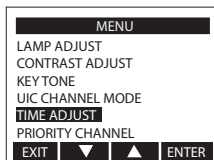
To Set Your Radio For The Area In Which You Will Be Using It:

1. Enter the **Settings** menu and scroll to CHANNEL MODE.
2. Press the **ENTER** soft key and observe the current channel mode setting — USA, INTERNATIONAL, or CANADA.
3. Scroll to the setting you want.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making changes to the Channel Map setting.

Setup Mode Programming

Time Adjust

All VHF, DSC, and GPS activities use a 24-hour clock and Universal Coordinated Time (UTC) which was formerly known as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). Time Adjust uses your built-in GPS to gather time input. **Time Adjust** will allow the radio to display the time as Local time or UTC time. For time input to be converted to local time, you need to enter the hour offset of your local time zone from Greenwich. (See world city time zone chart on page 88). You can also choose to have the time displayed in a 12 or 24 hour format.



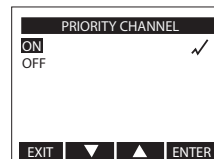
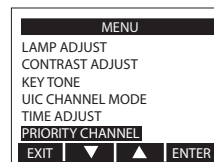
To Change The Time Offset/Adjustment:

1. Enter the **Settings** menu and scroll to TIME ADJUST with the **Up/Down** soft keys or the **Up/Down channel** buttons. Then press Enter.
2. Highlight the **TIME OFFSET** option in the menu.
3. Press the **ENTER** key and observe the current setting.
4. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to change the setting for your local time offset.
5. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making changes to the Local Time offset setting.

To Select 12 or 24 Hour Format/Local Time Display:

1. Enter the **Settings** menu and scroll to TIME ADJUST, then press **ENTER**.
2. Highlight the **Local/Time** option in the menu.
3. Press the **ENTER** key and observe the current setting.
4. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to change the setting for how the radio will display the time (12 Hour or 24 Hour format).
5. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making changes to the time format display setting.

Setup Mode Programming

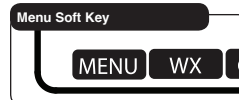
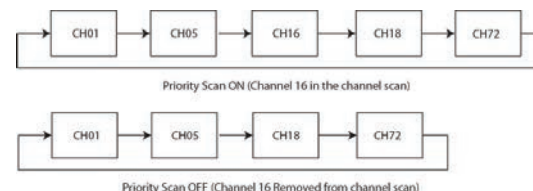


Priority Channel

This setting will allow you to choose whether channel 16 is or is not included when channel scanning.

To Turn The Priority Channel On Or Off:

1. Enter the Settings menu and scroll to PRIORITY CHANNEL.
2. Press the **ENTER** soft key and observe the current priority channel setting — **ON** or **OFF**.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to switch to the setting you want.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making changes to the priority channel setting.



Weather Alert

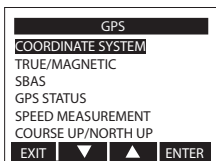
This setting will allow you to choose whether activate the Weather Alert feature.

When NOAA broadcasts a **Weather Alert Signal** and your radio is in the Weather Alert mode, you will hear a continuous audible tone and the radio will automatically switch to **Weather Radio** mode. The alert indicators will sound regardless of what channel you are operating on as soon as a NOAA alert signal is received

To Turn Weather Alert On Or Off:

1. Tap **WX** button.
2. Tap **ALERT** button.
3. The radio will display the Weather Alert Icon to indicate that the Weather Alert is active.

Setup Mode Programming



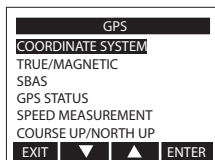
GPS

All VHF Marine radios SHOULD / NEED to have a GPS receiver connected and operating to effectively use the DSC (Digital Selective Calling) features built-in to the radios. In an Emergency you want the rescue authorities and surrounding vessels to know where you are and to be able to quickly assist you in your time of need. Your MR HH600 handheld VHF radio has a GPS receiver built right in!

GPS Menu

This menu allows you to select and configure the GPS receiver options in your radio to be sure that you are receiving satellite information in a format that makes sense to you.

It also allows the user to monitor the satellite acquisition process and GPS signal status.



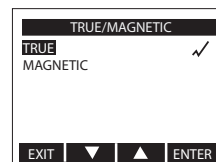
Coordinate System

The **Coordinate System** allows adjusting to your navigating preference. The most common is already selected.

To Select the Coordinate System:

1. Enter the GPS menu and scroll to COORDINATE SYSTEM.
2. Highlight the COORDINATE SYSTEM option in the menu.
3. Press the **ENTER** key and observe the current setting.
4. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to change the setting to use the desired coordinate system.
5. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the EXIT soft key to EXIT without making changes to the Coordinate System setting.

Setup Mode Programming

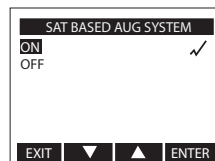
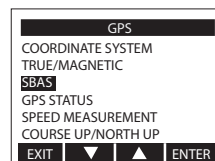


True or Magnetic System

Select **TRUE** or **MAGNETIC** to change if bearings are shown as relative to either true or magnetic north. If **MAGNETIC** is selected then the variation is computed and displayed automatically for every zone.

To Select True or Magnetic System:

1. Enter the GPS menu and scroll to **TRUE** or **MAGNETIC SYSTEM**.
2. Highlight the TRUE/MAGNETIC option in the menu.
3. Press the **ENTER** key and observe the current setting.
4. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to select the desired setting.
5. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making any changes to the True or Magnetic setting.
6. The radio will return to the GPS menu. The radio will remember the True or Magnetic setting when powering off the radio.



Satellite Based Augmentation (SBAS)

The **SBAS** can be turned **ON** or **OFF**. Some areas of the earth need it turned off for greater accuracy. It is set **ON** by default.

To Select the Satellite Based Augmentation System:

1. Enter the GPS menu and scroll to SBAS.
2. Press the **ENTER** key and observe the current setting.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to select the desired setting.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the EXIT soft key to EXIT without making changes to the Sat Based Aug Sys setting.

Setup Mode Programming

GPS Status

This screen allows you to test the GPS receiver to be sure it is receiving good satellite information and GPS signal strength.

To Select the GPS Status Screen:

1. Enter the GPSs menu and scroll to GPS STATUS.
2. Press the **ENTER** key and observe the current setting.
3. The GPS Status screen reports the following information:
 - a. How many satellites are currently being tracked.
 - b. The overall health of the GPS satellite signals being received.
4. Press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT the GPS Status screen.
5. The radio will return to the GPS menu.

Speed Measurement Units

Select **KNOTS**, **MPH** or **KM/H** to change if speed is indicated in either nautical miles per hour, miles per hour or kilometers per hour.

To Select Speed Measurement Units:

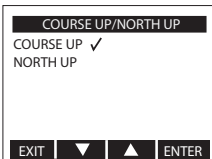
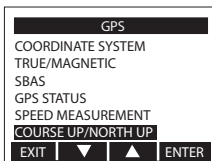
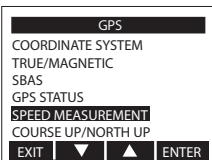
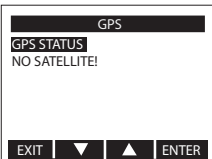
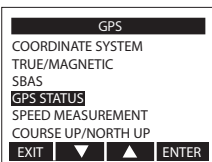
1. Enter the GPS menu and scroll to SPEED MEASUREMENT.
2. Press the **ENTER** key and observe the current setting.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to select the desired setting.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making any changes to the Speed Measurement setting.

Course Up or North Up Option

This allows selecting either **COURSE UP** or **North Up**. This changes the orientation of compass and navigation screens. With NORTH UP selected the North will always appear at the top of the screen. With COURSE UP selected the direction of travel appears at the top of the screen.

To Course Up or North Up Option:

1. Enter the GPS menu and scroll to COURSE UP/NORTH UP.
2. Press the **ENTER** key and observe the current setting.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to select the desired setting.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making any changes to the Speed Measurement setting.



Setup Mode Programming

Distance Measurement

Select **STATUTE MILE**, **NAUTICAL MILE** or **KILOMETER** to change the unit used to display distance. This is used mainly for navigation and indicating distance to a point.

To Distance Measurement Units:

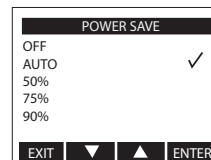
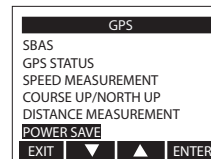
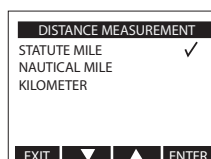
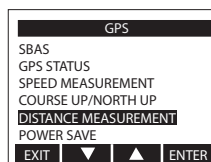
1. Enter the GPS menu and scroll to DISTANCE MEASUREMENT.
2. Press the **ENTER** key and observe the current setting.
3. Scroll to desired setting.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making any changes to the Distance Measurement setting.

Power Save Mode for GPS

This menu offers several Power Save modes. This feature will save power by shutting down the GPS receiver periodically to save power and prolong battery life. The most common setting is AUTO and it is recommended to leave the radio in AUTO for most users.

To Select Power Save Mode:

1. Enter the GPS menu and scroll to POWER SAVE.
2. Press the **ENTER** key and observe the current setting.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to select the desired setting.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the setting. Or press the **EXIT** soft key to EXIT without making any changes to the Power Save setting.



