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## SDS100 Owner's Manual

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## **USING THIS MANUAL**

This manual describes the functions and features of your scanner. It assumes that you know the basic structure of radio systems and how they work. Just as a car owner's manual does not teach you how to drive, this manual does not teach you about radio systems. There are many resources for learning about radio systems, including wiki articles, forum discussions, and YouTube videos. We encourage you to start at [RadioReference.com](http://RadioReference.com)'s discussion forums.

# IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## THE FCC WANTS YOU TO KNOW

**IMPORTANT!** This scanner has been manufactured so that it will not tune to radio frequencies assigned by the FCC for cellular telephone usage. The Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 1986, as amended, makes it a federal crime to intentionally intercept cellular or cordless telephone transmissions or to market this radio when altered to receive them. Installation, possession, or use of this scanner in a motor vehicle may be prohibited, regulated, or require a permit in some states, cities, and/or local jurisdictions. Local law enforcement officials can provide you with information regarding the laws in your community.

## MODIFICATION NOTICE

Changes or modifications to this product not expressly approved by Uniden, or operation of this product in any way other than as detailed by this Users Guide, could void your authority to operate this product.

**Warning:** Modification of this device to receive cellular radiotelephone service signals is prohibited under FCC Rules and Federal Law.

## PART 15 INFORMATION

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation.

This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

.This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

This device complies with Industry Canada license-exempt RSS standard(s). Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device. In Canada, a radio license must be obtained prior to possession and use of this scanner receiver.

Le présent appareil est conforme aux normes CNR d'Industrie Canada applicables aux appareils radio exempts de licence. L'exploitation est autorisée aux deux conditions suivantes : (1) l'appareil ne doit pas produire de brouillage, et (2) l'utilisateur de l'appareil doit accepter tout brouillage radioélectrique subi, même si le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.



## GENERAL PRECAUTIONS

Before you use this scanner, please read and observe the following:

### Earphone Warning

You can use an optional 32Ω stereo headset or earphone with your scanner. Use of an incorrect earphone or headset might be potentially hazardous to your hearing. The output of the phone jack is monaural, but you will hear it in both headphones of a stereo headset.

Set the volume to a comfortable audio level coming from the speaker before plugging in the earphone or headset. Otherwise, you might experience some discomfort or possible hearing damage if the volume suddenly becomes too loud because of the volume control or squelch control setting. This might be particularly true of the type of earphone that is placed in the ear canal.

### Liquid Exposure Warning

Uniden does not represent this unit to be waterproof. It is water resistant to JIS level 4. To reduce the risk of damage to this product, minimize exposure of this unit to rain or moisture. This product is not warranted against water damage

## SCANNING LEGALLY

Your scanner covers frequencies used by many different groups, including police and fire departments, ambulance services, government agencies, private companies, amateur radio services, military operations, pager services, and wireline (telephone and telegraph) service providers. It is legal to listen to almost every transmission your scanner can receive. However, there are some transmissions that you should never intentionally listen to. These include:

- Telephone conversations (cellular, cordless, or other private means of telephone signal transmission).
- Pager transmissions.
- Any scrambled or encrypted transmissions

According to the Electronic Communications Privacy Act (ECPA), you are subject to fines and possible imprisonment for intentionally listening to, using, or divulging the contents of such a conversation unless you have the consent of a party to the conversation (unless such activity is otherwise illegal). This scanner has been designed to prevent the reception of cellular telephone transmissions and the decoding of scrambled transmissions. This is done to comply with the legal requirement that scanners be manufactured so they are not easy to modify to pick up these transmissions. Do not open your scanner's case to make any modifications that could allow it to pick up transmissions that are illegal to monitor. Modifying or tampering with your scanner's internal components or using it in a way other than as described in this manual could invalidate your warranty and void your FCC authorization to operate it. In some areas, mobile and/or portable use of this scanner is unlawful or requires a permit. Check the laws in your area. It is also illegal in many areas (and a bad idea everywhere) to interfere with the duties of public safety officials by traveling to the scene of an incident without authorization.

## AVIS D'INDUSTRIE CANADA

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brouillage radioélectrique qu'il reçoit, même se le brouillage est susceptible d'en compromettre le fonctionnement.

Une version française de ce guide d'utilisation est disponible sur le site Web d'Uniden au : [www.uniden.com](http://www.uniden.com).

- Sur le site d'Uniden, sélectionnez " Support", puis " Owner's Manuals".
- Au menu déroulant de sélection des produits, choisissez "Scanners".
- Sélectionnez le modèle et cliquez sur le drapeau canadien.
- La version française du guide d'utilisation de ce modèle.

## INTRODUCTION

The Uniden SDS100 is a digital TrunkTracker communications receiver that incorporates the HomePatrol database of all known radio systems in the USA and Canada. Programming it can be as simple as entering your zip code. Its True I/Q™ receiver provides for improved digital performance in challenging RF environments. Built to JIS4 standards, it is rugged and weather resistant. Its customizable color display allows instant access to the information you want to see.

### HOW DOES THE HOMEPATROL® DATABASE WORK?

When you set your location, the scanner selects channels near that location. If you enter your zip code, the scanner searches within a 20 mile radius of the center of that zip code. If you use the Auto Locate feature, that range increases to 30 miles. If you manually enter your location or connect an optional GPS receiver, your scanner will select channels that apply to your precise location. You can adjust the selection range from 0 to 50 miles.

The database is updated weekly from RadioReference, the most comprehensive repository of radio system available. Updating the radio database in your SDS100 is as simple as connecting it to your PC and running the included Sentinel software.

### WHAT YOU HEAR

Your scanner has over 10,000 police, fire, ambulance, business, utility, and other agencies set for instant access. You can also listen to weather channels and weather alerts, and you can set your scanner to monitor weather alerts.

***There are some communications that the public is locked out from monitoring. Your scanner cannot receive agencies that encrypt their communications; it also cannot receive agencies on some private proprietary systems.***

Because there are so many different kinds of communications going on, you can turn on specific types of agencies you want to hear (and turn off those you don't).

### CREATE FAVORITES LISTS

You are not limited to using the included database. You can also create your own Favorites Lists which you can customize to your preferences.

### AVOID TRANSMISSIONS

You can also select transmissions for your scanner to Avoid (ignore).

### REPLAY TRANSMISSIONS

Your scanner's Replay feature acts as an instant replay of the transmissions you've just heard. You can set how long a period Replay records for instant playback. This period can range from 30 seconds to 240 seconds (4 minutes). While you can replay that recording immediately and continue replaying it, you cannot save it for future listening.

## **RECORD TRANSMISSIONS**

With your scanner, you can record transmissions. When you begin recording, your scanner adds the Replay recording buffer to the recording. These recording sessions are saved and can be replayed on demand. Rename and delete sessions through the Review Recordings submenu.

## MAIN FEATURES

**HomePatrol Database** – Includes all known radio systems in the US and Canada. The database is updatable with the Sentinel software and Uniden updates the main database weekly.

**Water Resistant (JIS4)** – Resistant to dust and damage caused by splashing water from any direction (when all jack covers are in place).

**Customizable Color Display** – You can set the display color for each field in the display. Additionally, for many fields you can select the information provided.

**True I/Q™ Receiver** – Designed to improve digital performance in even the most challenging RF environments. An I/Q receiver captures the complete signal waveform in 3 dimensions, allowing for improved error correction and digital signal recovery.

**Location-Based Scanning** – Allows you to set your location(s) by zip/postal code or GPS coordinates for instant reception. The Auto-locate feature will determine your general location if you don't know where you are.

**Favorites Scan** – Allows you to organize your Systems into Favorites Lists. The scanner can scan any combination of Favorites Lists and the Full Database.

**microSD card (provided - 1 GB up to 32 GB supported)** – For storing Favorites Lists, Profiles, all your settings, Discovery sessions, and recording sessions.

**GPS Compatible** – Connect to a GPS receiver (not included) for precise system selection and continuing reselection when you travel. The scanner will automatically select what to scan based on your current location as provided by an external GPS unit.

**Range Control** – Lets you set how far out from your current location the scanner will search for channels in Favorites Lists and the database.

**Trunk Tracker V Operation** – Scans APCO 25 Phase 1 and Phase 2, X2-TDMA, Motorola, EDACS, and LTR trunked systems, as well as conventional analog and P25 digital channels.

**Instant Replay** – Plays back up to 240 seconds (4 minutes) of the most recent transmissions.

**Audio Recording** – Capture transmissions for later playback.

**Custom Alerts** – You can program your scanner to alert when you receive a Channel or Unit ID, a Close Call hit, an ID is transmitted with an Emergency Alert, or a Tone-out hit. For each alert, you can select from 9 different tone patterns, 15 volume settings, 7 colors, and 3 flash patterns.

**Multicolor LED Alert** – The alert LED with 7 colors, Blue, Red, Magenta, Green, Cyan, Yellow, or White, can be used with your Custom Alerts.

**Trunking Discovery** – Monitors system traffic on a trunked radio system to find unknown IDs and automatically records audio from and logs new channels for later review and identification.

**Conventional Discovery** – Searches a range of frequencies to find unknown frequencies and automatically records audio from and logs new channels for later review and identification.

**Scan by Service Types** – Scan your channels by Service Type i.e. Fire, Police, Railroad, etc.

**Multi-Level Display and Keypad light** – Makes the display and keypad easy to see in dim light with multiple backlight levels.

**Temporary or Permanent Avoid** – For Systems/Sites/Departments/Channels.

**System/Channel Number Tagging** – Number tags allow you to quickly navigate to a specific Favorites List, System, or Channel.

**Start-up Configuration** – You can program each of your Favorites Lists with a Startup Key (0-9) so that when you power up the scanner and press the key number, just those Favorites Lists assigned to the key will be enabled for scan.

**Close Call® RF Capture Technology** – Lets you set the scanner so it detects and provides information about nearby radio transmissions. Close Call Do-not-Disturb checks for Close Call activity in between channel reception so active channels are not interrupted.

**Broadcast Screen** – Allows the scanner to ignore hits on known broadcast frequencies including pager frequencies in search and Close Call modes. You can also program up to 10 custom frequency ranges that the scanner will ignore.

**Fire Tone-Out Standby/Tone Search** – Lets you set the scanner to alert you if a two-tone sequential page is transmitted. You can set up to 32 Tone-Outs. The scanner will also search and display unknown tones.

**PC Programming** – Use the Sentinel software to manage your scanners Profiles, Favorites Lists, Databases, and firmware updates.

**Priority/Priority w/DND Scan** – priority channels let you keep track of activity on your most important channels while monitoring other channels for transmissions.

**Priority ID Scan** – Allows you to set priority to talkgroup IDs.

**Intermediate Frequency Exchange** – Changes the IF used for a selected channel/frequency to help avoid image and other mixer-product interference on a frequency.

**Individual Channel Volume Offset** – Allows you to adjust the volume offset for each channel.

**Configurable Band Defaults** – Allows you to set the step (5, 6.25, 7.5, 8.33, 10, 12.5, 15, 20, 25, 50 or 100 kHz) and modulation (AM, FM, NFM, WFM, or FMB) for 31 different bands.

**Repeater Find** – Allows the scanner to try to switch to the repeater frequency if an input frequency is found.

**Adjustable Scan/Search Delay/Resume** – Set a delay up to 30 seconds or a forced resume up to 10 seconds for each channel or search.

**Data Naming** – Allows you to name each Favorites List, System, Site, Department, Channel, ID, Location, Custom Search, and SAME group, using up to 64 characters.

**Duplicate Input Alert** – Alerts you if you try to enter a name or frequency already stored.

**Quick Keys** – You can assign up to 100 Quick Keys to your Favorites Lists, Systems, Departments, and Sites.

**Search Avoids** – You can temporarily Avoid up to 250 frequencies and permanently Avoid up to 250 frequencies in any Search mode or Close Call mode.