Standby/Receive and Transmit

Marine Standby and Receive (Rx) Mode

Marine Standby mode is the default mode for the radio whenever it is turned on. From this mode, you can change default settings by becoming familiar with the different key functions in **Marine Standby** mode. While in **Marine Standby** mode, the user will be able to transmit by pressing the **Push to Talk (Talk)** button. Signals in **Receive (Rx)** mode will be received on the selected channel(s), and WX alerts broadcasted by NOAA will be received on the corresponding NOAA weather channels in your area.



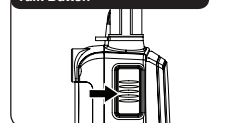
NOTE

Coast Guard safety alerts are broadcast on Channel 16. You must have the **WX Alert** enabled to receive NOAA weather alerts. While in **Marine Standby** mode, you will receive any voice messages sent on the channel to which you are tuned.

Check Channel Number



Talk Button



Transmit Mode



Receive Mode



Transmit (Tx) Mode

Transmit (Tx) mode gives you the ability to interact with safety services, other vessels and shore stations. When you use this capability, be sure to follow the procedures and to observe the courtesies that govern its use so everyone benefits. See the Appendix to help you select the proper channels.

To Transmit a Message:

1. Check to see that your radio is set to a proper channel for the type of message you plan to send.
2. Select the desired **Low, Med or High Power** setting.
3. With the microphone about 2 in. [51 mm] from your mouth, press and hold the **Talk** button and speak into the microphone. The **Transmit** icon will appear on the LCD.
4. Release the **Talk** button when you are finished speaking. Your radio can only operate in either **Transmit (Tx)** or **Receive (Rx)** mode at any given time. You will not hear the response to your message unless the **Talk** button is released.

Weather Mode Programming

Weather (WX) Alert Programming

NOAA Weather Channels and Alert

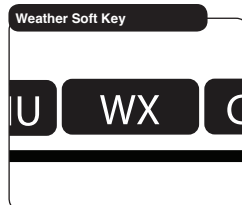
Monitoring the weather will probably be a frequent use of your radio. NOAA provides continuous, around-the-clock broadcasts of the latest weather information. Taped weather messages run every four (4) to six (6) minutes and are revised every two or three hours, or as needed. The Coast Guard also announces weather and other safety warnings on Channel 16. Smart boaters keep an eye on safety and an ear to the radio — and never let the weather catch them unaware.

NOAA Emergency Weather Alert

In the event of a major storm or other weather condition requiring vessels at sea or on other bodies of water to be notified, NOAA broadcasts a 1050 Hz tone that receivers such as your CobraMarine VHF radio can detect and warn you of a weather alert condition. When the Weather Alert mode on your radio is set to On, this signal will produce a loud tone from the speaker in the radio and will automatically switch to the alerting weather channel so the alert broadcast can be heard.

NOAA Test Alert System

To test this system, NOAA broadcasts the 1050 Hz signal every Wednesday sometime between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. in each local time zone. Any receiver that can detect the weather alert tone may use this service to verify that this system is functioning properly.



Weather (WX) Standby Mode

To enter the **WX Standby** mode, press the **WX** soft key.

The **Weather Standby Mode** will show the currently selected weather channel and the **Weather Alert** setting status as On or Off. Press the Back soft key to return to VHF Radio Standby.

NOAA broadcasts weather information on the channels as described in the NOAA weather channels section on page 85 of this manual.

The following items will be displayed on the LCD display:



NOTE

Only one or two of the weather channels will be operating in any given location [only in **Receive (Rx)** mode]. You will need to select the channel with the strongest signal in your location.

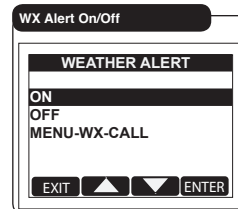


NOTE

When in the **WX Alert** mode, and NOAA sends the 1050 Hz alert tone, the radio will sound a series of loud beeps regardless of the volume control setting.

Weather Mode Programming

This setting will allow you to choose to activate the Weather Alert feature. When NOAA broadcasts a Weather Alert Signal, and your radio has Weather Alert turned On, you will hear a continuous audible tone and the radio will automatically switch to Weather Radio mode. The alert indicators will sound regardless of what VHF channel you are operating on as soon as a NOAA alert signal is received.



Short Cut to WX Alert On or Off Select:

1. From the **Standby** screen, press the **WX** soft key.
2. Press **ALERT** soft key to switch **WX Alert** to On or Off.
3. Press **BACK** soft key to return to radio mode.



Call Log and Distress Log

Call Log functions similarly to the Caller ID function on your telephone. It will capture the caller's MMSI identification number and any other data included in a DSC message.



NOTE

Each **Call Log** memory can hold up to 20 messages. Once the memory becomes full, each new call will erase the oldest call information on a first-in, first-out basis.



NOTE

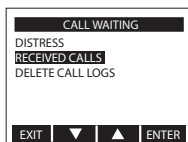
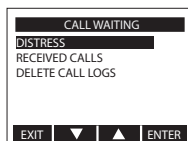
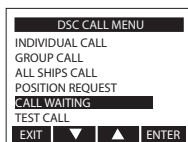
The **Envelope** Icon will be displayed when calls are received and placed into any of the call logs.



- The envelope icon will be shown closed to indicate unread messages.
- The envelope icon will be shown open to indicate that all messages have been read.

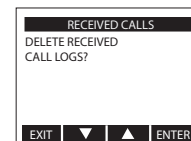
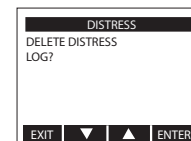
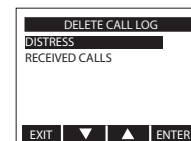
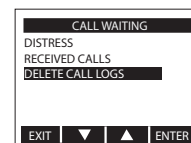
To Review Call Log Messages Received While In DSC Standby Mode:

1. Press the **CALL** soft key and scroll to **CALL WAITING** and press the **ENTER** soft key.
2. Scroll to highlight **DISTRESS LOG** or **RECEIVED CALLS** logs and press **ENTER**.
3. Scroll to highlight a log entry.
4. Press the **ENTER** key to view the log entry.
5. Press the **EXIT** soft key to exit **CALL WAITING** and return the radio to the **DSC CALL LOGS** Menu.



To Delete Call Log Information:

1. Press the **CALL** soft key and scroll to **CALL WAITING** and press the **ENTER** soft key.
2. Scroll to highlight **DELETE CALL LOGS** and press **ENTER**.
3. Scroll to highlight **DISTRESS** or **RECEIVED CALLS** log entry and press **ENTER**.
4. Confirm delete by pressing the **ENTER** key.
5. Press the **EXIT** soft key to exit **CALL WAITING** and return the radio to the **DELETE CALL LOGS** Menu.



Navigation

This radio features a NAV function that allows the user to perform basic Navigation options such as:

- Create (NEW) Waypoints by entering Latitude & Longitude information manually.
- Navigate to saved Waypoints (WPT).
- Navigate to (DST) Distressed Call locations that included GPS coordinates.
- Navigate to MARK locations (MRK)
- Edit or Delete Waypoints listed in the Waypoint Directory (DIR).



To create a NEW Waypoint entering Latitude & Longitude information:

1. Press the **MORE** soft key until the NAV soft key option appears on the screen.
2. Press the NAV soft key then press the NEW soft key.
3. Use the Up/Down buttons to scroll through the alphabet and the **ENTER** soft key to select the letters spelling your Waypoint name.
4. Use the Up/Down buttons to scroll through the LAT: LONG: numbers and the **ENTER** soft key to make your selection and advance to the next digit.
5. Choose a Waypoint Number to reference during Navigation.
6. Press the **ENTER** soft key to Save your Waypoint information or **EXIT** to cancel.



NOTE

Pressing the Enter soft key repeatedly will advance the cursor to the next character. If you skipped or wish to edit a letter or number use this symbol (<) to move the cursor back to previous character.

MARK

Allows the user to **MARK** his current location as a (MRK) Waypoint. The radio automatically saves Latitude & Longitude information to (WPT) Waypoint list.

To MARK a location:

1. Press the **MORE** soft key until the **MARK** soft key option appears on the screen.
2. Press the **MARK** soft key.
3. Use the Up/Down buttons to scroll through the alphabet and the **ENTER** soft key to select the letters spelling the name of your Waypoint. Press **ENTER** when done.
4. The radio will save the current location information into the (WPT) Waypoint list using the MRK prefix.



NOTE

For this feature to work properly the radio **MUST** have a good satellite signal.

To use the NAVIGATION feature:

1. Press the **MORE** soft key until the NAV soft key option appears on the screen.
2. Press the **NAV** soft key to access the Navigation menu.
3. Choose your destination from **WPT** list or enter a **NEW** one then press **ENTER**.
4. A dot representing the selected Waypoint will appear within the compass area and your Bearing, Speed, Distance and Waypoint number will be listed on the left side of the screen.
5. Start moving your vessel in the direction of the Dot to get updated Speed and Distance readings.
6. As your distance to the destination Waypoint decreases, the dot will get closer to the center of the compass.
7. Once the dot reaches the center of the compass, you have reached the general area of your Waypoint.



NOTE

Your vessel **MUST** be moving and the radio **MUST** have a good satellite signal in order to show the correct bearing in relation to the waypoint.



NOTE

For absolute best GPS accuracy, make sure the **Power Save** is **OFF** and the **SBAS** is **ON** under the GPS menu.

DIR:

The **WAYPOINT DIRECTORY** allows the user to **Add**, **Edit** or **Delete** Waypoints. To **ADD** a new Waypoint follow instructions on how to create NEW Waypoint.

To Edit or Delete Waypoints:

1. Press the MORE soft key until the NAV soft key option appears on the screen.
2. Press the NAV soft key to access the Navigation menu.
3. Press the DIR soft key to access the Waypoint Directory.
4. Scroll through the list and highlight desired Waypoint then press the ENTER soft key.
5. Select Edit or Delete then press the ENTER soft key to save your changes or press the Exit soft key to cancel.