**10 Custom Searches** – Lets you program up to 10 custom search ranges.

**Search with Scan Operation** – Lets you include Custom Search ranges during scan operation.

**3 Search Keys** – You can assign 3 of the number keys to start a Custom Search, Tone-Out Search, or Close Call Search.

**Quick Search** – Allows you to start searching at the displayed frequency or enter a frequency and start searching.

**SAME Weather Alert/Priority** – Lets your scanner alert you when a SAME alert is transmitted on a NOAA weather channel. You can also set a weather channel as a priority channel.

**Built-in Battery Charger** – Allows you to charge the rechargeable batteries in the scanner from any USB port.

## **INCLUDED WITH YOUR SCANNER**

Accessories included in the box are:

- AC Adapter
- USB Cable
- Hand Strap
- MicroSD Card (installed)
- Lithium Ion Battery Pack
- SMA-BNC Antenna Adapter
- SMA type Antenna
- Belt Clip
- Printed Material

# BASIC USAGE INFORMATION

## USING INTERNAL BATTERIES

The SDS100 is powered by a Lithium Ion battery.

When the scanner is turned on, the scanner does not charge the batteries. When the scanner is turned off, the scanner will charge the batteries.

You charge the scanner's battery by connecting a USB power source to the scanner's USB mini connector and powering off the scanner. Note that the power source must be rated 1A or higher to charge at a full rate. If you connect to a PC or other lower-power USB source, charging will take longer. You can power the scanner by connecting to either the USB micro or mini connector, but only the mini connector can be used for charging.

The included AC adapter is rated at 2A and can power or charge the SDS100

The scanner's charge indicator is red during charge and green when complete.

**Note:** If the scanner gets too hot while charging, it will turn off automatically.

## VIEW THE BATTERY LEVEL

You can set a custom display area to show the battery voltage level. See "Customizing the Display."

## UNDERSTANDING THE MEMORY

All information contained in the scanner is stored on a microSD card supplied with the scanner. This includes Favorites Lists, all the radio settings, and the Radio Reference database.

### FAVORITES LISTS

Because the memory is based on the RadioReference database, the SDS100 has a different organization unlike banks and channels in older scanners, but more like Dynamic Memory Architecture (DMA) used for the last few generations of scanners. Favorites Lists follow the RR database structure of Systems that contain Departments that hold Channels (conventional frequencies or IDs) and then Sites to hold trunking frequencies. If you are familiar with DMA scanners, think of departments as being like channel groups.

Favorites Lists will allow you to store channels you find when you are scanning from the full database (the easiest way). They can contain channels from trunking systems and conventional systems. You can also manually add systems, (not single sites), departments and channels into Favorites Lists from the database as well as program new systems, departments, sites, and channels with the Sentinel software.

You can save up to 256 different lists in the scanner (and software) and associate them with any or all of your profiles. You can monitor one or more lists at a time and/or the database. You can also export your lists to a file to share them. Deleting a profile will not delete the lists associated with a profile. However, deleting a Favorites List will delete it from all profiles.

### SYSTEMS

Systems hold all of your Sites, Departments, and Channels.



## TRUNKING SITES

Inside systems are trunked sites that hold the trunking frequencies for any trunking system and any band plan information needed. You need at least one site for each trunked system and some systems can have several sites.

## DEPARTMENTS

Departments are created inside systems. Departments hold frequencies (channels) for conventional systems and Talk Group IDs (also called channels) for trunked systems.

## SENTINEL SOFTWARE

### MANAGE PROFILES

Profiles are “snapshots” of your scanner’s set up. A profile contains all configuration settings as well as all Favorites Lists, Avoids, and System settings. Sentinel can save multiple profiles so you can restore different profiles as you need them. For example, if you regularly visit a specific location, you can create a profile for that location. You can save it to Sentinel to use whenever you visit.

### MANAGE FAVORITES LISTS

You can create Favorites Lists in Sentinel then associate them with specific profiles. Sentinel lets you create new systems or edit systems already in a Favorites List. When a profile is written to your scanner, only specified Favorites Lists are written to the scanner. Note that all Favorites Lists are shared by all Profiles. If you delete a Favorites List, it is deleted from all profiles. If you want to use a particular Favorites List in some Profiles and not use it in Others, use the Download and/or Monitor settings in the Profile Editor to select your preference.

### MANAGE DATABASES

Uniden updates the Database used in your scanner every week. You can decide how often you want to update the databases on your scanner. When you update them through Sentinel, it checks the website for the most current database and saves it in Sentinel. When you select *Write to Scanner*, the new database is updated in the scanner. Updating the main database does not update any Favorites List. Your customizations and selections are preserved.

### HOW TO INSTALL SENTINEL SOFTWARE

1. Go to the scanner’s product page at [Uniden.com](http://Uniden.com) and click the link for support files.
2. Download the latest version of Sentinel.
3. Unzip the file you downloaded, then click on setup.exe and follow the on-screen instructions to install Sentinel.

### UPDATING FIRMWARE

Your scanner updates its firmware through Sentinel. In that process, Sentinel connects to the internet and checks for the current firmware version to download.

From time to time, Uniden will release firmware updates to improve existing functionality, add new features, or address issues found in its operation. Updating the firmware takes just a few minutes and is easily accomplished using the Sentinel Software you installed on your PC.

Simply connect your scanner to your PC using the supplied USB cable and select *Mass Storage*. Then, in Sentinel select *UPDATE/Update Firmware* and follow the on-screen prompts.

For information about what is included in each update, see:

- <http://info.uniden.com/UnidenMan4/SDS100FirmwareUpdates>

## UPDATING THE DATABASE

1. To update the scanner's database, connect it to your PC using the supplied USB cable. Select Mass Storage.
2. Next, in Sentinel, select *UPDATE/Update Master HPDB*.
3. Finally, write the new database to your scanner by selecting *Scanner/Write to Scanner*.

## DATA NAMING

Name any Favorites List, System, Site, Department, Channel, Location, Custom Search, Recording Session, Tone-Out, or SAME group using up to 64 characters.

**To Enter a Character**, turn the scroll control until the character you want appears. To move the cursor to the right, press the right soft key (➤).

To move the cursor to the left, press the left soft key (◀). To clear a character, press **.no**.

To clear all characters, press **.no** twice. Press **E/yes** when finished to exit.

## PRIORITY SCANNING

**Priority Scan** – When the scanner is scanning a Conventional System, it interrupts scanning, based on the Priority Interval and Max Channels settings, to check priority channels for activity. The more channels you have set to priority, the longer the interruption will be. The Favorites List(s) and System(s) containing the priority channel(s) have to be enabled (and not Avoided) or the scanner will display *Priority Scan No Channel*.

**Priority DND** – The scanner checks priority channels, based on the Priority Interval and Max Channels settings, only when not receiving other conventional channels so there is no interruption in scanning with conventional systems.

**Priority ID Scan** – This function is similar to conventional priority although there is no interruption during the transmission. Priority is checked in between transmissions, when the scanner is receiving the control channel, and during the channel delay period. The scanner can only look for priority IDs in the trunked system it is currently scanning.

**Preemptive Priority ID Scanning** – For Motorola systems that have channel priority active on the system, if you flag a channel as priority and the system also has that TGID identified as a priority channel, the scanner will preempt any current transmission if the TGID becomes active.

The highest priority is for channels in System Quick Key 0. The lowest priority is for channels in System Quick Key 99. Priority for priority channels in the same channel Department follows the order in which the channels were created.

*To use Priority Scan*, you must first set your Priority Channels.

*To use Priority ID Scan*, you must also enable Priority ID Scan for each system.

*To toggle Priority Modes*, press **Func** then **.no(Pri)**.

***Priority is always on for a trunked system if enabled.***

## SCANNING ORDER

With previous scanners, you selected banks to scan. With this scanner, you select *Favorites Lists*, *Systems*, *Departments*, and *Sites* to scan by assigning Quick Keys to them.

Scanning is performed in a mixture of FLQK order and SQK order. The scanner does not scan all Systems in one Favorites List and then move to the next List.

For each Favorites List with a quick key, starting with 0, the scanner scans each 0 SQK in FLQK order and then move to the next set of SQKs for each list.

**Example:**

FLQK 0, SQK 0; FLQK 1, SQK 0.... FLQK 98, SQK 99; FLQK 99, SQK, 99. Department and Site Quick Keys are scanned with each System.

Systems with the same quick key are scanned in order of creation.

The Database is scanned next, in order of creation. Then, Systems with no quick key (including created Quick Save Systems) are scanned and in order of creation.

Conventional Channels and Departments within Systems are also scanned in order of creation. IDs are not really scanned. The scanner checks for any activity in the trunking system and:

- Displays all IDs when ID Search mode is set to On.
- Displays only programmed IDs when ID Search mode is set to Off.

Next, any Custom Searches (enabled for Search with Scan) are scanned in order (Close Call Hits last).

Then, the scanner scans the Close Call 'Hits with Scan' system (if Unavoided). This is a system that automatically stores the frequencies found by Close Call. If the 'Hits with Scan' system has no frequencies, the scanner does not scan the system.

The scanner scans a system for the duration you set using the System Hold Time option. For trunked systems, the scanner moves to the next system after the hold time expires, the current transmission ends, and the channel delay expires. Conventional systems operate similarly, but all (Unavoided) channels are scanned at least one time regardless of the hold time setting.

## SCANNING

**Scanning Checklist:**

1. You must enable at least one Favorites List or the Full Database in Select Lists to Monitor.
2. Favorites Lists or Systems, with Quick Keys assigned to them, must be enabled with quick keys or through Manage Quick Key Status.
3. Service Types required for channels must be set to On.

Any Favorites List not assigned to a quick key, not Avoided, and set to On in Select – to Monitor will be scanned. Any System, Department, or Site (or Quick Save System/Department) not assigned to a quick key and not Avoided, will be scanned.

## REPLAY THE LAST TRANSMISSIONS

While scanning, press **Replay**.

Press **Channel** to pause/resume replay.

Turn the **Scroll Control** to select recordings.

***Replay is not available when recording is enabled.***

## START/STOP RECORDING

While scanning, press **Func** then **Replay/Reccord**.

*Resets to Off when you turn off the scanner.*

## AVOIDING CHANNELS, DEPARTMENTS, SITES, AND SYSTEMS

Temporary Avoids are cleared when you cycle power. You must manually clear permanent avoids.

### Channel Avoid

When the Channel is in the display or in *Channel Hold* mode: To *Temporary Avoid*, press **Avoid** once. To *Permanent Avoid*, press twice when the channel is in the display or in *Channel Hold* mode.

### Department Avoid

Press **Dept** (soft key 2) then **Avoid** once to *Temporary Avoid*. Press **Avoid** twice to *Permanent Avoid*.

### Site Avoid

When the Site is in the display or in *Site Hold* mode (**Func** then **Dept**):

To *Temporary Avoid*, press **Dept** then quickly press **Avoid**.

To *Permanent Avoid*, press **Dept** then quickly press **Avoid** twice.

To *Stop Avoiding*, press **Dept** then **Avoid** once.

Press **Func** then **Dept** to release *Site hold*.

### System Avoid

Press **System** then **Avoid** once to *Temporary Avoid*. Press **Avoid** twice to *Permanent Avoid*.

# SETTING UP YOUR SCANNER

## FIRST STEPS

To get your scanner ready for use, follow these quick steps:

1. Install the battery pack and plug the included cable into the scanner's USB mini port and the other end into a PC.
2. Turn on the scanner by pressing  $\text{V}/\text{O}$  for about 2 seconds.
3. When prompted, select *Mass Storage* mode.
4. Run Sentinel.
5. Follow the steps provided on the previous page to update the scanner's firmware and radio database to the latest versions.