MOB (Man Over Board)

Your radio features the Man Over Board function that marks and memorizes the position information if a crew member falls overboard. The radio will help to navigate back to that location.



NOTE

The radio can't calculate for the effects of tide, current and wind on your crew member's location over time. The MOB function can only act as a guide for their possible location.



NOTE

The radio **MUST** have satellite reception for MOB to mark the position information.

- Press the MOB button. The radio will save that MOB location. Pressing the NAV soft key activates the navigation screen to be able to navigate quickly to the MOB location.
- From the MOB screen, press the **Enter** soft key and radio's screen will prompt to send a DSC emergency call. See detailed instructions for Digital Selective Calling (DSC) on page 52 for more information.



NOTE

Activating the MOB function does not send an emergency call.

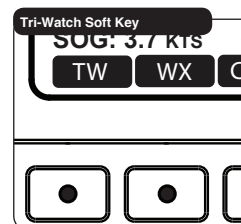
Tri-Watch

Tri-Watch gives you one (1) soft key access to scan the three (3) channels of most importance to you. Channel 16 and Channel 9 will always be included as scanned channels. The remaining channel will be the VHF channel selected when you enter **Tri-Watch** mode.



NOTE

The radio must be squelched for tri-watch to function. See page 16 for squelch procedure.



To Enter Tri-Watch Mode:

1. In **Standby** mode, use the **Up/Down** buttons to go to the channel you want to add as the third location to be scanned.
2. Tap the **MORE** soft key.
3. Press the **TW** soft key.
 - a. To exit Tri-Watch, press the **TW** softkey or the **TALK** button. The radio will return to **Standby** mode on the selected third Tri-Watch channel.

If you do not press any buttons, your radio will automatically resume scanning tri-watch channels when the incoming transmission is complete.



Channel 16+ Mode

Channel 16+ mode gives you quick access to calling on Channel 16 and Channel 9 from any operational mode.

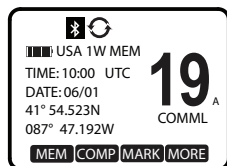
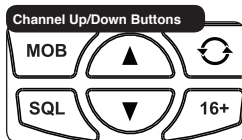
To Switch to Channel 16+ or Channel 9:

1. Press the **Channel 16+** button to change to Channel 16.
2. Press the **Channel 16+** button again to change to Channel 9.
3. Press the **Channel 16+** button a third time and return to the last used channel.

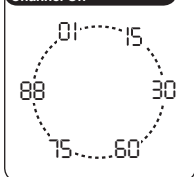
Advanced Operation

Memory Channels

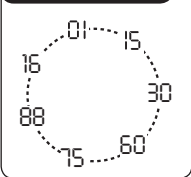
You can program (or tag) any or all channels to be scanned in the **Memory Scan** mode.



Scanning with Priority Channel Off



Scanning with Priority Channel On



To Program Memory Channels:

1. From **Standby** mode, select a channel to be tagged using the **Up/Down** buttons.
2. Press the **MORE soft key** (if necessary), then the **MEM soft key**. The channel will be tagged for scanning and **MEM** (memory channel) will appear on the LCD whenever that channel is selected.

Repeat steps 1 through 2 to add additional memory channels.

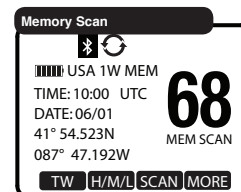
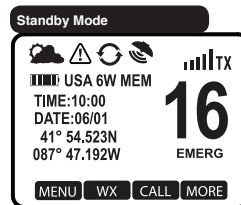
To Clear Memory Channels:

1. Simply reverse the steps above. **MEM** (Memory Channel) will no longer appear on the LCD whenever that channel is selected.

Memory Scan

During **Memory Scan**, the radio will rapidly switch from tagged channel to tagged channel. Whenever any activity is detected, the radio will stop the scan to allow you to listen to the activity on that channel. The radio will then continue to scan after 2 seconds of inactivity, unless you switch out of the **Memory Scan** mode.

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NOTE

Memory channels must be programmed to use memory Scan. The radio will enter standard Scan Mode if no memory Channels are programmed.



NOTE

The radio must be squelched for the **Memory Scan** mode to function. See page 16 for squelch procedure.

To Enter Memory Scan:

From **Standby** mode, press the **MORE soft key** (if necessary), then the **SCAN soft key**.

The radio will immediately begin to scan the channels you tagged. **MEM SCAN** will be highlighted on the LCD.

To exit Memory Scan, press the **SCAN soft key** or **Talk Button**. This will return the radio to **Standby** mode on the last selected channel.

Rewind Operation

Rewind-Say-Again® Feature

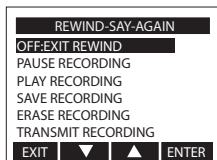
The radio has a Cobra exclusive playback feature, **Rewind-Say-Again®**. This feature allows you to replay the last 20 seconds of an incoming audio transmission. It also allows you to record call details including position coordinates, call signs, registration numbers and store details that will help authorities locate a distressed vessel.

Example 1:

When engine noise, music or conversation creates too much noise to hear an inbound message clearly, press the **Rewind-Say-Again®** button to enter the **Rewind-Say-Again®** menu to be able to hear the message a second time. This feature eliminates asking the sender to repeat the message.

Example 2:

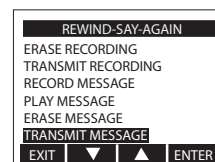
When listening to an urgent distress of an excited caller with confusing background noise, press the **Rewind-Say-Again®** button to enter the **Rewind-Say-Again®** menu to be able to hear the message a second time and get lifesaving information.



Operation of Rewind-Say-Again®

1. From the Standby mode, press the **Rewind** soft key after the last inbound audio transmission. The last recording will immediately start to play back.
2. Using the **Up/Down buttons** scroll to the **PLAY RECORDING** menu option.
3. Press the **ENTER** soft key to hear the recording again.
4. The radio automatically replays the last 20 seconds of the previous audio transmission.
5. Press the **Rewind** key a second time to exit the Rewind menu and return to Standby mode.

Rewind Operation



Setup and Advanced Operation of Rewind-Say-Again® Operation of Rewind-Say-Again®:

1. **Rewind** is set to ON by default. The Rewind icon will appear on the Standby screen when Rewind is on (see illustration).
 - a. **To Turn REWIND Off** - press the **Rewind** key to enter the Rewind-Say-Again menu. With **OFF: Exit REWIND** selected, press the Enter soft key to exit and turn OFF the Rewind function.
 - b. **To Turn REWIND ON** - press the **Rewind** key to enter the Rewind-Say-Again menu. With **OFF: EXIT REWIND** highlighted, press the Rewind key. This turns on Rewind and exits to VHF Standby mode.

The Rewind-Say-Again function also has several advanced options. In addition to the recording of an incoming transmission the user can also record a personal message for playback later. This could be useful for navigation, emergency or vessel operation information if a pen and paper are not available or practical. The options available are:

2. **PAUSE RECORDING** - Pause recording of incoming audio transmissions.
3. **PLAYBACK RECORDING** - Playback recorded incoming audio. This can be used to repeat the playback again.
4. **SAVE RECORDING** - Saves recorded incoming audio.
5. **ERASE RECORDING** - Erases the saved recording.
6. **TRANSMIT RECORDING** - Transmit recorded message.
7. **RECORD MESSAGE** - Record a message (using the microphone to record the message, using the PTT key to start and stop the recording).
8. **PLAY MESSAGE** - Playback the recorded message.
9. **SAVE MESSAGE** - Save the recorded message.
10. **ERASE MESSAGE** - Erases the saved message.
11. **TRANSMIT MESSAGE** - Transmit the recorded message.

Bluetooth® Mode Pairing and Programming

Bluetooth® wireless technology is a standard which has been developed for use in mobile phones and other devices. This process of linking your mobile phone and this radio requires a one-time “pairing” after which the two devices can be “connected” when they are within range. When connected, this radio can act as the speaker and microphone of your mobile phone while your phone is stowed in a safe and dry location.

This programming section shows you how to complete the pairing process. It also shows you how to change some settings related to the Bluetooth functionality of your radio.

Bluetooth On/Off

This setting allows you to turn On and Off the small Bluetooth module inside this VHF radio. The default setting is OFF. Turning it Off can save some power. It can easily be switched On at any time.

1. From the **Standby** screen, press the **MORE** soft key until the **Bluetooth** soft key icon appears.
2. Press the **Bluetooth** icon soft key.
3. Press the **Channel Up/Down** soft keys to select Bluetooth and then press **Enter**.
4. Press the **Channel Up/Down** soft keys to select **On** or **Off**. Then press **ENTER**.
5. If set **ON**, the radio will go to discover mode as long as it's not already connected to a mobile phone.

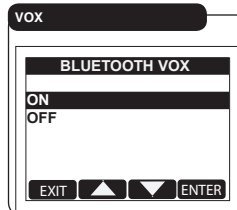
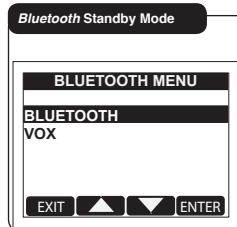
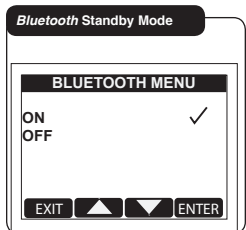
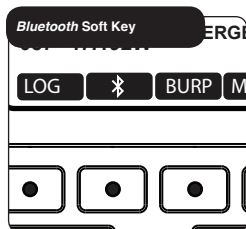


NOTE

This process only needs to be completed for first time operation. From then on, as long as your mobile phone is within 30 feet (10 meters) of the radio, the two units will “Connect” automatically.

Pairing Your Mobile Phone:

1. If **Bluetooth** is turned on, the MR HH600 is automatically ready to pair to your mobile phone.
2. Open the **Bluetooth** setting on your mobile phone and look for a new device called “MR HH600”.
3. Select “MR HH600” on your mobile phone and wait to connect. If prompted use the code “0000”.
4. You are now connected and ready to use hands-free calling.



VOX On or Off

The **VOX** function converts the radio microphone's pickup of your voice from being controlled with the **PTT** button to being always open. When **VOX** is On, the **PTT** button does not need to be pressed to transmit your voice, and you can just speak into the microphone.

When **VOX** is Off, you need to press the **PTT** button while speaking.

To Change Between VOX On and Off:

1. From the **Standby** screen, press the **MORE** soft key until the **Bluetooth** soft key icon appears.
2. Press the **Bluetooth** icon soft key.
3. Press the **Channel Up/Down** soft keys to select **VOX** and press **Enter**.
4. Press the **Channel Up/Down** soft keys to select **On/Off** and press **ENTER**.

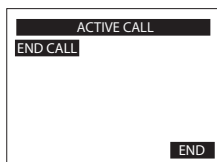
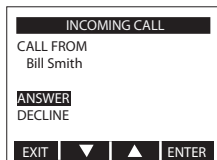
Mobile Phone Operation with *Bluetooth®*



NOTE

Please refer to the **Bluetooth Mode Pairing and Programming** section on page 28 for instructions on how to pair your mobile phone with this device. The following section covers how to complete a phone call and other basic operations.

Answer Incoming Phone Calls



This handheld radio, once properly paired and connected to your Bluetooth® compatible mobile phone, can answer incoming calls received on your mobile phone. It can act as the speaker and microphone, while your mobile phone stays safe and dry. It will also improve audio quality on both ends of the conversation.

To Answer and End an Incoming Call:

1. The speaker will ring. The screen will display **ANSWER/DECLINE** and the caller ID, if available.
2. Press and release the **ENTER** soft key to answer the call. After the call is answered, the screen will display **ACTIVE CALL**.
3. Begin conversation with the caller by a pressing the **PTT** (Push to Talk) key and speaking into the small microphone above the LCD. This is very similar to a standard radio operation and it completely eliminates all background noise when you are not speaking.



NOTE

To enable hands-free conversation or “**VOX**” mode (pressing in the **PTT** key not required), see the Bluetooth setup instructions on page 29.

4. To end a call, press and release the **END** soft key. The radio will then return to previous **Standby** mode and resume normal operation.

Initiate a Phone Call

There are several ways to initiate a call. These include initiating (as normal) from the mobile phone, using voice dialing and last number redial.

To Initiate from the Mobile Phone

1. Simply dial a number on your mobile phone.
(See manufacturer's instructions for making a call.)
When the phone's **Send** key is pressed, the radio will respond by changing over to **Bluetooth** mode and the matrix will display **ACTIVE CALL** and the option to **END**.

Using Voice Dial

This feature allows you to use your voice to dial a contact from the contact list on your mobile phone.

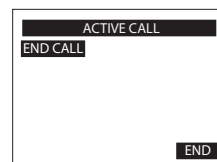
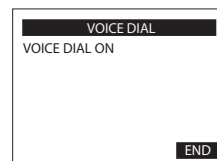
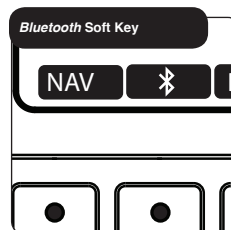


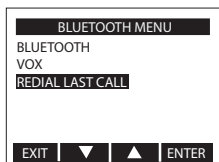
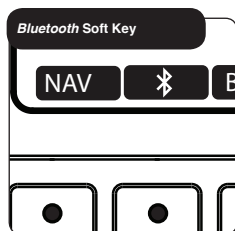
NOTE

Voice dialing is an advanced function and may not be supported by all phones. Cobra suggests you set it up and become familiar with it on your mobile phone before you attempt using it in conjunction with the radio or another Bluetooth device.

To Initiate a Voice Dial Call:

1. Tap the **MORE** soft key until the Bluetooth soft key icon appears.
2. Press and hold the **Bluetooth** soft key from **VHF** mode. This will initiate the voice dial feature on the connected mobile phone.
3. You will hear a beep or audio command from the phone and the radio will show **VOICE DIAL ON**. Press and hold the **PTT** (Push to Talk) button and speak the command into the radio.
4. The mobile phone will begin to dial the contact it “recognizes.” The call will be completed through the speaker and microphone of the radio.
5. Hang up by pressing the **END** soft key when you complete your call.





Last Number Redial

This feature allows you to redial the last number stored in the mobile phone's Call Log. This feature is supported by most mobile phones.

To Initiate a Last Number Redial:

1. Tap the **MORE** soft key until the Bluetooth soft key icon appears.
2. Press and release the **Bluetooth** soft key to enter the **Bluetooth** menu.
3. Press the **Channel Up/Down** soft key to select **REDIAL LAST CALL**.
4. Press **ENTER** soft key to redial.
5. The connected mobile phone will redial the last number. The call will be complete through the speaker and microphone of the radio.
6. Hang up by pressing the **END** soft key when you complete your call.

To Disconnect (At the End of the Day)

You might not want to take your calls through this VHF radio once you are back at the dock or in a dry location. See the instructions in the **Bluetooth Mode Programming** section on page 38 for instructions on how to turn Off the **Bluetooth** function of the radio.



NOTE

If switched to Off setting, then the radio will not reconnect with mobile phone on power up. The two devices will remain paired, but they will not connect until Bluetooth is turned back On again from the **Bluetooth Programming** mode.

General *Bluetooth* Operation and Frequently Asked Questions

■ What is the Industry Standard Range for Bluetooth® Wireless Technology?

The industry standard range for Bluetooth wireless technology is 30 feet (10 meters). The radio will lose its pairing with the mobile phone if the mobile phone and the radio are separated farther than this. The radio will automatically reconnect with the mobile phone when the user comes back into range.

■ How many phones can the radio pair with?

The radio can be paired with up to 8 mobile phones. However, it can only connect and operate with one mobile phone at a time.

■ Do I need to have my mobile phone with me?

Yes, the phone call is actually completed through your mobile phone and your mobile phone operator/carrier. The mobile phone must be within the 30 feet (10 meters) range of the radio. The radio does not increase the offshore range of your mobile phone.

■ Can I use a standard Bluetooth® headset with this radio?

No, the radio is using the headset profile of the Bluetooth specification to pair with your mobile phone. It cannot pair to another Bluetooth headset.

■ Can I use this unit as a speakerphone or hands-free device?

Turning on VOX allows you to use the radio without pressing the PTT (Push to Talk) button. The radio will still need to be operated in a face held position with the microphone close to the mouth. This radio uses a noise canceling microphone, and it will not operate well from the belt clip or another hands-free position.

■ Please make sure to note your VOX setting.

If VOX is set to On, then the receiving caller might hear conversation and noise in your background. This setting is retained in memory. If switched On, then it will be On the next time the radio is switched On and connected.

■ Should I use my mobile phone for emergency situations on the water?

No, Cobra does not endorse cellular telephones as a substitute for marine radios. They generally cannot communicate with rescue vessels and, if you make a distress call on your cellular telephone, only the party you call will be able to hear you.

Additionally, cellular telephones may have limited coverage over water. If you do not know where you are, the Coast Guard will have difficulty finding you if you are using your cellular telephone. However, cellular telephones can have a place onboard where cellular coverage is available – to allow social conversations and keep the marine frequencies uncluttered and available for their intended use.

Floating Feature

Floating Radio



Floating Radio

This radio is designed to float if dropped overboard. The flashing light at the bottom of the radio will activate as soon as it makes contact with water and the orange center makes it visible and easy to retrieve. This rugged radio is also designed to meet JIS8 (IPX8) specifications. This means it's designed to operate properly after being submerged in more than one meter deep water for 30 plus minutes.



NOTE

The radio must be turned on for the strobe light to operate.



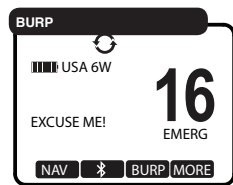
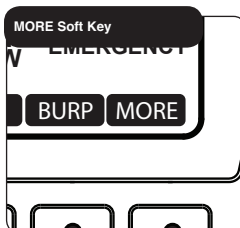
NOTE

Do not leave the radio floating in water permanently. This could cause premature corrosion of the battery contacts and other damage.



NOTE

The radio is only designed to float with its included Lithium-ion battery. Using other approved batteries might cause the radio to sink. This includes the optional AA battery tray.



Burp Feature

Cobra's **Burp** feature allows the operator to expel water from inside the speaker grill. This is especially useful if the radio is dropped overboard or during extreme foul weather conditions. In these conditions, water can become trapped in the speaker grill and muffle the audio.

To Activate Burp:

1. Press the **MORE** soft key until the **BURP** soft key appears then tap the BURP soft key.
2. The **Burp** tone(s) at maximum level will sound from the internal speaker for eight seconds.
3. During this time, the matrix will display **EXCUSE ME!**.
4. Hold the radio with the speaker grill down to help the water drain out.
5. After an 8-second interval, the radio will return to standby.