## INITIAL SETTINGS

1. Turn on the scanner by pressing and holding  $\text{V}/\text{O}$  for about 2 seconds.
2. Tap the scroll control to display the volume level. Turn the scroll control (within 3 seconds) to adjust the volume.
3. Tap the scroll control again to close the volume level (or let it disappear after 10 seconds).
4. Press **Func** then tap the scroll control to display the squelch level.
5. Tap the scroll control again to close the squelch level.


To begin scanning right away, press the **Zip** button to select your country and zip/postal code. The scanner loads channels for your area from the database and starts scanning.

## CONTROLS AND INDICATORS

The following table includes the most common functions for each key. It is not, however, a comprehensive list for all functions in all modes. See specific functions in this manual to perform a particular task.

The two LED indicators above the display indicate charge status (right LED; red when charging, green when charged) and channel alert indication (left LED).

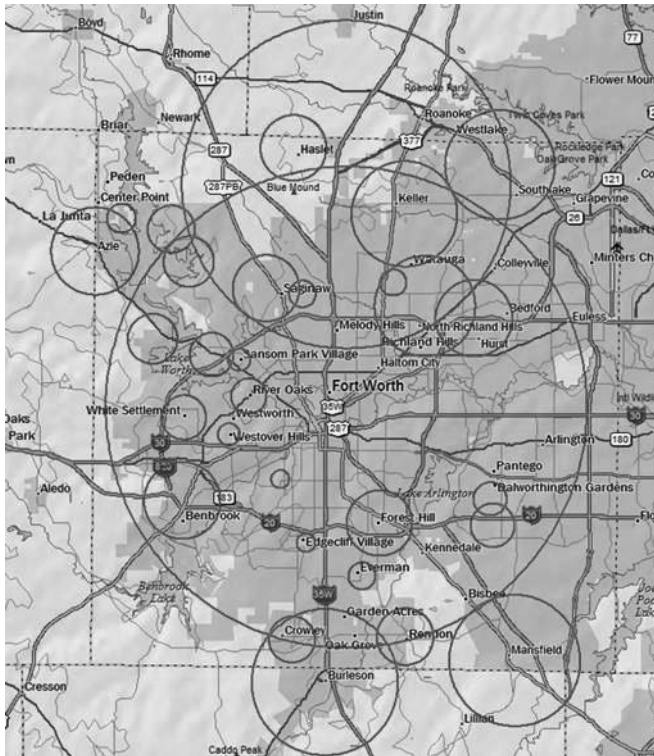


Button	Operation
<b>Power/Light</b> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press and hold to turn the scanner on or off.</li> <li>• Tap to turn on/off the display backlight. Note that when the display backlight is off, nothing is visible on the display.</li> </ul>
<b>Avoid</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press once to temporarily avoid the current channel or frequency (in direct tune mode).</li> <li>• Press twice to permanently avoid the current channel or frequency.</li> <li>• During scan, or scan hold press the left soft key (System), then tap avoid once (for temporary avoid) or twice (for permanent avoid) to avoid the currently scanned system.</li> <li>• During scan, or scan hold press the middle soft key (Department), then tap avoid once (for temporary avoid) or twice (for permanent avoid) to avoid the currently scanned department.</li> </ul>
<b>Zip/Services</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter country-zip/postal code.</li> <li>• Press <b>Func</b> then <b>Zip</b> to select <i>Service Types</i> to be scanned.</li> </ul>
<b>Soft Keys</b>	The function of these three keys change depending on the current mode. The function is indicated by the labels at the bottom of the display.
<b>Menu</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter <i>Menu</i> mode.</li> <li>• Press to return one level in <i>Menu</i> mode.</li> <li>• Press <b>Func</b> then <b>Menu</b> for <i>Search</i> menu in <i>Search</i> mode.</li> <li>• Press <b>Func</b> then <b>Menu</b> for <i>Close Call</i> menu in <i>Close Call</i> mode.</li> </ul>
<b>Replay/Record</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to Replay the last transmissions.</li> <li>• Press <b>Func</b> then <b>Replay</b> to start/stop recording</li> <li>• Press and hold to Review Recordings.</li> </ul>
Number keys (general) See individual key functions below for additional functions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to select <i>Favorites Lists</i> in <i>Scan</i> mode.</li> <li>• Press <b>0-9</b> to use direct entry in a <i>Hold</i> mode.</li> <li>• Press <b>0-9</b> to toggle custom search bands on or off in <i>Custom Search</i> mode.</li> <li>• Press <b>0-6</b> to toggle <i>Close Call</i> bands on or off in <i>Close Call</i> mode.</li> </ul>
<b>1 / SRCH1</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter the digit 1 in any numeric entry mode.</li> <li>• In channel hold mode, press <b>Func</b> then <b>1</b> to toggle on/off the search you've assigned to SRCH1.</li> </ul>
<b>2 / SRCH2</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter the digit 2 in any numeric entry mode.</li> <li>• In channel hold mode, press <b>Func</b> then <b>2</b> to toggle on/off the search you've assigned to SRCH2.</li> </ul>
<b>3 / SRCH3</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter the digit 3 in any numeric entry mode.</li> <li>• In channel hold mode, press <b>Func</b> then <b>3</b> to toggle on/off the search you've assigned to SRCH3.</li> </ul>

Button	Operation
<b>4 / ATT</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter the digit 4 in any numeric entry mode.</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode, press <b>Func</b> then <b>4</b> to toggle attenuation on/off for the current channel</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode, press <b>Func</b> then hold <b>4</b> for 3 seconds to toggle global attenuation on/off.</li> <li>• In <i>Search</i> mode, holding on a frequency, press <b>Func</b> then <b>4</b> to toggle attenuation on/off for the current frequency.</li> </ul>
<b>5 / DIM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter the digit 5 in any numeric entry mode.</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode, press <b>Func</b> then <b>5</b> to set the display brightness level.</li> </ul>
<b>6 / WX</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter the digit 6 in any numeric entry mode.</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode, press <b>Func</b> then <b>6</b> to toggle weather priority on/off.</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode, press <b>Func</b> then hold <b>6</b> for 3 seconds to go to weather channel monitoring mode.</li> </ul>
<b>7 / IFX</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter the digit 7 in any numeric entry mode.</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode on a conventional channel, press <b>Func</b> then <b>7</b> to toggle intermediate frequency exchange on/off for the current channel.</li> <li>• In <i>Search</i> mode, holding on a frequency, press <b>Func</b> then <b>7</b> to toggle intermediate frequency exchange on/off for the current frequency.</li> </ul>
<b>8 / REV</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter the digit 8 in any numeric entry mode.</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode on a conventional channel, press <b>Func</b> then <b>8</b> to monitor the the repeater input frequency for the current channel.</li> <li>• In <i>Search</i> mode, holding on a frequency, press <b>Func</b> then <b>8</b> to monitor the the repeater input frequency for the current frequency.</li> </ul>
<b>9 / DISP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter the digit 9 in any numeric entry mode.</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode, press <b>Func</b> the <b>9</b> to toggle between simple and detailed display modes.</li> </ul>
<b>0 / LVL</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter the digit 0 in any numeric entry mode.</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode, press <b>Func</b> then repeatedly press <b>0</b> to set the volume offset for the current channel.</li> </ul>
./no/PRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to enter a decimal point for a frequency.</li> <li>• Press when prompted <i>Yes/No</i> to select <i>No</i>.</li> <li>• Press <b>Func</b> then ./no to toggle conventional priority scan.</li> </ul>
<b>E/yes</b> <b>Q. SRCH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press to select a menu item or save an entry in <i>Menu</i> mode</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode, press to store a blinking CTCSS/DCS/NAC.</li> <li>• In <i>Channel hold</i> mode, press <b>Func</b> then <b>E/yes</b> to start a Quick Search.</li> <li>• Press <b>Func</b> then <b>E/yes</b> to toggle <i>ID Search</i> mode on/off in <i>Scan</i> mode (when scanning Trunked System in Favorites List only).</li> </ul>

## UNDERSTANDING LOCATION, RANGE, AND SERVICES

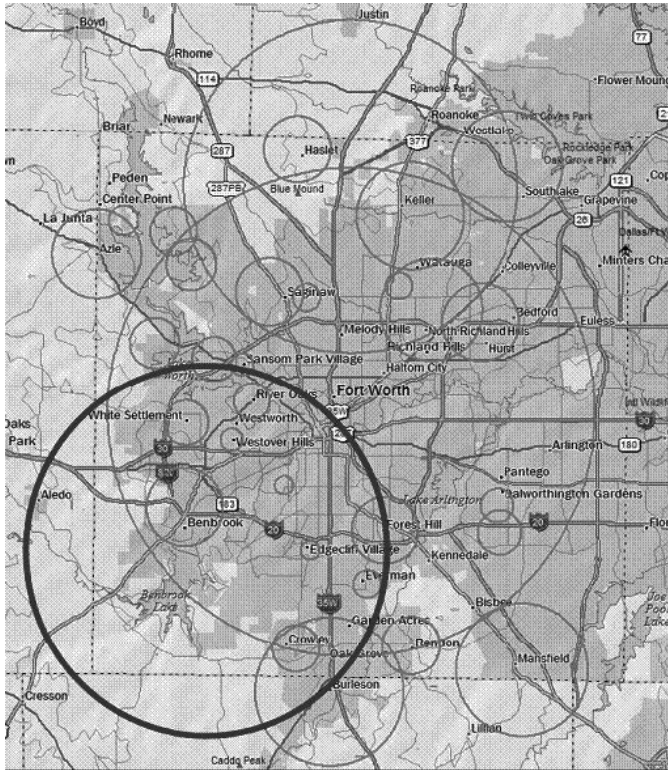
All radio systems in your scanner's database are tagged with location information. A geotag has latitude, longitude, and range. This tag describes a circle centered at the latitude/longitude that fully encompasses the entity (i.e. city, town, state, etc.) served by the radio system. Taking a look at some of the systems in the Fort Worth, TX area, you can see that each system has its own little circle. These roughly outline each system's intended coverage.



Each entry also includes all the radio system information (frequencies, descriptions, tags indicating how each channel is used, etc).

If you use your Zip Code as your location, the scanner sets your location to be within 10 miles of the center of the zip code. Good enough for catching local comms. We've drawn that circle in using a thicker line on the next map.





The scanner selects channels from systems that overlap the thick circle. So, the system down south that covers Burleson is included even though only part of it is covered, but Haslet, way up north, is not included.

Each location method uses a different range. In addition to the 10-mile Zip Code radius, the scanner uses:

- Auto Locate: 30-miles radius from the discovered radio tower.
- GPS or Manual Location: 0-miles radius.

0 miles means that your location is precisely known. For a radio system to be selected, its circle must enclose your precise position. This setting is great if you are traveling...the scanner automatically selects and deselects systems as you drive through each system's coverage zone.

You can manually change the range setting to be bigger (to include more systems) or smaller (to include fewer systems) by going to the Range menu and adjusting the range up or down.

## SETTING LOCATION/RANGE

Press **Menu** then scroll to Set Your Location and Range and press **E/yes**. Scroll to through the following option and press **E/yes**.

## Enter Zip/Postal Code

This sets the center of a zip/postal code as your location (not your exact location) and a default scan range of 10 miles.

1. Select your country (USA or Canada) and press **E/yes**.
2. Enter your zip code or see Data Naming, to enter a postal code.
3. You can also press the **Zip** button to enter your zip/postal code.

## Auto Locate

Auto Locate works by trying to monitor any Motorola or P25 system in your area that is also in the Radio Reference Database.

This sets the center of the discovered radio tower as your location (not your exact location) and a default scan range of 30 miles.