Maintenance and Troubleshooting

Maintenance

Very little maintenance is required to keep your CobraMarine VHF radio in good operating condition:

- Keep the radio and charger clean by wiping with a soft cloth and mild detergent. Do not use solvents, harsh or abrasive cleaners, which could damage the case or scratch the LCD screen.
- If the radio is exposed to salt water, wipe with a soft, moist cloth at least once a day to prevent buildup of salt deposits, which could interfere with button operation.
- If the radio will be stored for a long period, such as over the winter, remove the batteries from the battery tray and store them in a separate package. This is especially important if you are using alkaline batteries.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause(s)	Solution(s)
No display on LCD when radio is turned On	Batteries are exhausted Batteries not installed properly	Recharge or replace batteries Remove batteries and reinstall according to polarity markings
Batteries run down quickly	Batteries are at the end of their life	Replace with new batteries
Will transmit at one (1) or three (3) watts, but not at six (6) watts	Batteries are low Selected channel is limited to one (1) watt	Recharge or replace batteries Switch to another channel
Will not transmit	Selected channel is limited to receive only	Switch to another channel
No sound from speaker	Volume level is too low or squelch level is too high	Re-adjust volume and squelch
No response to button press	Button Lock is On	Press Backlight/Key Lock button



VHF Marine Radio Procedures

VHF Marine Radio Procedures

Maintain Your Watch

Whenever your boat is underway, the radio must be turned On and be tuned to Channel 16 except when being used for messages.

Power

Try 1 watt first, if the station being called is within a few miles. If there is no answer, switch to 3 watts and call again. You have the ability to go up to 6 watts of output power to increase your calling distance. Remember, the lower wattage outputs will conserve your battery and minimize interference to other users.

Calling Coast Stations

Call a coast station on its assigned channel. You may use Channel 16 when you do not know the assigned channel.

Calling Other Vessels

Call other vessels on Channel 16 or on Channel 9. (Channel 9 is preferred for recreational vessel use.) You may also call on ship-to-ship channels when you know that the vessel is listening on a ship-to-ship channel.

Initial Calling on Channel 16 or 9

The use of Channel 16 is permitted for making initial contact (hailing) another vessel. The limits on calling must be followed. Be reminded, Channel 16's most important function is for Emergency Messages. If for some reason, Channel 16 is congested, the use of Channel 9, especially in U.S. waters, may be used as the initial contact (hailing) channel for non-emergency communication.

Limits on Calling

You must not call the same station for more than 30 seconds at a time.
If you do not get a reply, wait at least two (2) minutes before calling again.
After three (3) calling periods, wait at least 15 minutes before calling again.

Change Channels

After contacting another station on a calling channel, change immediately to a channel which is available for the type of message you want to send.

Station Identification

Identify, in English, your station by your FCC call sign (if available), vessel name and the state registration number, at both the beginning and at the end of the message.



VHF Marine Radio Procedures

Prohibited Communications

You **MUST NOT** transmit:

- False distress or emergency messages.
- Messages containing obscene, indecent or profane language.
- General calls, signals or messages (messages not addressed to a particular station) on Channel 16, except in an emergency or if you are testing your radio.
- When you are on land.



Voice Calling

You are required to listen to Channel 16 while standing by. Channel 16 is the distress and safety channel used for establishing initial contact with another station and for emergency communication. The Coast Guard also monitors Channel 16 for safety purposes for everyone on the water.



NOTE

Channel 9 may be used by recreational vessels for general-purpose calling. This frequency should be used whenever possible to help relieve congestion on Channel 16. The Coast Guard generally does not make urgent marine information broadcasts or weather warnings on Channel 9. Boaters are still asked to “keep watch” on Channel 16 whenever the radio is turned on and not in use with another station.

To call another vessel or shore installation (e.g, lock or bridge tender):

- Make sure the radio is On.
- Make sure you are in standby listening mode on Channel 16. Make sure Channel 16 is not in use.
- When the channel is open (quiet), press the **Talk** button and call a vessel. Hold the radio or microphone several inches from your face and speak clearly and distinctly in a normal voice tone. Say “name or station being called,” “THIS IS [your vessel name or call sign].”
- Once contact is made, you must leave Channel 16 and go to another working channel. See channel listing on page 70.

For Example

The vessel Corsair calling the vessel Vagabond:

Corsair: “Vagabond, this is Corsair (station license number call sign).”

Vagabond: “Corsair, this is Vagabond. Over.”

Corsair: “Vagabond go to working Channel 68. Over.”

Both parties switch over to the agreed upon working channel...

Corsair: “Vagabond I need to talk to you about... Over.”

Vagabond: “Corsair in answer to your question about... Over.”

Corsair: “Vagabond, thanks for the information about... (call sign and **out**).”

After each transmission, say “OVER” and release the microphone Push to Talk (PTT) button. This confirms that the transmission has ended. When all communication with the other vessel is totally completed, end the message by stating your call sign and the word “OUT.” Remember, it is not necessary to state your call sign with each transmission, only at the beginning and end of the message.



NOTE

For best sound quality at the shore station or other vessel receiving your call, hold the microphone/speaker at least 2 in. (51 mm) from your mouth and slightly off to one (1) side. Speak in a normal tone of voice.



NOTE

For best sound quality at the station you are calling, hold the microphone on the front of the radio at least 2 in. (51 mm) from your mouth and slightly off to one (1) side. Speak in a normal tone of voice.



NOTE

“Over and Out”

The most commonly misused procedure words are “over and out” within the same transmission. “Over” means you expect a reply. “Out” means you are finished and do not expect a reply.



WARNING

The device complies with RF specifications when the device used at 25mm from your front face and 0mm from your body, Maximum SAR Value (10g): 3.54 W/Kg.



Digital Selective Calling (DSC)

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Digital selective calling is a semi-automated system for establishing a radio call. It has been designed by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) as an international standard for VHF, MF, and HF calls and is part of the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS).

The DSC system allows boaters to instantly send a distress call with GPS position coordinates to the Coast Guard and other vessels within range of the transmission. DSC also allows boaters to initiate and receive distress, urgent, safety, routine, position request, position send, and group calls between vessels equipped with DSC capable radios.

Digital selective calling — **DSC** — employs digital RF signals which tend to carry further and be less susceptible to distortion from noise and atmospheric conditions than analog ones. The result is greater range and more reliable message delivery per watt of output power.

But, that is not the only advantage of DSC equipped radios. These radios are set up to interface with GPS and to automate many of the operations involved in sending and receiving messages. That results in more compact and accurate messages and less congestion of the airwaves.

The price of these benefits to the user is the time it takes to do the required set-up to make the DSC features work. A little time spent when your radio is new will pay dividends over its life.



Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI)

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The MMSI Number Is Available In The U.S.A. From Any Of Two (2) Sources:

- U.S. Power Squadron www.usps.org
- Boat U.S. – www.getmmsi.com



NOTE

The above references are for recreational vessels only. Commercial vessels should contact the FCC.

An MMSI is a nine digit number used on a marine radio capable of using digital selective calling (DSC). It is used to selectively call other vessels or shore stations and is similar to a telephone number.

For your CobraMarine™ radio to operate in the **DSC** mode, you must enter your maritime mobile service identity (MMSI) number. See page 55 for instructions on how to enter it.

In Canada, Contact:

- Industry Canada Spectrum Management Office (only available on the Internet): www.ic.gc.ca and search for “MMSI”.

To Obtain An MMSI Number Outside The U.S.A.:

Users can obtain an MMSI from their country's telecommunications authority or ship registry. This may involve amending or obtaining a ship station license.



WARNING

This equipment is designed to generate a digital maritime distress and safety signal to facilitate search and rescue. To be effective as a safety device, this equipment must be used within communication range of a shore-based VHF marine channel to distress and safety watch system. The range of the signal may vary.



Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI)

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User MMSI Number

The nine digit MMSI number, similar to a telephone number, is a unique identifier for a vessel. DSC incorporates this number into every message that is Sent (Tx) or Received (Rx). Enter the MMSI number as soon as you receive your MMSI number from the issuing agency.



NOTE

The radio does not operate in the DSC mode until an official MMSI number is entered. An error tone will sound when attempting to operate in the DSC mode without an MMSI number.



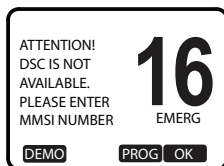
NOTE

An MMSI number can only be entered one time. To enter a new MMSI number, please contact Cobra customer service at 773-889-3087



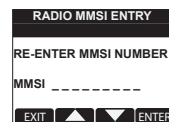
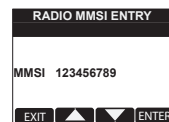
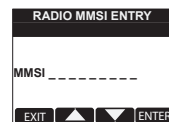
NOTE

An alert tone and message will sound each time you try and use DSC until an MMSI is programmed.



Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI)

Operating Your Radio



To Enter Your MMSI Number:

1. Enter the Settings menu and scroll to DSC SETUP menu.
2. Press the **ENTER** soft key and scroll to **RADIO MMSI ENTRY**.
3. Press the **ENTER** soft key. The blinking cursor will appear at the first digit under **RADIO MMSI ENTRY**.
4. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to scroll through the number list to the first digit of your number.
5. Press the **ENTER** soft key to select the digit and the blinking cursor will move to the next digit of the number.
6. Repeat steps 3 and 4 until all nine (9) digits of your MMSI number are entered.
7. Check that you have entered the number correctly. The radio will ask you to re-enter your number to confirm.
8. Press **ENTER** soft key to save the MMSI number and the radio will return to the DSC SETUP MENU.



NOTE

After the MMSI number has been entered, the **RADIO MMSI ENTRY** menu option will move to the bottom of the DSC SETUP MENU. This is done because the MMSI entry is entered only once.

If You Incorrectly Enter Your MMSI Number

YOU CAN DO THIS ONLY ONCE! You will have to contact Cobra Electronics (see product service on page 66 for details) for reset before you can enter a new MMSI number into the radio.