Press **E/yes** or **/no** to accept the location. Press **Menu** to cancel.

## Set Manual Location

This sets your exact location and a default scan range of 0 miles. You can then edit the location name and save the location.

1. Using the keypad, enter your latitude.
2. Press **/no** to toggle *N* or *S*, and press **E/yes**. Using the keypad, enter your longitude.
3. Press **/no** to toggle *E* or *W*, and press **E/yes**.

## SET UP GPS

### Location Format

DMS:DDD°MM'SS.ss or DEG:DDD.dddddd.

### Set Serial Port

- Default is 4800 bps for a GPS device.
- Off, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600, or 115200 bps.

### Set Range

This setting allows you override the default range setting for your current location to increase or decrease the number of Trunking Sites and Channel Departments you can receive when you are scanning from the Full Database and when you are scanning Favorites Lists with Location Control enabled. See also *Understanding Range*, 18.

Enter the range (0-50) and press **E/yes**.

## EDIT LOCATION

This lets you create a location or edit a location for rapid recall. First, select *New Location* or *Edit Location*.

### Edit Name

See *Data Naming*, page 12.

### **Use Location**

This will set the location as current for scanning the Database and any Favorites List with Location Control enabled.

At *Confirm?* Press **E/yes** or **./no**.

### **Delete Location**

You can only delete saved locations. The last location set will be retained for use when scanning the Database.

At *Confirm Delete?*, press **E/yes** or **./no**.

### **Set Location Information**

See *Set Manual Location*, 2.

### **Set Range**

Enter the range (0-50) and press **E/yes**.

### **Save Location**

This saves the current location and the range.

## **SELECTING SERVICE TYPES**

By default only EMS Dispatch, Fire Dispatch, Law Dispatch, Custom 1, and Multi-Dispatch are enabled.

The Appendix has a list of Service Types and their general descriptions. To change the enabled/disabled service types:

1. Press **Func** then the **Zip/Services** button.
2. Scroll to each *Service Type* and press **E/yes** to enable or disable. Press **System** to exit.

If a Service Type is not in any active Favorite List, the scanner will display “---”.

# QUICK NAVIGATION CONCEPTS

## ASSIGNING QUICK KEYS

Quick Keys let you quickly turn on/off favorites lists, systems within a favorites list, and departments and sites within systems. There are three levels of quick key as described below.

### FAVORITES LIST QUICK KEYS

Favorites Lists Quick Keys (FLQK) quickly enable or disable entire Favorites Lists for scanning. There are 100 FLQKs (00-99). These are like the bank keys used on older scanners. You do not have to assign a FLQK to a favorites list, but doing so makes it easier to modify what you are currently scanning. Each FLQK can only be used one time (i.e. two favorites lists cannot have the same FLQK).

### SYSTEM QUICK KEYS

System Quick Keys (SQK) quickly enable or disable conventional and trunked systems for scanning. There are 100 SQKs (00-99). You can use the same SQK for multiple systems.

### DEPARTMENT/SITES QUICK KEYS

Department/Site Quick Keys (DQK) quickly enable or disable departments or sites. There are 100 DQKs (00-99). You can use the same DQK for multiple departments and sites.

## USING QUICK KEYS

To enable or disable a Quick Key, while scanning, enter all or part of:

FF.SS.DD then press E.

- FF=FQK
- SS=SQK
- DD=DQK

Examples:

- 10 E: Toggle FQK 10
- 10.03 E: Toggle SQK 03 in FQK 10
- 10.03.02 E: Toggle DQK 02 in SQK 03 in FQK 10.
- .03 E: Toggle SQK 03 in the currently scanned *Favorites List*
- ..04 E: Toggle DQK 04 in the currently scanned system.

***Toggleing a SQK or DQK only affects the quick key within the current hierarchy. If you have the same SQK under a different Favorites List, that SQK is unaffected.***

***You can assign a display area to indicate the FQK/SQK/DQK status. See Customizing the Display, on page 22.***

## SEARCH KEYS

You can assign any search function to *Search Keys* (1, 2, or 3) to quickly go to that search. Use the menu function *Search for...* → *Set Search Key* to assign the search functions. To start the search, hold on a channel, then press **F+1, 2, or 3**.

## STARTUP KEYS

You can program each of your Favorites Lists with a Startup Key (**0-9**) so that when you power up the scanner and press the key number, just those Favorites List(s) assigned to the key will be enabled for scan. Systems are not affected. Assign a startup key when programming Favorites Lists.

To use a startup key, hold it down while powering on the scanner. Items with a matching startup key will be enabled for scanning. Items with a startup key that does not match will be disabled for scanning. Items with no startup key will not be affected.

## NUMBER TAGS

Numbers tags will allow you to tag each Favorites List, System, and Channel so you can quickly go to that element. Number tags can range from 0 to 99 for Favorites Lists and Systems and 0-999 for Channels.

To use a number tag, hold on any channel, then enter the tag as FF.SS.CC and press Channel (soft key 3).

## CHANNEL/ID ALERTS

You can program your scanner to alert you when a Channel or Unit ID is received, you receive a Close Call hit, an ID is transmitted with an Emergency Alert or you receive a Tone-out hit. For each alert in the scanner, you can select from 9 different tone patterns, 15 volume settings, 7 colors, and 3 flash patterns.

## QUICK FREQUENCY TUNING

To quickly tune to a frequency and enter quick search mode:

1. Hold on any channel.
2. Key in any frequency.
3. Press **CHAN** (soft key **3**).


## QUICK TALK GROUP TUNING

To quickly tune to a talk group in the trunked system you are currently scanning, while scanning that trunked system:

1. Hold on any channel.
2. Key in the talk group ID.
3. Press **CHAN** (soft key **3**).

## MENU REFERENCE

The scanner's menu gives you access to all the scanner's setting as well as programming. The table below provides a quick description of most of the scanner's menu tree. For procedures that need more explanation, the table will indicate where in this manual to look for that explanation.

To access the menu, press  on the scanner's left side. For ease of reference, this manual will refer to this button as **MENU**.

When describing menu navigation, this manual uses the following format:

**MENU** → *Main Menu Item* → *Sub Menu item*

For example:

**MENU** → *Search For...* → *Custom Search*

To go up one menu level, press **MENU**. To exit the menu entirely, press **AVOID**.

Main Menu	Sub Menu	Setting or Sub-sub menu	Setting
<i>Set Scan Selection</i>	<i>Manage Quick Key Status</i>	Favorites Quick Key	Scroll to desired FLQK and press E to toggle it on/off
		System Quick Key	Scroll to the FL the systems are in and press E, then scroll to the system and press E to toggle the SQK on/off.
	<i>Set Nationwide Systems</i>	Scroll to the desired nationwide system and press E to turn it on or off for scanning. Nationwide systems are similar to service searches used in older scanners.	
	<i>Select Lists to Monitor</i>	Scroll through the list and press E to toggle the item on/off for scanning. Note that this does not affect the FLQK status. If the item is set to <i>No</i> , it cannot be turned on for scanning using quick keys.	
	<i>Set All Lists Off</i>	Sets all of the items in the above menu to Off.	
	<i>Set All Lists On</i>	Sets all of the items in the above menu to On.	
<i>Manage Full Database</i>	<i>Review Avoids</i>	Scroll to entries in this list to see all items avoided in the main database. When selected, press E to remove the avoid status.	
	<i>Stop All Avoiding</i>	Removes avoid status from the entire main database.	
	<i>Information</i>	Displays the date the main database was last updated in the scanner.	
<i>Manage Favorites</i>	See <i>Managing Favorites Lists</i> on page 24		

Main Menu	Sub Menu	Setting or Sub-sub menu	Setting	
<i>Set Your Location</i>	<i>Enter Zip Code</i>	Select USA or Canada then enter your zip code or the first 3 digits of your postal code. The scanner will select things to scan based on the zip code location.		
	<i>Auto Locate</i>	The scanner will search for a signal from a radio system in its database and sets your location to the location of the found system. You will be prompted to accept or continue searching for each radio system found.		
	<i>Set Manual Location</i>	Input your Latitude and Longitude for precise radio system selection.		
	<i>Set Up GPS</i>	<i>Location Format</i>	Scroll to select the format for entering and displaying latitude and longitude	
		<i>Set Serial Port</i>	Set the data rate to use with a connected GPS. The default of 4800bps is the standard data rate for most units.	
	<i>Set Range</i>	Sets the range, in miles, the scanner should look out from the set location to determine which radio systems to scan.		
	<i>Edit Location</i>	<p>Scroll to select and edit a saved location. You can then select the appropriate menu item for what you want to change:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Edit Name</i></li> <li>• <i>Use Location</i> (sets your scanner to the stored settings)</li> <li>• <i>Delete Location</i></li> <li>• <i>Set Location Information</i> (change the stored latitude and longitude)</li> <li>• <i>Set Range</i></li> </ul>		
<i>Save Location</i>	<p>Saves your current location settings for quick recall. First, set the name for the location, then select the menu items to set the location:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Edit Name</i></li> <li>• <i>Use Location</i> (sets your scanner to the stored settings)</li> <li>• <i>Delete Location</i></li> <li>• <i>Set Location Information</i> (change the stored latitude and longitude)</li> <li>• <i>Set Range</i></li> </ul>			

Main Menu	Sub Menu	Setting or Sub-sub menu	Setting
<i>Select Service Types</i>	The scanner displays a list of all service types. Scroll to a service type and press <b>E</b> to toggle that service type on or off. Note that if no channels in the currently scanned database or favorites list(s) include a particular service type, that service type will have --- displayed instead of on or off. You cannot set that service type.		
<i>Srch/CloCall Opt</i>	<i>Freq Avoids</i>	<i>Stop All Avoiding</i>	Removes avoid status from all frequencies.
		<i>Rvw Search Avoids</i>	Scroll to view search avoids. Press <b>E</b> while on an avoided frequency to unavoid that frequency.
	<i>Broadcast Screen</i>	<i>Set All Band On</i>	Turns on all broadcast screens
		<i>Set All Band Off</i>	Turns off all broadcast screens
		<i>Set Each Band</i>	Scroll through the list of broadcast screens and press <b>E</b> to turn a particular screen on or off. When a screen is turned on, the scanner will ignore any traffic found on a matching frequency during search or Close Call operation.
	<i>Repeater Find</i>	<i>Program Band</i>	Scroll to an entry then enter the upper and lower limits of any frequency band you want to make a custom screen for..
		<i>On</i>	Automatically switch to repeater output side when input side is detected.
		<i>Off</i>	Do not switch to repeater output side.



Main Menu	Sub Menu	Setting or Sub-sub menu	Setting
	<i>Set Delay Time</i>	-10	Hold on the frequency the set amount of time after the transmission ends to wait for replies. Negative value forces search resume after set time, even if transmission continues.
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	<i>Set Attenuator</i>	<i>On</i>	Apply 20dB attenuation to all reception.
		<i>Off</i>	Attenuation is off.
<i>Search For...</i>	<i>Custom Search</i>	Select <i>Custom</i> , then:	
		<i>Edit Name</i>	Edit the name of the custom search
		<i>Edit Srch Limit</i>	Enter the upper and lower range frequencies.
		<i>Set Delay Time</i>	Set the delay after a transmission ends. See setting above for options.
		<i>Set Modulation</i>	Set the demodulation method to use for the range. AUTO uses default modes based on bands.
		<i>Set Attenuator</i>	Turn attenuation on or off for the search.
		<i>Set Step</i>	Set the step size for the search. AUTO uses standard steps based on the band being search.

Main Menu	Sub Menu	Setting or Sub-sub menu	Setting	
		<i>Search with Scan</i>	Set Avoid option lets you stop avoiding (i.e. include the search during scan), temporarily avoid, or permanently avoid.  Set Hold Time option determines how long the scanner spend in the custom search before resuming normal scanning.	
	<i>Edit Custom</i>	Select the custom search to edit, then select the setting(s) to change. Settings are identical to the Custom Search settings, above.		
	<i>Set Search Key</i>	Select the earch key.	Then, set the function you want the search key to control.	
	<i>Search with Scan</i>	Set <i>System Avoid</i>	Set to Temporary or Permanent to turn off search with scan.	
<i>Close Call</i>	<i>Close Call Only</i>	Turn off scanning/searching and only watch for Close Call hits		
	<i>Hits with Scan</i>	<i>Set Avoid</i>	Set to Stop Avoiding to include Close Call hits while scanning.	
		<i>Set Hold Time</i>	Set how long to scan Close Call hits during each scan cycle.	
	<i>Set CC Mode</i>	<i>Off</i>	Close Call is turned off	
		<i>CC DND</i>	Scanner checks for Close Call hits only when no other voice traffic is being received.	
		<i>CC Priority</i>	Scanner checks for Close Call hits every 2 seconds, even if voice traffic is being received.	

Main Menu	Sub Menu	Setting or Sub-sub menu	Setting
	<i>Set CC Alert</i>	<i>Set Alert Tone</i>	Scroll to select the alert tone to sound when there is a Close Call hit. Then, scroll to select the volume level for the alert (Auto uses the current volume setting).
		<i>Set Alert Light</i>	Scroll to select the color the alert indicator lights when there is a Close Call hit. Then scroll to select a blink pattern for the alert.
		<i>Set CC Pause</i>	Scroll to set how long the scanner displays the Close Call hit before resuming.
	<i>Set CC Bands</i>	Scroll to each band and press <b>E</b> to toggle Close Call checks for that band on or off.	
<i>Analyze</i>	See <i>Using Analyze Features</i> on page 44		
<i>Discovery</i>	See <i>Using Discovery Mode</i> on page 42		
<i>Priority Scan</i>	<i>Set Priority</i>	<i>Off</i>	Conventional priority is turned off.
		<i>Priority DND</i>	Conventional priority be checked only when no other voice traffic is being received
		<i>Priority Scan</i>	Conventional priority will be checked on an interval, even if voice traffic is being received. Interval is set by setting, below.
	<i>Set Interval</i>	Select how often the scanner will check for traffic on conventional priority channels. Default is 2 seconds.	
	<i>Max Channels / Pri Scan</i>	Sets the maximum number of conventional priority channels to check on each interval. (1-100)	
<i>WX Operation</i>	<i>Weather Scan</i>	The scanner goes into weather scan mode.	

Main Menu	Sub Menu	Setting or Sub-sub menu	Setting
	<i>Weather Alert</i>	Select how the scanner responds to weather alerts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Alert Only</i> the scanner responds to any alert received when it detects the 1050 Hz alert tone</li> <li>• <i>SAME 0-4</i> the scanner only responds to an alert if it matches the selected stored SAME settings.</li> <li>• <i>All FIPS</i> the scanner responds to any alert and displays the received event code.</li> </ul>	
	<i>Review WX Alerts</i>	Select a past alert to hear the audio of the alert.	
	<i>Program SAME</i>	Select one of the SAME slots, then set a name and county for the slot. You will need to know the FIPS code for the county you want to enter. FIPS codes can be found on NOAA's web site.	
	<i>Set Delay Time</i>	Sets how long the scanner remains on a weather channel after the signal is lost before scanning weather channels.	
	<i>Set Attenuator</i>	Turns attenuation on/off for weather channels.	
	<i>WX Alt Priority</i>	When turned on, the scanner will check for a 1050Hz tone on the current weather channel every 5 seconds while scanning. Note that this interrupts any existing voice traffic.	
<i>Tone-Out-For</i>	<i>Tone-Out Standby</i>	Select this and the scanner will go into tone-out standby mode. Scroll to select the tone-out settings to use. If multiple settings use the same RF settings but different tone settings, all matching settings are used. No other function works while the scanner is in tone-out standby mode.	
	<i>Tone-Out Setup</i>	Scroll to select the tone-out settings you want to edit, then use the below menu items to change settings:	
		<i>Edit Name</i>	Set the alpha tag for the tone-out settings
		<i>Set Frequency</i>	Set the RF frequency, Modulation, and Attenuation settings.

Main Menu	Sub Menu	Setting or Sub-sub menu	Setting
		<i>Set Tone</i>	Set the values for Tone A and Tone B. For a single short tone, only set Tone A. For a single long tone, only set Tone B. To search for tones leave both settings at 0.
		<i>Set Delay Time</i>	Select how long the scanner waits after the carrier drops to return to tone-out standby mode.
		<i>Set Alert</i>	Set the tone and indicator color/pattern to use when a matching two-tone alert is received.
<i>Display Options</i>	Backlight Options	Set Mode	Set how the display backlight behaves when squelch opens and/or when a key is pressed.
		Set Dimmer	Set the backlight brightness level (default 40%)
		Set Key Backlight	Enable: turns on/off w/ the display backlight; Disable: Always off.
		Flash w/Backlight Off	Turn on to have the alert indicator blink every 5 seconds when the display backlight is off (so you can tell the scanner is on).
	Customize	See <i>Customizing the Display</i> on page 38	
	Set ID Format	Select to display Motorola/P25 Talk Group IDs in Decimal or Hex format.	
	Set ID Format (EDCS)	Select to display EDACS Talk Group IDs in Decimal or Hex format.	
	Set B/W or Color Mode	Set the display color mode: Color for full color display, or Black w/White Text or White with Black text for black and white modes (which are easier to see under direct sunlight).	

Main Menu	Sub Menu	Setting or Sub-sub menu	Setting	
<i>Settings</i>	<i>Adjust Key Beep</i>	Rotate to set the key beep volume. AUTO sets the level to match the current volume setting.		
	<i>Set Clock</i>	Follow the menus to set the date, time, time zone, and daylight savings time.		
	<i>Upgrade</i>	Use to enter a registration key for upgrade options.		
	<i>Battery Options</i>	<i>Set Battery Save</i>	Turn on to reduce power use during conventional hold mode.	
		<i>Set Battery Low</i>	Follow the menus to set the battery alert display type and tone and the low-battery voltage.	
	<i>Band Defaults</i>	Select a frequency band then follow the menu to set the default modulation and step for each band.		
	<i>Auto Shutoff</i>	Select how long the scanner will operate before automatically turning off. Set to off to disable this function.		
	<i>Replay Options</i>	<i>Set Replay Duration</i>	Set how much audio is included in the replay buffer.	
		<i>Review Recordings</i>	Scroll to a recording session and select to play, delete, or rename a recording session.	
	<i>Restore Options</i>	<i>Clear User Data</i>	Delete all Favorites Lists and user settings.	
		<i>Reset User Settings</i>	Clear user settings w/o affecting Favorites Lists.	
	<i>See Scanner Information.</i>	<i>% Memory Used</i>	Displays the remaining capacity of the microSD card.	
		<i>Firmware Version</i>	Displays the firmware version and Electronic Serial number of the scanner.	

## MANAGING FAVORITES LISTS

Favorites Lists hold all your custom Systems, Sites, Departments, and Channels. Certain system, department, and channel options are only available for specific types of systems. Each option is tagged with the type(s) it applies to as follows:

- **P** – APCO Project 25
- **M** – Motorola
- **D** – DMR (Optional mode)
- **E** – EDACS
- **L** – LTR
- **C** – Conventional

### NEW FAVORITES LIST/ FAVORITES LIST OPTIONS

Press **Menu** then scroll to *Manage Favorites* and press **E/yes**.

To *Create a New Favorites List*, scroll to *New Favorites List* and press **E/yes**. To *Edit a Favorites List*, scroll to the *Favorites List* and press **E/yes**.

Scroll to the options below and press **E/yes**.

**Review/Edit System** – See *Programming Systems*.

**Set FL Quick Key** – This assigns a quick key to the *Favorites List*. The default setting is. (**no quick key**). If you don't assign a *Favorite Lists* to a quick key, it will always be scanned unless you turn it off in *Select Lists to Monitor*.

Scroll to the quick key (**0-99** or **.** for **no quick key**) and press **E/yes** to save.

**Pressing the first number of a 2-digit quick key will get you closer, 1 for 10, 2 for 20, etc., then scroll to second digit.**

**Set FL Number Tag** – Numbers a *Favorites List* so you can access it quickly from scan hold mode.

The default setting is no number tag.

Enter the number tag (**0-99**) and press **E/yes** to save. Enter a blank for no number tag.

**Set FL Startup Key** – This allows you to turn on the scanner with the *Favorites List* enabled for scan. The default settings are all keys *Off*.

Scroll to the startup key (**0-9**) and press **E/yes** to enable then **Menu** to save.

**Use Location Control** – This enables *Location Control* for the *Favorites List*. The default setting is **Off**.

**Review Avoids** – This allows you to review all *Avoids* for the *Favorites List*. *Temporary Avoids* appear reversed in the display - **AVOID**.

Scroll to each *Avoided channel, Department, or System*, and press **E/yes** to *Stop Avoiding*.

**Stop All Avoiding** – This will *Stop Avoiding* all Channels, Departments, and Systems in the *Favorites List*.

At *Confirm Delete?* Press **E/yes** or **./no**.

**Add Current dB Channels** – This allows you to add all channels you are currently scanning to the *Favorites List*.

At *Confirm?* Press **E/yes** or **./no**.

**Notes:**

- Any Avoided Channel will not be added.
- When adding channels from the Full Database, only channels that are inside the set range, and from the selected Service Types are added.
- When adding channels from a *Favorites List* that has *Use Location Control* is set to *Yes*, only channels that are inside the set range, and from the selected service types are added.
- When adding channels from a *Favorites List* that has *Use Location Control* set to *No*, only channels that are from the selected service types are added.

**Rename** – This allows you to rename the *Favorites List*.

**Delete** – This will delete the *Favorites List*.

At *Confirm Delete?* Press **E/yes** or **./no**.

**Information** – This will show you the file size and number of Systems in the list.

## PROGRAMMING SYSTEMS

### CREATING OR EDITING A SYSTEM

1. Press **Menu** then scroll to *Manage Favorites* and press **E/yes**. Scroll to the *Favorites List* you want the system to go into, then press **E/yes**.
2. Scroll to *Review/Edit System* and press **E/yes**.
3. To *Create a New System*, scroll to *New System* and press **E/yes**.

Set the type system you are creating by scrolling to P25 Trunk, P25 X2-TDMA, P25 One Frequency, Motorola, MotoTRBO Trunk (optional), DMR One Frequency (optional), EDACS, LTR, or Conventional and press **E/yes**. At *Confirm?* press **E/yes** or **./no**.

To *Edit System Settings*, scroll to the *System* and press **E/yes**.

## SYSTEM SETTINGS

***Some settings are only available for specific types of systems.***

***MotoTRBO and DMR modes are optional upgrades.***

*Edit Name* – Enter a name for the system then press **E/yes**.

*Edit Sys Option* – Refer to the following table for system options settings.