Because the MMSI number is so important to DSC operation, this limitation is imposed on all DSC capable radios to prevent constant changes and the potential introduction of errors in the process.



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Operating Your Radio

If You Transfer Your Radio To A Different Vessel

Contact the MMSI issuing agency from which you obtained your number to provide the new information associated with your number that corresponds to the vessel in which it will be mounted.

RADIO MMSI

MMSI 123456789

EXIT

To View Your MMSI Number At Any Time:

1. Enter the **DSC SETUP MENU** menu and scroll to **RADIO MMSI ENTRY**.
2. Press the **ENTER** button and the already entered number will be displayed.
3. Press the **EXIT** soft key to return to the **DSC SETUP MENU**.

Individual Directory

DSC calling allows you to call another vessel or station directly if you know its MMSI number. Your CobraMarine VHF radio allows you to store up to twenty names and their associated MMSI numbers for quick access.

To Enter Or Edit Names And MMSI Numbers In The Directory:

1. Enter the **DSC SETUP MENU** and scroll to **INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORY** then press **ENTER**.
2. Select the **ADD** option in the menu. Press the **ENTER** soft key to add a new Name and MMSI number.
3. The cursor will begin to blink at the first character under **ADD NAME**.
4. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to scroll through the character list.
5. Press the **ENTER** soft key to select a character. This will also move the blinking cursor to the next character.
6. Repeat steps 4 and 5 to enter additional characters — up to a maximum of eleven — for the name.
7. After entering the name, press the **ENTER** soft key to move the blinking cursor to the first character under **MMSI**.
8. Repeat steps 4 and 5 until the nine digit MMSI is entered.
9. Press the **ENTER** soft key to save the entry.
10. Press **ADD** to enter another name/MMSI number entry, or highlight the entry just entered and press the **ENTER** soft key to edit or delete the current entry, or press the **EXIT** soft key to return to the **DSC SETUP MENU**.

DSC SETUP MENU

RADIO MMSI ENTRY

INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORY

GROUP MMSI

POSITION REPLY

AUTO CHANNEL SWITCH

INDIVIDUAL CALL REPLY

EXIT

INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORY

ADD

EXIT

INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORY

ADD NAME

MMSI

EXIT

INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORY

ADD NAME

FRIENDS BOAT

MMSI 123456789

EXIT

INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORY

FRIENDS BOAT

ADD NAME

EXIT



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Operating Your Radio

Group MMSI Number

Nautical organizations such as yacht clubs and the organizers of events such as regattas can establish **Group MMSIs**. These allow a message to be sent automatically to all members of the group without having to call each one individually.

Each member of the group must enter the group MMSI number in his radio in order to receive group messages.

DSC SETUP MENU

RADIO MMSI ENTRY

INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORY

GROUP MMSI

POSITION REPLY

AUTO CHANNEL SWITCH

INDIVIDUAL CALL REPLY

EXIT

GROUP MMSI DIRECTORY

ADD

EXIT

GROUP MMSI DIRECTORY

ADD NAME

MMSI

EXIT

GROUP MMSI DIRECTORY

ADD NAME

BOAT GROUP

MMSI 036612345

EXIT

GROUP MMSI DIRECTORY

BOAT GROUP

ADD

EXIT

To Enter A Group MMSI Number:

1. Enter the **DSC SETUP MENU** and scroll to **GROUP MMSI** then press **ENTER**.
2. Select the **ADD** option in the menu. Press the **ENTER** soft key to add a new Name and MMSI number.
3. The cursor will begin to blink at the first character under **ADD NAME**.
4. Use the **buttons** to scroll through the character list.
5. Press the **ENTER** soft key to select a character. This will also move the blinking cursor to the next character.
6. Repeat steps 4 and 5 to enter additional characters — up to a maximum of eleven — for the name.
7. After entering the name, press the **ENTER** soft key to move the blinking cursor to the second character under **MMSI** (the first digit of a Group MMSI number always starts with a 0).
8. Repeat steps 4 and 5 until the nine (9) digit MMSI is entered.
9. Press the **ENTER** button to save the entry.
10. Select **ADD** to enter another name/MMSI number entry, or highlight the entry just entered and press the **ENTER** soft key to edit or delete the current entry, or press the **EXIT** soft key to return to the **DSC SETUP MENU**.



NOTE

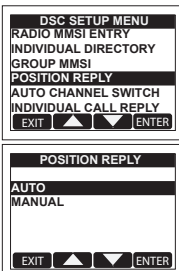
The group MMSI is established by modifying the MMSI assigned to one (1) of the group members. The last digit of that member's MMSI number is dropped and a zero (0) is inserted at the beginning. For example, member MMSI number 366123456 becomes group MMSI number 036612345.

Group MMSIs can be entered and changed any number of times without the need to have your radio reset

Position Request Reply Type

The ability to send your position to another station is an added feature of DSC radios that have GPS. It is handy for rendezvous and rescue situations.

Your CobraMarine VHF radio allows you to choose whether to have the radio automatically respond to all **Position Requests** it receives or to alert you to a **Position Request** and allow you to choose whether to respond or not — manual reply.

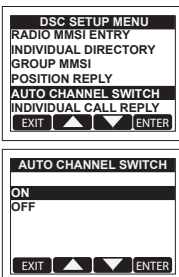


To Set The Position Request Reply Type:

1. Enter the **DSC SETUP MENU** menu and scroll to **POSITION REPLY**.
2. Press the **ENTER** soft key and observe the current highlighted setting — **AUTO** or **MANUAL**.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to select the desired setting.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to select the setting and return to the **DSC SETUP MENU**.

Auto Channel Switch

This setting allows your radio to automatically switch to the requested channel when receiving an Individual Call. In some cases, automatically switching channels may not be wanted, especially if the radio is being used for Bridge to Bridge communications in a busy port or waterway.

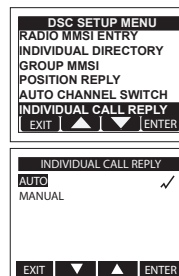


To Set The Automatic Channel Switch On or Off:

1. Enter the **DSC SETUP MENU** menu and scroll to **AUTO CHANNEL SWITCH** (Automatic Channel Switch).
2. Press the **ENTER** soft key and observe the current highlighted setting — **ON** or **OFF**.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to select the desired setting.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to select the setting and return to the **DSC SETUP MENU**.

Individual Call Reply

The Individual Call Reply feature is used when receiving Individual DSC calls. When receiving a Individual DSC Call, you may not want the radio to reply to the call automatically. This setting allows you to disable the automatic reply.

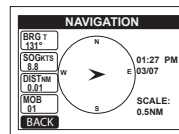


To Set The Individual Reply Auto or Manual:

1. Enter the **DSC SETUP MENU** menu and scroll to **INDIVIDUAL CALL REPLY**.
2. Press the **ENTER** soft key and observe the current selected setting — **AUTO** or **MANUAL**.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to select the desired setting.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to select the setting and return to the **DSC SETUP MENU**.

Manual Position Entry

The Manual position entry feature allows you to enter the time (UTC time), Latitude and Longitude.



To Enter the Time, Latitude, and Longitude:

1. Enter the **DSC SETUP MENU** and scroll to **MANUAL ENTRY**.
2. The cursor will begin to blink at the first number of the UTC time entry.
3. Use the **Up/Down** buttons to scroll through the number list.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to select a number. This will also move the blinking cursor to the next number under UTC Time.
5. Repeat steps 3 and 4 to enter additional numbers.
6. After entering the UTC time, press the **ENTER** soft key to move the blinking cursor to the first number under **LAT (Latitude)**.
7. Repeat steps 3 and 4 until the seven digit of the LAT is entered.
8. After entering the LAT (Latitude), press the **ENTER** soft key to move the blinking cursor to the first number under **LON (Longitude)**.
9. Repeat steps 3 and 4 until the eight digit of the LON is entered.
10. Press the **ENTER** button to save the entry and the radio will return to the **DSC SETUP MENU**.

MENU EXIT: You can exit the menu at any time by pressing the **EXIT** soft key on any screen. This method will exit to the previous highest menu. Repeated presses of the **EXIT** soft key will return the radio to standby mode.



Receiving Distress Calls

When a vessel is within range of a DSC Distress call, the radio receives the call, sounds the **Distress** alarm, and switches to Channel 16. All DSC calls that are received will sound one alarm. See pages 12-13 for descriptions of the different alarms. Press any button to turn Off the alarm. The received call information continues to display on the LCD.

```
DISTRESS RECEIVE
NOT ACKNOWLEDGED
MMSI: 123456789
RECEIVED: 0:34
STOP ALRM ANY KEY
```

```
DISTRESS RECEIVE
NOT ACKNOWLEDGED
MMSI: 123456789
RECEIVED: 0:34
OK | QUIT | PAUS | INFO
```

When A Distress Call Is Received:

1. Press any button to turn Off the alarm.
2. Read and write down the distress information that displays on the LCD (position data may or may not be shown); then determine whether to answer the call.
3. Respond, if appropriate, by pressing and holding the **Talk** button to transmit on Channel 16.
4. The received information is placed into the **Call Log**. See page 30 for more information on viewing the **Call Waiting Log**.
5. If MMSI (Maritime Mobile Service Identify) matches a contact from the **Individual Directory** entry stored in your radio, the name identification displays and the alarm sounds to identify the **Name** of the matching MMSI member.
6. Press **EXIT** after viewing the display to return to normal **Standby** mode.



NOTE

The radio automatically switches to Channel 16 upon receiving a DSC Distress call and the alarm will sound for approximately two minutes. Press any button to clear the **Distress** alarm instantly.