Setting	Description	Applicable Systems
<i>Set System Quick Key</i>	Sets a quick key to enable/disable the system	<b>PMDEL C</b>
<i>Set System Number Tag</i>	Sets a tag to quickly jump to the system.	<b>PMDEL C</b>
<i>Set Avoid</i>	Set the avoid status for the system	<b>PMDEL C</b>
<i>Set Hold Time</i>	How long to scan the system before moving to the next system. Default of 0 scans entire system once, then moves on.	<b>PMDEL C</b>



Setting	Description	Applicable Systems
<i>ID Search</i>	Toggles between ID Search mode (stop on all unavaoided channels) and ID Scan (stop only on programmed channels) mode.	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Edit Fleet Map</i>	Sets the fleet map for the system.	<b>M</b>
<i>Priority ID Scan</i>	Sets the system to apply trunked channel priority for the system.	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Set Status Bit</i>	Sets whether to ignore the talk group status bit (default is ignore).	<b>M</b>
<i>Set End Code</i>	Set whether to ignore the end code sent when a radio unkeys (default is to not ignore).	<b>M</b>
<i>Emergency Alert</i>	Sets the alert sound and alert indicator when the scanner receives an emergency status from the system.	<b>ME</b>
<i>Set TGID Format</i>	Sets the format used to enter/display talk group IDs.	<b>M</b>
<i>Review ID Avoids</i>	Lets you review and remove avoids from talk group IDS	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Clear all ID Avoids</i>	Removes avoid status for all system talk groups.	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Digital Waiting Time</i>	Sets how long the scanner monitors a channel for digital signals before opening squelch. Default is 400 mS.	<b>M</b>

**Edit Site **PMDEL**** – Programs one or more site’s frequencies and site options for trunked systems. Select the site or New Site for a new site, then refer to the following table for site options.

Option	Description	Applicable Systems
<i>Edit Name</i>	Set/change the name displayed for the site.	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Set Site Quick Key</i>	Set the quick key for the site.	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Edit Band Plan</i>	Set the band plan to be used for the system	<b>M</b>
<i>Set Site Type</i>	Set whether the site is Wide or Narrow type.	<b>E</b>
<i>Set Frequencies</i>	Set the frequencies used by the site. For system types that also require an LCN, the LCN is also entered here.	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Set Modulation</i>	Set what modulation method is used for the site frequencies.	<b>MDEL</b>

Option	Description	Applicable Systems
<i>Set Attenuator</i>	Set whether attenuation is applied for the site.	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Set Avoid</i>	Set the avoid status for the site.	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Set Location Information</i>	Select whether to use a circle or rectangles to define the site location, then enter the appropriate parameters to define the site location.	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Delete Site</i>	Delete the site from the system.	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>New Site</i>	Create a new site for the system.	<b>PMDEL</b>

**Edit Department** – *Create/Edit* departments which hold the channels scanned on the system. Select a department or select *New Department* and set a name for the department. Then, see the following table for department options.

Setting	Description	Applicable Systems
<i>Edit Name</i>	Edit the name displayed when the department is scanned.	<b>PMDEL</b> <b>C</b>
<i>Set Department Quick Key</i>	Set/change the quick key used for the department	<b>PMDEL</b> <b>C</b>
<i>Edit Channel</i>	Enter the TGIDs or Frequencies for the department. See Channel Options, below	<b>PMDEL</b> <b>C</b>
<i>Set Location Information</i>	Select whether to use a circle or rectangles to define the department location, then enter the appropriate parameters to define the department location.	<b>PMDEL</b> <b>C</b>
<i>Set Avoid</i>	Set/change the avoid status for the department	<b>PMDEL</b> <b>C</b>
<i>Delete Department</i>	Delete the department and all its channels	<b>PMDEL</b> <b>C</b>
<i>New Department</i>	Create a new department	<b>PMDEL</b> <b>C</b>

#### **Channel Options**

After you enter the *Talk Group ID* (for trunked systems) or frequency (for conventional systems), the following channel options are available.

Setting	Description	Applicable Systems
<i>Set Name</i>	Assign a name that is displayed for the channel while scanning	<b>PMDEL</b> <b>C</b>
<i>Edit TGID</i>	Edit the talk group ID set for the channel	<b>PMDEL</b>
<i>Set TDMA Slot</i>	Set the slot used by the channel.	<b>D</b>

Setting	Description	Applicable Systems
<i>Edit Frequency</i>	Edit the frequency used by the channel.	<b>C</b>
<i>Set Audio Type</i>	Set whether the channel is analog or digital.	<b>MEC</b>
<i>Set Channel Number Tag</i>	Assign a channel number tag for quick channel navigation.	<b>PMDELC</b>
<i>Set Modulation</i>	Set the modulation method used for the channel	<b>C</b>
<i>Set Attenuation</i>	Set whether the channel is RF attenuated	<b>C</b>
<i>Set Service Type</i>	Set the service tag for the channel.	<b>PMDELC</b>
<i>Set Delay Time</i>	Set how long the scanner holds on the channel after a transmission stops while waiting for a reply. Default is 2 seconds.	<b>PMDELC</b>
<i>Set Priority</i>	Set whether the channel is a priority channel.	<b>PMDELC</b>
<i>Set Alert</i>	Set the audio/indicator alert to use when the channel becomes active.	<b>PMDELC</b>
<i>Set Avoid</i>	Set whether the channel is avoided or not.	<b>PMDELC</b>
<i>Volume Offset</i>	Set a volume offset for the channel.	<b>PMDELC</b>
<i>Delete Channel</i>	Delete the channel.	<b>PMDELC</b>
<i>New Channel</i>	Create a new channel.	<b>PMDELC</b>

**Edit Unit ID PMDE** – Unit ID must be set to *On* in the *Display Options* menu to view Unit IDs. Select a *Unit ID* or *New Unit ID*, then press **E/yes**.

If you selected *New Unit ID*, enter the Unit ID and press **E/yes**. Then, set the following options.

**Edit Name** – Set the name to be displayed for the Unit ID.

**Edit Unit ID** – Edit the Unit ID Number.

**Set Alert** – Set an alert that will activate when the Unit ID is received.

- **Set Alert Tone** – Alert 1-9 or Off.
- **Set Level Level** – 1-15 or Auto (the master volume level).
- **Set Alert Light** – Off, Blue, Red, Magenta, Green, Cyan, Yellow, or White.
- **Set Alert Pattern** – On, Slow Blink, or Fast Blink.

**Delete Unit ID** – At *Confirm Delete?*, press **E/yes** or **.No**.

**Copy System** – Copying a system will copy all Sites, Departments, Channels, and settings including quick key assignments into the current *Favorites List*.

**Delete System** – At *Confirm Delete?*, press **E/yes** or **.No**.

## CUSTOMIZING THE DISPLAY

The SDS100 gives you considerable control over what items are shown on the display as well as what colors are used for each item.

To customize the display, select **MENU** → *Display Options* → *Customize* then select the display you want to customize:

- *Set Simple Conventional*
- *Set Simple Trunk*
- *Set Detail Conventional*
- *Set Detail Trunk*
- *Set Search/CC Mode*
- *Set Weather Mode*
- *Set Tone Out Mode*

### **Notes:**

- During scan you can switch between Simple and Detail display modes by holding on a channel and pressing **F+DISP**.
- Some display modes or display fields only allow you to change the colors.
- Trunking/Conventional modes share the same display field colors, but each scan mode can display different data items.
- Every possible data item cannot fit into all the different display fields.

After selecting the display mode to customize, the scanner displays a sample display in the mode you selected. Rotate the scroll to highlight the area you want to modify, then press the appropriate soft key for the attribute you want to change:

- **Item**: Change the item displayed in the field.
- **T-Color**: Change the text color for the field.
- **B-Color**: Change the background color for the field

When you select one of the above, the display will switch to showing the available options. Select the option to use, then press **E** to return to the sample display.

The customizable fields are shown in the following images. Note that the areas shaded darker in these images can only have text/background color changed. The displayed item cannot be changed.

## SIMPLE DISPLAY MODE

Conventional and Trunked mode share the same color scheme, but different display items are available for each mode.

Func	Option_1	Option_2	Option_3	Option_4	Sig	Batt	
	Option_5	Option_6	Option_7	Option_8	Key	DIR	
System Name (24char x 2)							
System Option (22)				System Avoid	System Hold		
Department Name (24x2)							
Department Option (22)				Dept Avoid	Dept Hold		
Channel Name (24x2)							
Channel Option (22)				Chan Avoid	Chan Hold		
Option A			Option B				
ICON1	ICON2	ICON3	ICON4	ICON5	ICON6	ICON7	
ICON8	ICON9	ICONA					
Soft Key 1(9+1)		Soft Key 2(10)		Soft Key 3(9+1)			

## DETAIL DISPLAY MODE

Func	Option_1	Option_2	Option_3	Option_4	Sig	Batt	
	Info area 1		Option_7	Option_8	Key	DIR	
	Info area 2			Option_C_1			
	Info area 3			Option_C_2			
System Name							
System Option (22)				System Avoid	System Hold		
Department Name (24x1)							
Department Option (22)				Dept Avoid	Dept Hold		
Channel Name (24x1)							
Channel Option (22)				Chan Avoid	Chan Hold		
Option_A_1			Option_B_1				
Option_A_2			Option_B_2				
Option_A_3			Option_B_3				
Option_A_4			Option_B_4				
Option_A_5			Option_B_5				
ICON1	ICON2	ICON3	ICON4	ICON5	ICON6	ICON7	
ICON8	ICON9	ICONA					
Soft Key 1(9+1)		Soft Key 2(10)		Soft Key 3(9+1)			

## SEARCH/TONE-OUT/WEATHER MODE

You can individually set colors for Search/Close Call mode, Weather Mode, and Tone-Out mode, but they share the same general layout. You can only set display option items for Search mode.

Func	Option_1	Option_2	Option_3	Option_4	Sig	Batt			
Info area 1			Option_7	Option_8	Key	DIR			
Info area 2				Option_C_1					
Info area 3				Option_C_2					
Primary Area 1 (24x1)									
Primary Area 2 (24x1)									
Primary Area 3 (24x1)									
Sub Info area			MOD. (4)	AVOID	HOLD				
Mode detail area									
Option A 1			Option B 1						
Option A 2			Option B 2						
Option A 3			Option B 3						
ICON1	ICON2	ICON3	ICON4	ICON5	ICON6	ICON7	ICON8	ICON9	ICONA
Soft Key 1 (9+1)			Soft Key 2 (10)		Soft Key 3 (9+1)				

## AVAILABLE ITEMS

The below tables outline what display items are available. Note that not all items are possible for all display fields.

Item	Sample	Huge 22	Large 16/14	Short 5 Char
Favorites List Name		O	O	-
Site Name		O	O	-
Unit ID Name		O	O	-
Frequency	xxxx.xxxMHz	O	O	-
TGID	TGID:xxxxxxx	O	O	-
RSSI	RSSI:x.xxV	-	O	-
System type	DMR One Frequency	O	O	-
System/Network ID	Net ID : xxxx	O	O	-
	Sys ID : xxxx			
Site ID	Site ID : xxxx	O	O	-
Unit ID	UID : 12345678	O	O	-
LCN	LCN:4096		O	-
Number Tag	Tag:FF-SS-CC	O	O	-
Volume/Squelch	VOL=15 SQL=15	O	O	-

Volume	V:15	-	-	O
Squelch	S:15	-	-	O
Battery voltage	Batt:x.xxV		O	-
Digital Error count	Err:xx		O	-
ATT	G-ATT	-	-	O
P25 Status	P25-2	-	-	O
Day	mm/dd	-	-	O
Time	xx:xx	-	-	O
Modulation	NFM	-	-	O

### Icon Area

Item	Sample
Priority Scan	PRI
Close Call	CC (icon)
WX PRI	WX
REC	REC
GPS	GPS
Broadcast Screen	SCR
Repeater Find	REF
Volume Offset	V+x
Modulation	NFM
P-Ch	P

## USING DISCOVERY MODE

*Trunking Discovery* mode allows you to monitor a trunked radio system, logging system activity and recording the audio for channel identification.

*Conventional Discovery* mode lets you monitor a range of frequencies, logging frequencies with activity and recording the audio for frequencies that are not already known to be in use in your area so that you can more easily identify the users. This includes frequencies used conventionally as well as in trunked radio systems.