Regarding Distress Relay Calls

This radio cannot send Distress Relay calls. Only large ships and shore stations, with specially equipped radios, can send Distress Relay calls.

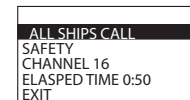
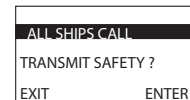
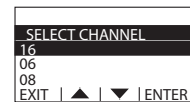
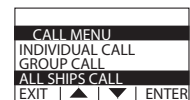
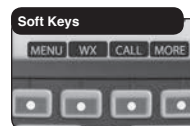
Receiving Distress Relay Calls

This radio does respond to a Distress Relay call just as it responds to a regular Distress call.



Sending An All Ships Calls

Use the DSC All Ships call for the same urgency and safety purposes as the Pan and Securite voice calls as well as sending Routine messages to all stations at once. The DSC All Ships call reaches all stations in radio range. Use the DSC All Ships call for urgent, but not life-threatening situations or to broadcast a safety warning to all vessels in the area.



To Send An All Ships Call:

1. Press the **CALL** soft key and scroll to **ALL SHIPS CALL** and press the **ENTER** soft key.
2. Select either **SAFETY** or **URGENCY** and press the **ENTER** soft key.
3. Scroll to select the voice channel all radios will tune to after the All Ships message is sent and press the **ENTER** key.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to send the **All Ships Call**.
5. The radio will tune to the voice channel previously selected.
6. Press the **EXIT** soft key to exit the All Ships Call mode and return the radio to the idle screen.



Receiving An All Ships Call

All Ships calls received from stations within range of the radio sound the Distress alarm and switch the radio to Channel 16.



When An All Ships Call Is Heard:

1. Press any button to turn **Off** the alarm.
2. Read and write down the MMSI of the vessel sending the call as well as the date and time of the call.
3. Listen to the incoming voice message on the channel the radio selects for the incoming All Ships call.

Sending A Geographical Call

This radio does not send Geographical calls. Only large ships and shore stations with specially equipped radios send Geographical calls.



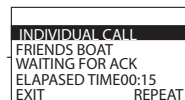
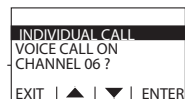
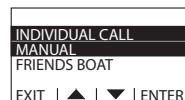
Sending An Individual Call

Use the DSC Individual call feature to request communication with one exclusive station. The DSC Individual call does not alert all other stations within range.



To Send An Individual Call:

1. Press the **CALL** soft key and scroll to **INDIVIDUAL CALL** and press the **ENTER** soft key.
 2. Scroll to highlight a previously entered directory entry or use the **MANUAL** entry option.
 3. Press the **ENTER** key.
 4. Scroll to select the voice channel all radios will tune to after the Individual Call message is sent and press the **ENTER** key.
 5. Press the **ENTER** soft key to send the Individual Call.
 6. The radio will tune to the voice channel previously selected.
 7. Press the **EXIT** soft key to exit the Individual Call mode and return the radio to the idle screen.
- If the radio called sends back an automatic DSC response “able to comply,” the individual alarm will sound. Wait for a voice message from the called station.
 - If an “unable to comply” response or no reply is received, the radio display asks to resend the message or exit the menu. At the **Unavailable** menu, Press **REPEAT** or **EXIT** soft keys.
 - If **REPEAT** is selected, the radio restarts the individual call.
 - If **EXIT** is selected, the radio will return to the Call Menu.



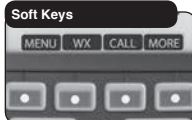


```
INDIVID RECEIVE
FRIENDS BOAT
NOT REPLIED
RECEIVED: 0:15
STOP ALRM ANY KEY
```

```
INDIVID RECEIVE
FRIENDS BOAT
CONNECTED
CONNECT TIME ---
RSND QUIT
```

Sending A Group Call

Sending a Group call is like sending an Individual call, but the group MMSI information is used and the resend and DSC responses do not apply. See pg. 41 for creating and entering a group MMSI.



```
GROUP CALL
MANUAL
BOAT GROUP
EXIT | ▲ | ▼ | ENTER
```

```
SELECT CHANNEL
06
08
09
EXIT | ▲ | ▼ | ENTER
```

```
GROUP CALL
VOICE CALL ON
CHANNEL 06 ?
EXIT ENTER
```

```
GROUP CALL
BOAT GROUP
WAITING FOR ACK
ELAPSED TIME00:15
EXIT REPEAT
```

```
GROUP CALL
BOAT GROUP
CONNECTED
ELAPSED TIME00:32
EXIT
```

Receiving An Individual Call

When another station makes an Individual call to your radio:

- The Individual alarm sounds.
- The caller is identified on the LCD.
- If **Automatic Channel Switch** is on, the radio switches to the channel selected by the caller.
- Call information is placed in the **Call Log**.

To Answer An Individual Call:

Press the **Talk** button and greet the caller.

To Send A Group Call:

1. Press the **CALL** soft key and scroll to **GROUP CALL** and press the **ENTER** soft key.
2. Scroll to highlight a previously entered directory entry or use the **MANUAL** entry option.
3. Press the **ENTER** key.
4. Scroll to select the voice channel all radios will tune to after the Group Call message is sent and press the **ENTER** key.
5. Press the **ENTER** soft key to send the Group Call.
6. The radio will tune to the voice channel previously selected.
7. Press the **EXIT** soft key to exit the Group Call mode and return the radio to the idle screen.

- All radios switch to the channel selected in step 1. Press and hold the **Talk** button to send a voice message to everyone in the group.
- Anyone in the group can transmit on the channel.



Receiving A Group Call

When another station makes a Group call to the radio, the **Individual** alarm sounds, the caller is identified on the LCD, call information is placed in the **Call Log**, and the radio is switched to the channel selected by the caller, similar to an Individual call. Press any button to turn Off the alarm.

```
GROUP RECEIVE
BOAT GROUP
RECEIVED: 0:19
TYPE: ROUTINE
STOP ALRM ANY KEY
```

```
GROUP RECEIVE
BOAT GROUP
RECEIVED: 0:24
TYPE: ROUTINE
OK | QUIT | PAUS
```

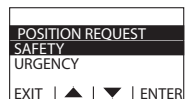
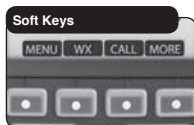
To Answer A Group Call:

1. Listen for the group voice message.
2. Press the **Talk** button and respond only if appropriate.



Sending A Position Request

Position Request mode enables a DSC radio to obtain the position (latitude and longitude) of a station that has a GPS device connected to the DSC radio at that station. In most cases, a reply will be forthcoming. If for some reason, your request is not acknowledged in five (5) minutes, the user will be prompted to Resend the request or exit the menu.

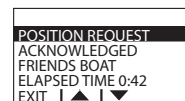


To Request The Position Of Another Station:

1. Press the **CALL** soft key and scroll to **POSITION REQUEST** and press the **ENTER** soft key.
2. Scroll to highlight a previously entered directory entry or use the **MANUAL** entry option.
3. Press the **ENTER** key.
4. Press the **ENTER** soft key to send the Position Request Call.
5. The radio will show the **WAITING FOR ACK** screen while waiting for the acknowledgement from the called radio. And will show the **ACKNOWLEDGED** screen after the called radio responds.



Sending A Position Request (continued)



6. After the called radio acknowledges the call, use the **Down** soft key to view the called radios current position.
7. Press the **EXIT** soft key to exit the Position Request mode and return the radio to the Call Menu.



NOTE

Your radio will send the **Position Request** and there will be one of three possible responses:

- You will receive the position.
- You will receive a no position data response, meaning the station you queried is not connected to a **GPS** device and cannot send its position.
- You will receive a no reply response, meaning the operator of that station has chosen not to reply to your request.

If You Receive A Position:

The requested position with the station name and MMSI will show on your screen. Press the **Enter** button to return to **Standby** mode after you have noted the station's position.



NOTE

If the radio is connected properly to your chartplotter, you will see the requested position of the other vessel indicated on the display.



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Receiving A Position Request

When you went through the DSC set-up process, you set a position request reply type. (See page 58 to change your setting.) Depending on the setting you chose, when a **Position Request** message is received, your radio will enter either:

- The **Auto Reply** mode.
- The **Manual Reply** mode.

POSITION REPLY
FRIENDS BOAT
REPLIED: 0:23
QUIT

When The Radio Is In Auto Reply Mode:

A position request will sound the **Position Request** alarm and show the name of the requesting station on the LCD. Your radio will automatically respond. It will send your position.

Press any button to silence the alarm and exit the display.

When The Radio Is In The Manual Reply Mode:

A position request message will sound the **Position Request** alarm and show the name of the requesting station. You can choose to:

- Reply and send your position.
- Exit without sending your position.

If You Choose to Reply with Your Position:

1. Press the **ENTER** soft key.

If You Choose Not to Reply with Your Position:

2. Press the **EXIT** soft key.

Receiving A Position Send

When another station sends you its position, the **Individual Alarm** will sound and the station's name and position will be shown on the LCD. Press any button to turn **Off** the alarm and return to **Standby** mode.



Radiotelephone Calls

Radiotelephone Calls

Boaters may make and receive radiotelephone calls to and from any number on the telephone network by using the services of public coast stations. Calls can be made — for a fee — between your radio and telephones on land, sea and in the air. See the Appendix for the public correspondence (marine operator) channels.

If you plan to use these services, consider registering with the operator of the public coast station that you plan to work through. These services can provide you with detailed information and procedures to follow.



NOTICE

You may disclose privileged information during a radiotelephone call. Keep in mind that your transmission is **NOT** private, as it is on a regular telephone. Both sides of the conversation are being broadcast and can be heard by anyone who has a radio and tunes to the channel you are using.