In both modes, you also have the option to compare hits to the Database and log all hits or just new hits.

If you use the *Auto Store* option, Discovery will create a new Trunking System for IDs found for each Session or will create a new Conventional System for frequencies found for each Session.

You can create and save several sessions with different settings. Every time you start a session you create a Run that can later be reviewed in the scanner or the Sentinel software.

### RUNNING A DISCOVERY SESSION

To start a discovery session:

Press **MENU** → *Discovery* then select either *Trunking Discovery* or *Conventional Discovery*.

Select either *New Session* or an existing session. If you select *New Session*, you will be prompted to name the session.

If you selected *Trunking Discovery* and this is a new session, you will be prompted to select the trunked system and site to perform discovery on. In order to run trunking discovery, the trunked system and site must be available for scanning (i.e. in and active *Favorites List* or within the defined location of the *Main Database*). Select the system and the site.

Refer to the following table for Discover options.

Menu Item	Description
<i>Start Discovery</i>	Start a discovery session using the currently set parameters.
<i>Edit Session Name</i>	Edit the name of the selected session.
<i>Set Limit Frequencies</i>	(Conventional Discovery Only) Set the upper and lower limits of the frequency range you want to run discovery on.
<i>Set Modulation</i>	(Conventional Discovery Only) Set the demodulation method to use. If set to <i>AUTO</i> (default), the scanner will use the default demodulation method for the frequency.
<i>Set Step</i>	(Conventional Discovery Only) Set the frequency step size for the session. If set to <i>AUTO</i> (default), the scanner uses the default frequency step for the frequency.
<i>Set Delay</i>	Sets how long the scanner pauses after a transmission waiting for a reply.
<i>Set Logging</i>	<i>ALL</i> for all hits; <i>NEW</i> for only items that are not yet discovered in this session.
<i>Set Compare to Database</i>	<i>On</i> compares hits to database and ignores the hit if it is already in the database. <i>Off</i> records all hits.



Menu Item	Description
<i>Set Record Duration</i>	Sets how much audio the scanner records for each hit. Once the record duration has been met, the frequency or TGID is considered "discovered."
<i>Set Time-Out Timer</i>	Sets how long the scanner will monitor a hit before resuming scan automatically. This prevents open carriers from locking up the discovery session.
<i>System Information</i>	(Trunking Only) Displays the Favorites List, system and site used, as well as the type of trunking system.
<i>Set Auto Store</i>	When on, creates a Favorites List called Conventional Discovery or Trunking Discovery and saves all hits as channels.
<i>Delete Session</i>	Deletes the discovery session, including all hits.

## REVIEWING A DISCOVERY SESSION

In Review Discovery mode, you can review the results of discovery mode runs, resume runs, or restart saved discovery sessions.

1. Press **Menu** → *Discovery* → *Review Discovery*
2. Select either *Trunk Discovery Results* or *Conventional Discovery Results*.
3. Scroll to select the results to review.

Refer to the following table for review options:

Option	Description
<i>Review Run Results</i>	Select Summary to list by each frequency or talk group id; select Detail to list by each individual hit.
<i>Restart this Run</i>	Deletes existing log files for this session and starts a new session with the same settings.
<i>Resume this Run</i>	Keeps existing log files and resumes the session.
<i>Delete this Run</i>	Deletes the run and all log files for the run.
<i>Run Information</i>	Displays information about the settings used for the discovery session.

## USING ANALYZE FEATURES

The SDS100 includes some analysis features that can help you find out more information about systems you are scanning.

### SYSTEM STATUS

This function displays the signal strength, decode quality, and how busy the system is in an easy-to-decipher display.

To use this function:

**MENU** → *Analyze* → *System Status*

The scanner prompts for a trunked system to analyze. In order to be analyzed, the system must currently be scannable (in an active *Favorites List* or *Main Database* and within the range set for scanning).

Enter the first few letters of the system name, then press **E** to see a list of all matching systems. Scroll to the desired system, then press **E**. A list of scannable sites for the system is shown. Scroll to the desired site, then press **E**. *System Status* mode starts.

- S=Signal Strength
- Q=Decode Quality
- A=System Activity

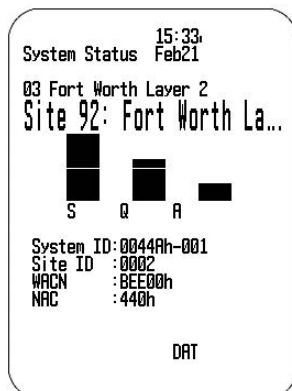
### LCN FINDER

LCN Finder helps you determine the correct LCN (Logical Channel Number) settings for those systems requiring LCN entry. You first need to create the system. Use any number as the LCN when you create the system, then run the LCN Finder by:

**MENU** → *Analyze* → *LCN Finder*

The scanner prompts for a trunked system. For LCN Finder to run, the system must currently be scannable (in an active *Favorites List* or *Main Database* and within the range set for scanning), and must be a type that requires LCN (EDACS, LTR, MotoTRBO, DMR TIII).

Enter the first few letters of the system name, then press **E** to see a list of all matching systems. Scroll to the desired system, then press **E**. A list of scannable sites for the system is shown. Scroll to the desired site, then press **E**. LCN Finder mode starts.



Once all LCNs are found, you can save the LCNs to the system. If you abort before all LCNs are found, you can still save the LCNs that were found up to that point.

Note that LCN finder works best on systems with moderate activity. Too much traffic or too little traffic make LCN finder take longer to complete for most systems.

## APPENDIX

### TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Solution
Scan Mode, Nothing to Scan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make sure you Set Your Location to scan the Database.</li> <li>• Make sure Favorites Lists are enabled in Set Scan Selection.</li> <li>• Make sure Service Types are enabled for the Channels you want to hear.</li> <li>• Make sure you have locations programed if Use Location Control is On.</li> <li>• Make sure longitude and latitude are N and W (for N America).</li> <li>• Make sure Systems/Departments/Channels are not Avoided.</li> <li>• Make sure Favorites List/System/Department/Site quick key is enabled.</li> <li>• (Search with Scan) Make sure Search with Scan is enabled in Select Lists to Monitor and the Search for Menu and for the Custom Search.</li> </ul>
Scanning Interrupted Every Few Seconds	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Turn off Priority Scan.</li> <li>• Change Priority Interval.</li> <li>• Turn off Close Call Priority.</li> <li>• Turn off Weather Priority.</li> <li>• Set Channel Delay longer.</li> <li>• Set positive Channel Delay.</li> </ul>
All Channels Out of Range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase your range.</li> <li>• Change your location.</li> <li>• Turn Location Control off for the Favorites List.</li> </ul>

### DEFAULT BAND SETTINGS

Frequency Range	Mode	Step (kHz)	Band
25.0000    26.9600	AM	5	Petroleum Products & Broadcast Pickup
26.9650    27.4050	AM	5	CB Class D Channel
27.4100    27.9950	AM	5	Business & Forest Products
28.0000    29.6800	NFM	20	10 Meter Amateur Band
29.7000    49.9900	NFM	10	VHF Low Band
50.0000    53.9800	NFM	20	6 Meter Amateur Band
54.0000    71.9500	WFM	50	VHF TV Broadcast 2 – 4
72.0000    75.9500	FM	5	Intersystem & Astronomy

Frequency Range		Mode	Step (kHz)	Band
76.0000	87.9500	WFM	50	VHF TV Broadcast 5 – 6
88.0000	107.900	FMB	100	FM Broadcast
108.0000	136.9916	AM	8.33	Commercial Aircraft
137.0000	143.9875	NFM	12.5	Military Land Mobile
144.0000	147.9950	NFM	5	2 Meter Amateur Band
148.0000	150.7875	NFM	12.5	Military Land Mobile
150.8000	161.9950	NFM	5	VHF High Band
162.0000	173.9875	NFM	12.5	Federal Government
174.0000	215.9950	FWM	50	TV Broadcast 7 – 13
216.0000	224.9800	NFM	20	1.25 Meter Amateur Band
225.0000	379.9750	AM	25	UHF Aircraft Band
380.0000	399.9875	NFM	12.5	Trunked Military Band
400.0000	405.9875	NFM	12.5	Miscellaneous
406.0000	419.9875	NFM	12.5	Federal Government Band
420.0000	449.9875	NFM	12.5	70 cm Amateur Band
450.0000	469.9875	NFM	12.5	UHF Standard Band
470.0000	512.0000	NFM	12.5	UHF-T Band
758.0000	787.99375	NFM	6.25	Public Service Band
788.0000	805.99375	NFM	6.25	Public Service Band
806.0000	823.9875	NFM	12.5	Public Service Band
849.0125	868.9875	NFM	12.5	Public Service Band
894.0125	960.0000	NFM	12.5	Public Service Band
1240.0000	1300.0000	NFM	25	25 cm Amateur Band

- When you select AUTO for a channel or modes modulation or step, the above values are used unless you've edited the Band Defaults.
- Steps can be selected from 5/6.25/7.5/8.33/10/12.5/15/20/25/50/100/AUTO (kHz).
- Although TV bands are listed, the scanner cannot decode digital TV audio.

## SERVICE TYPES

Service Type	Description
<b>Aircraft</b>	For civilian aircraft and air traffic control operations most typically in the 118-136 MHz and 225-380 MHz bands in AM mode.
<b>Business</b>	Most business related entities not covered by other tags.
<b>Corrections</b>	Jail/prison operations, corrections activities, federal prisons.
<b>Emergency Ops</b>	Emergency Operation Centers and similar emergency management or disaster related operations.
<b>EMS Dispatch</b>	Ambulance dispatch, including rescue squads.

<b>Service Type</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>EMS-Tac</b>	Ambulance on-scene communications, tactical operations and secondary channels.
<b>EMS-Talk</b>	Ambulance talk-around, car-to-car and supervisor operations.
<b>Federal</b>	All federal government operations (except corrections, traditional law enforcement patrol and fire/EMS operations).
<b>Fire Dispatch</b>	Fire dispatch, including combined fire/ambulance dispatch.
<b>Fire-Tac</b>	Fireground, tactical and on-scene communications, including combined fire/ambulance operations.
<b>Fire-Talk</b>	Fire talk-around and car-to-car operations, chiefs, supervisors, etc., including combined fire/ambulance operations.
<b>Ham</b>	Any amateur radio assignment.
<b>Hospital</b>	Ambulance-to-Hospital communications and patient reports.
<b>Interop</b>	Interoperability communications, cross-agency communications, mutual aid, etc.
<b>Law Dispatch</b>	Law enforcement dispatch.
<b>Law-Tac</b>	Law enforcement tactical, SWAT, on-scene, surveillance and specific sub-agency communications.
<b>Law Talk</b>	Law enforcement talk-around, car-to-car and supervisor operations.
<b>Media</b>	Newspapers, television and broadcast radio operations.
<b>Military</b>	Military operations, e.g., range control, air-to-air combat, etc.
<b>Multi-Dispatch</b>	Combined law enforcement and fire/ambulance dispatch.
<b>Multi-Tac</b>	Combined law enforcement and fire/ambulance tactical and on-scene communications.
<b>Multi-Talk</b>	Combined law enforcement and fire/ambulance tactical talk-around and car-to-car operations.
<b>Public Works</b>	Public agency non-public safety communications. This includes any non-public safety government services, such as trash, streets, roads, sewer, zoos, administration, maintenance, animal control, community initiatives, code compliance, etc.
<b>Race Officials</b>	Available for use to identify officials' frequencies for racing events.
<b>Race Teams</b>	Available for use to identify team frequencies for racing events.
<b>Railroad</b>	All common carrier railroad communications.
<b>Schools</b>	School-related communications (schools, school buses, football games, etc.).
<b>Security</b>	Non-law enforcement security operations, including private security companies, noncommissioned government agency security, school security, etc.
<b>Transportation</b>	Public and private bus, taxi, and public passenger rail communications.
<b>Utilities</b>	Private electric, water, natural gas, phone, cable TV, etc. operations.
<b>Custom 1-8</b>	User-defined service types.

## REMOVING THE MICRO SD CARD

Carefully remove the SD Card by removing the back cover, then removing the battery pack. Slightly press down and slide the SD card holder right, then lift out the card. Gently install the SD Card the same way it was removed.

## REFORMATTING THE MICRO SD CARD

SD cards should only be formatted using the special SD Card Formatter ([https://www.sdcard.org/downloads/formatter\\_4/](https://www.sdcard.org/downloads/formatter_4/)). Then, you need to "Clear User Data" using Sentinel to restore all files and directories to the card.

After formatting, the scanner won't be automatically detected (since it is wiped clean), so you may need to uncheck "Hide empty drives" in Windows Tools>Folder Options>View before doing the "Clear User Data" step.

## TYPE II SPECIAL STATUS BITS

Type II Motorola Smartnet systems use these status bits for special transmissions such as emergency, patches, DES/DVP scrambled transmissions, and multiselects. Motorola trunking radios directly interpret them for their special functions, thus no difference is noticed by the person with the radio. The scanner however interprets these special talk group status bits as different talk groups entirely. Below is the conversion chart for these special status bits.

TT ID + # Usage	TT ID + # Usage
ID+0 Normal Talk group	ID+8 DES/DVP Encryption talk group
ID+1 All Talk group	ID+9 DES All Talk group
ID+2 Emergency	ID+10 DES Emergency
ID+3 Talk group patch to another	ID+11 DES Talk group patch
ID+4 Emergency Patch	ID+12 DES Emergency Patch
ID+5 Emergency multi-group	ID+13 DES Emergency multi-group
ID+6 unassigned	ID+14 unassigned
ID+7 Multi-select (initiated by dispatcher)	ID+15 Multi-select DES TG

Therefore, if a user was transmitting a multi-select call on talk group 1808, the scanner would actually receive those transmissions on 1815.

Some common uses of these status bits are as follows:

- When a user hits their emergency button, all conversations on the talk group revert to the emergency status talk group (ID+2) until the dispatch clears the emergency status. Therefore, if someone hit their emergency button and their radio was on talk group 16, all communications would switch to talk group 18.
- A lot of Fire and EMS departments dispatch tone-outs and alarms as Multi-select communications (ID+7). Therefore, if your fire department dispatch talk group is 1616, and they do dispatch tone-outs and alarms as Multi-selects, then those communications will be on talk group 1623.

## WEATHER CHANNELS

Channel	Frequency	Channel	Frequency
1	162.550	5	162.450
2	162.400	6	162.500
3	162.475	7	162.525
4	162.425		

## SAME EVENT CODES

Standard	Event Code	Warning	Watch	Advisory	Advisory
ADR	Administrative Message			O	Admin Message
AVA	Avalanche Watch		O		Avalanche
AVW	Avalanche Warning	O			Avalanche
BHW	Biological Hazard Warning	O			Biological
BWW	Boil Water Warning	O			Boil Water
BZW	Blizzard Warning	O			Blizzard
CAE	Child Abduction Emergency			O	Child Emergency
CDW	Civil Danger Warning	O			Civil Danger
CEM	Civil Emergency Message	O			Civil EMG
CFA	Coastal Flood Watch		O		Coastal Flood
CFW	Coastal Flood Warning	O			Coastal Flood
CHW	Chemical Hazard Warning	O			Chemical
CWW	Contaminated Water Warning	O			Contam. Water
DBA	Dam Watch		O		Dam Break
DBW	Dam Break Warning	O			Dam Break
DEW	Contagious Disease Warning	O			Contagious
DMO	Practice/Demo			O	System Demo
DSW	Dust Storm Warning	O			Dust Storm
EAN	Emergency Action Notification	O			EMG Notify
EAT	Emergency Action Termination			O	EMG Terminate
EQW	Earthquake Warning	O			Earthquake
EVA	Evacuation Watch		O		Evacuate Note
EVI	Immediate Evacuation	O			Evacuate Note
FCW	Food Contamination Warning	O			Food
FFA	Flash Flood Watch		O		Flash Flood
FFS	Flash Flood Statement			O	Flash Flood
FFW	Flash Flood Warning	O			Flash Flood
FLA	Flood Watch		O		Flood
FLS	Flood Statement			O	Flood
FLW	Flood Warning	O			Flood
FRW	Fire Warning	O			Fire



Standard	Event Code	Warning	Watch	Advisory	Advisory
FSW	Flash Freeze Warning	O			Flash Freeze
FZW	Freeze Warning	O			Freeze
HLS	Hurricane Statement			O	Hurricane
HMW	Hazardous Material Warning	O			Hazardous
HUA	Hurricane Watch		O		Hurricane
HUW	Hurricane Warning	O			Hurricane
HWA	High Wind Watch		O		High Wind
HWW	High Wind Warning	O			High Wind
IBW	Iceberg Warning	O			Iceberg
IFW	Industrial Fire Warning	O			Industrial Fire
LAE	Local Area Emergency			O	Local EMG
LEW	Law Enforcement Warning	O			Law Enforcement
LSW	Land Slide Warning	O			Land Slide
NAT	National Audible Test			O	National Audible
NIC	National Information Center			O	National Info
NMN	Network Notification Message			O	Network Message
NPT	National Periodic Test			O	Nation Period
NST	National Silent Test			O	Nation Silent
NUW	Nuclear Power Plant Warning	O			Nuclear Plant
POS	Power Outage Advisory			O	Power Outage
RHW	Radiological Hazard Warning	O			Radiological
RMT	Required Monthly Test			O	Monthly
RWT	Required Weekly Test			O	Weekly
SMW	Special Marine Warning	O			Special Marine
SPS	Special Weather Statement			O	Special WX
SPW	Shelter In-Place Warning	O			Shelter
SVA	Severe Thunderstorm Watch		O		Thunderstorm
SVR	Severe Thunderstorm Warning	O			Thunderstorm
SVS	Severe Weather Statement			O	Severe WX
TOA	Tornado Watch		O		Tornado
TOE	911 Telephone Outage Emergency			O	911 Phone Outage
TOR	Tornado Warning	O			Tornado
TRA	Tropical Storm Watch		O		Tropical Storm
TRW	Tropical Storm Warning	O			Tropical Storm
TSA	Tsunami Watch		O		Tsunami
TSW	Tsunami Warning	O			Tsunami
TXB	Transmitter Backup On			O	TX Backup On
TXF	Transmitter Carrier Off			O	TX Carrier Off
TXO	Transmitter Carrier On			O	TX Carrier On
TXP	Transmitter Primary On			O	TX Primary On

Standard	Event Code	Warning	Watch	Advisory	Advisory
VOW	Volcano Warning	O			Volcano
WFA	Wild Fire Watch		O		Wild Fire
WFW	Wild Fire Warning	O			Wild Fire
WSA	Winter Storm Watch		O		Winter Storm
WSW	Winter Storm Warning	O			Winter Storm
**A	Unrecognized Watch		O		Unrecognized
**E	Unrecognized Emergency			O	Unrecognized
**S	Unrecognized Statement			O	Unrecognized
**W	Unrecognized Warning	O			Unrecognized

Continuous Tone Coded Squelch System (CTCSS) and Digital Coded Squelch (DCS) are two methods used to prevent interference by other radio communications. Your scanner can receive transmissions that use these codes.

## CTCSS FREQUENCIES

The scanner can detect the following 50 CTCSS frequencies.

67.0Hz	94.8Hz	131.8Hz	171.3Hz	203.5Hz
69.3Hz	97.4Hz	136.5Hz	173.8Hz	206.5Hz
71.9Hz	100.0Hz	141.3Hz	177.3Hz	210.7Hz
74.4Hz	103.5Hz	146.2Hz	179.9Hz	218.1Hz
77.0Hz	107.2Hz	151.4Hz	183.5Hz	225.7Hz
79.7Hz	110.9Hz	156.7Hz	186.2Hz	229.1Hz
82.5Hz	114.8Hz	159.8Hz	189.9Hz	233.6Hz
85.4Hz	118.8Hz	162.2Hz	192.8Hz	241.8Hz
88.5Hz	123.0Hz	165.5Hz	196.6Hz	250.3Hz
91.5Hz	127.3Hz	167.9Hz	199.5Hz	254.1Hz

## DCS CODES

The scanner can detect the following 104 hexadecimal DCS codes.

006	031	054	116	145	205	245	266	332	411	452	506	612	703
007	032	065	122	152	212	246	271	343	412	454	516	624	712
015	036	071	125	155	214	251	274	346	413	455	523	627	723
017	043	072	131	156	223	252	306	351	423	462	526	631	731
021	047	073	132	162	225	255	311	356	431	464	532	632	732
023	050	074	134	165	226	261	315	364	432	465	546	654	734
025	051	114	141	172	243	263	325	365	445	466	565	662	743
026	053	115	143	174	244	265	331	371	446	503	606	664	754

## REVERSE LIST

Range (MHz)	Offset (MHz)	Range (MHz)	Offset (MHz)
29.5200 - 29.5800	+ 0.1	450.0000 - 454.9875	+ 5
29.6200 - 29.6800	- 0.1	455.0000 - 459.9875	- 5
52.0100 - 52.9900	+ 1	460.0000 - 464.9875	+ 5
53.0100 - 53.9900	- 1	465.0000 - 469.9875	- 5
143.7500	+ 4.375	470.0000 - 472.9875	+ 3
143.9000	+ 4.25	473.0000 - 475.9875	- 3
144.5100 - 144.8900	+ 0.6	476.0000 - 478.9875	+ 3
145.1100 - 145.4900	- 0.6	479.0000 - 481.9875	- 3
146.0100 - 146.3850	+ 0.6	482.0000 - 484.9875	+ 3
146.4150 - 146.5050	+ 1	485.0000 - 487.9875	- 3
146.5950	+ 1	488.0000 - 490.9875	+ 3
146.6100 - 146.9850	- 0.6	491.0000 - 493.9875	- 3
147.0000 - 147.3900	+ 0.6	494.0000 - 496.9875	+ 3
147.4150 - 147.5050	- 1	497.0000 - 499.9875	- 3
147.5950	- 1	500.0000 - 502.9875	+ 3
147.6000 - 147.9900	- 0.6	503.0000 - 505.9875	- 3
148.1250	- 4.375	506.0000 - 508.9875	+ 3
148.1500	- 4.25	509.0000 - 511.9875	- 3
222.1200 - 223.3800	+ 1.6	758.0000 - 775.9937	+30
223.7200 - 224.9800	- 1.6	788.0000 - 805.9937	-30
420.0000 - 424.9875	+ 5	806.0000 - 823.9875	+ 45
425.0000 - 429.9875	- 5	851.0000 - 868.9875	- 45
440.0000 - 444.9875	+ 5	896.0000 - 901.0000	+ 39
445.0000 - 449.9875	- 5	935.0000 - 940.0000	- 39

## REPEATER FREQUENCY LIST

Base Frequency (MHz)	Offset (MHz)	Base Frequency (MHz)	Offset (MHz)
455.0151 - 459.9950	- 5	497.0001 - 500.0000	- 3
465.0101 - 469.9950	- 5	503.0001 - 506.0000	- 3
473.0001 - 476.0000	- 3	509.0001 - 512.0000	- 3
479.0001 - 482.0000	- 3	758.0000 - 775.9937	+30
485.0001 - 488.0000	- 3	806.0051 - 823.9875	+45
491.0001 - 494.0000	- 3	894.0125 - 921.0000	+39

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