Emergency Messages and Distress Procedure

VHF Marine Radio Protocols

Emergency Messages and Distress Procedure

The ability to summon assistance in an emergency is the primary reason to have a VHF marine radio. The marine environment can be unforgiving and what may initially be a minor problem can rapidly develop into a situation beyond your control.

The Coast Guard monitors Channel 16, responds to all distress calls, and coordinates all search and rescue efforts. Depending on the availability of other capable vessels or commercial assistance operators in your vicinity, Coast Guard or Coast Guard Auxiliary craft may be dispatched.

In any event, communicate with the Coast Guard as soon as you experience difficulties and before your situation becomes an emergency. Use the emergency Distress message procedures only after your situation has become grave or you are faced with a sudden danger threatening life or property and requiring immediate help. Use Channel 16 to communicate your emergency message. Make sure you transmit on high power. If you are merely out of gas, do not send an emergency message. Drop your anchor and call a friend or marina to bring the fuel you need or to give you a tow.

Marine Emergency Signals

The three spoken international emergency signals are:

MAYDAY

The distress signal **MAYDAY** is used to indicate that a vessel is threatened by grave and imminent danger and requests immediate assistance.

PAN

The urgency signal **PAN** is used when the safety of the vessel or person is in jeopardy. (This signal is properly pronounced pahn.)

SECURITE

The safety signal **SECURITE** is used for messages about the safety of navigation or important weather warnings. (This signal is properly pronounced see-cure-ee-tay.)

When using an international emergency signal, the appropriate signal is to be spoken three times prior to the message.

If You Hear a Distress Call

You must give any message beginning with one of these signals priority over any other messages. ALL stations MUST remain silent on Channel 16 for the duration of the emergency unless the message relates directly to the emergency.

If you hear a distress message from a vessel, stand by your radio. If it is not answered, YOU should answer. If the distressed vessel is not nearby, wait a short time for others who may be closer to acknowledge. Even if you cannot render direct assistance, you may be in a position to relay the message.



Emergency Messages and Distress Procedure

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Marine Distress Procedure

Speak slowly — clearly — calmly.

1. Make sure your radio is On.
2. Select Channel 16.
3. **Press Talk button and say:**
"MAYDAY — MAYDAY — MAYDAY."
(Or "PAN — PAN — PAN,"
or "SECURITE — SECURITE — SECURITE.")
4. **Say:**
"THIS IS [your vessel name or call sign]," repeated three (3) times.
5. **Say:**
"MAYDAY (or "PAN" or "SECURITE")
[your vessel name or call sign]."
6. **Tell where you are:**
(what navigational aids or landmarks are nearby).
7. State the nature of your distress.
8. State the kind of assistance needed.
9. Give number of persons aboard and conditions of any injured.
10. Estimate present seaworthiness of your vessel.
11. Briefly describe your vessel (length, type, color, hull).
12. **Say:**
"I WILL BE LISTENING ON CHANNEL 16."
13. **End message by saying:**
"THIS IS [your vessel name or call sign]. OVER."
14. Release **Talk** button and listen. Someone should answer.
If not, repeat the call, beginning at step 3 above.

Keep the radio nearby. Even after your message has been received, the Coast Guard can find you more quickly if you can transmit a signal for a rescue boat to hone in on.



Emergency Messages and Distress Procedure

For Example

"Mayday — Mayday — Mayday"
 "This is Corsair — Corsair — Corsair" (or "IL 1234 AB")
 "Mayday Corsair (or IL 1234 AB)"
 "Navy Pier bears 220 degrees magnetic — distance 5 miles"
 "Struck submerged object and flooding — need pump and tow"
 "Four (4) adults, three (3) children aboard — no one injured"
 "Estimate we will remain afloat one-half hour"
 "Corsair (or IL 1234 AB) is 26 ft sloop with blue hull and tan deck house"
 "I will be listening on Channel 16"
 "This is Corsair (or IL 1234 AB)"
 "Over"



NOTE

It is a good idea to write out a script of the message form and post it where you and others on your vessel can see it when an emergency message needs to be sent.

Marine Distress Procedure – DSC

Digital Selective Calling (DSC) is a semi-automated system that will allow you to press the **Distress** button from any routine to send a distress message. When the distress button is pressed, all other channels go to **Standby** mode and allow the digitally encoded "pre-programmed" message to take precedence. Important information such as your MMSI number, position and name will be transmitted on Channel 16.



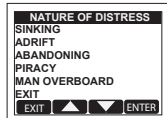
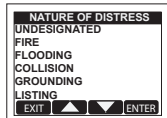
The distress alarm will sound for two (2) minutes or until the alarm is cleared.

The DSC system allows you to choose a "pre-programmed" Distress message. There are many pre-programmed messages to choose from.

To Send a Distress Message

1. Press the Distress button.
2. Scroll to choose a "pre-programmed" message and press **ENTER**.
3. Press and hold the Distress button for 3 seconds.

Your coordinates will also be sent to the Coast Guard as well as to other vessels that are within range of the transmission.



WARNING

This radio will generate a digital maritime distress and safety signal to help facilitate search and rescue. This radio must be used within communication range of a shore based VHF station with a distress and safety watch system. The range of the signal may vary.



Warranty and Trademark Acknowledgement

**General**

Number of Channels	All U.S., Canadian, International and NOAA Weather Channels
Channel Spacing	25 kHz
Modulation	5 kHz Max.
Input Voltage	7.4 VDC
Battery Life: 5% TX, 5% RX, 90% Standby	LiON: 10 hours @ 6 watts
Current Drain: Standby Receive (Rx) Transmit (Tx)	45 mA 200 mA 1.8 A @ High Power, 700 mA @ Low Power
Temperature Range	-20°C to 40°C
Radio Dimensions	5.71" H X 2.83" W X 1.87" D (131mm X 72mm X 47mm) not including antenna
Radio Weight	0 lbs, 11.6 oz. (329 g) with LiON battery

Receiver

Frequency Range	156.050 to 163.275 MHz
Receiver Type	Double Conversion Super-Heterodyne
Sensitivity: 12 dB Sinad	-120 dBm
Adjacent Channel Selectivity	-60 dB
Intermodulation and Rejection	-70 dB
AF Output	250 mW @ 8 Ohms

Transmitter

Frequency Range (Tx):	156.025 to 157.425 MHz
RF Output Power	1, 3 or 6 Watts Max (5 Watts rated)
Spurious Emissions	-60 dB
Microphone Type	Condenser
Frequency Stability	±5 ppm
FM Hum and Noise	40 dB

GPS

Receiver	56 channels
Hot: Nominal: < 1 second, Limit: +/- 5 seconds Cold: Nominal: < 35 second, Limit: +/- 10 seconds	Warm Nominal: < 33 second, Limit: +/- 5 seconds Update Rate: Up to 5 Hz
Antenna Type	Internal patch antenna
GPS receiver first lock sensitivity	Nominal: -148dBm
GPS receiver tracking sensitivity	Nominal: -165dBm
Differential System Compatibility	WAAS (United States), EGNOS (Europe), MSAS (Japan)
NMEA Info: Output Specification Electrical Standard NMEA Sentences	NMEA 0183- ASCII serial output EIA-422 GGA, GLL, GSA, GSV, RMC, VTG, ZDA

Bluetooth®

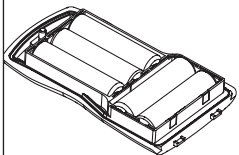
Classification	Class 2
Version	4.1
Range	10 Meters

Optional Accessories

Accessories

Your Cobra radio has several optional accessories available to enhance the use of the radio. Some are listed below:

Alkaline Battery Tray



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A special alkaline battery tray (P/N CM 110-035) is available as an optional accessory to have as an emergency backup. By using five (5) high-quality AA alkaline batteries, you can have a spare battery backup source for your radio.



NOTE

Alkaline batteries are not rechargeable.

Lapel Speaker/Microphone

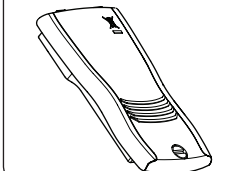


Lapel Speaker/Microphone

A speaker/microphone that attaches to your lapel. Part number CM 330-001.

This unique accessory allows you to wear the radio on your belt while still being able to communicate with other vessels. A small Push to Talk (PTT) button on the lapel speaker/microphone allows you to answer any incoming call.

LiON Battery Pack



LiON Battery

LiON replacement battery (P/N CM 110-034).

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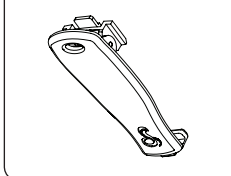


Antenna

Replacement Antenna P/N CM 300-002.

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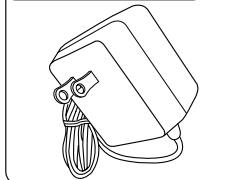
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Belt Clip

Replacement Belt Clip P/N CM 240-003

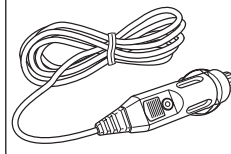
AC Charger



AC Charger

Replacement AC Charger P/N CM 120-007

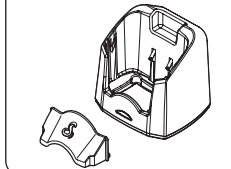
DC Charger



DC Charger

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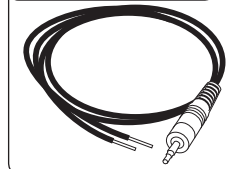
Drop-In Battery Charger



Drop-In Battery Charger

Replacement Drop-In Charger P/N CM 110-032

NMEA Output Cable



NMEA Output Cable

P/N CM 140-003