

**Digital Trunking  
Desktop/Mobile Radio Scanner**

Thank you for purchasing your Digital Trunking Desktop/Mobile Radio Scanner from **RadioShack**. Please read this user's guide before installing, setting up, and using your new scanner.

**What's Included**

Scanner	Rubber feet (3)
Antenna	Knob (2)
Screw (2)	AC adapter
Mounting bracket	DC cable with fuse
DIN sleeve	User's Guide
Keys (2)	Quick Start Guide
Rubber washer (2)	V-Scanner Pre-programmed Data
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## Understanding the Function Keys

### Five Way Pushbutton Pad

- ◀ ▶ ▲ ▼ Navigates while browsing objects and menus.
- ◀ ▶ Navigates through Scan Lists.

### SEL (Select)

Activates data entry fields and toggles Scan List selection in object menus.

**FUNC + SEL** to activate context sensitive help menus.

Programmable LED

### Softkeys F1 / F2 / F3

Activates the function shown in the LCD display above the softkey.

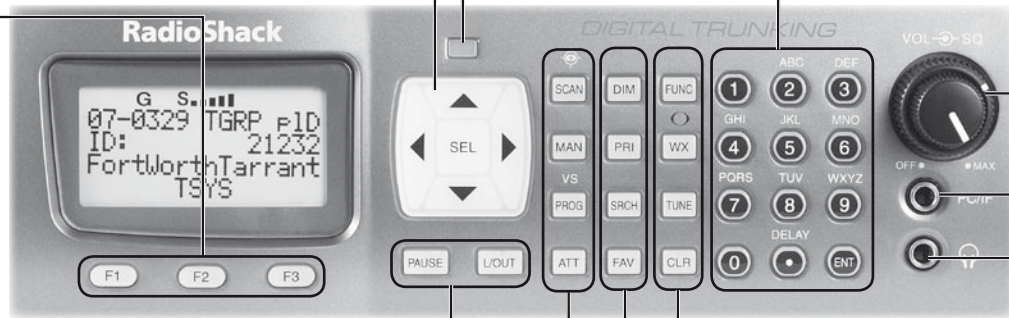
### PAUSE

Pauses scan or search.

### L/OUT

Toggles temporary Lockout on active or selected object.

**FUNC + L/OUT** for permanent lockout.



### 1-0 / A-Z

Inputs a number or character. Use while scanning to select Scan Lists 1-10 on/off. Press after **FUNC** to select Scan List 11-20 on/off.

### • / DELAY

Inputs **decimal point** (frequency input), **space** (text input) or **hyphen** (Trunking ID input). Toggles delay functions on/off.

### ENT (Enter)

Volume / ON/OFF / Squelch

Connect computer, PRO-197 or PRO-106 scanner

Connect Headphones

### SCAN / [Signal Icon]

Enters Scan Mode for scanning enabled objects.

**FUNC + SCAN** activates Signal Stalker II.

### MAN (Manual)

Places scanner in Manual Mode for monitoring single objects.

### PROG (Program)

Puts scanner in Program Mode for editing radio-wide options, adding new objects, or editing existing objects. **FUNC + PROG** accesses V-Scanner Mode.

### ATT (Attenuator)

Toggles Attenuator on and off.

**FUNC + ATT** toggles Global Attenuator mode.

### DIM

Controls backlight brightness.

### PRI (Priority)

Toggles Priority setting for selected or active object.

**FUNC + PRI** toggles Priority Mode on/off.

### SRCH (Search)

Enters Search Mode for dedicated service and frequency searches.

### FAV (Favorites)

Activates Favorites Scan Mode.

**FUNC + FAV** adds current object to the Favorite Scan List.

### FUNC (Function)

Activates alternative key functions.

### WX / [Weather Icon]

Activates Weather Scan.

**FUNC + WX** activates Skywarn mode.

### TUNE

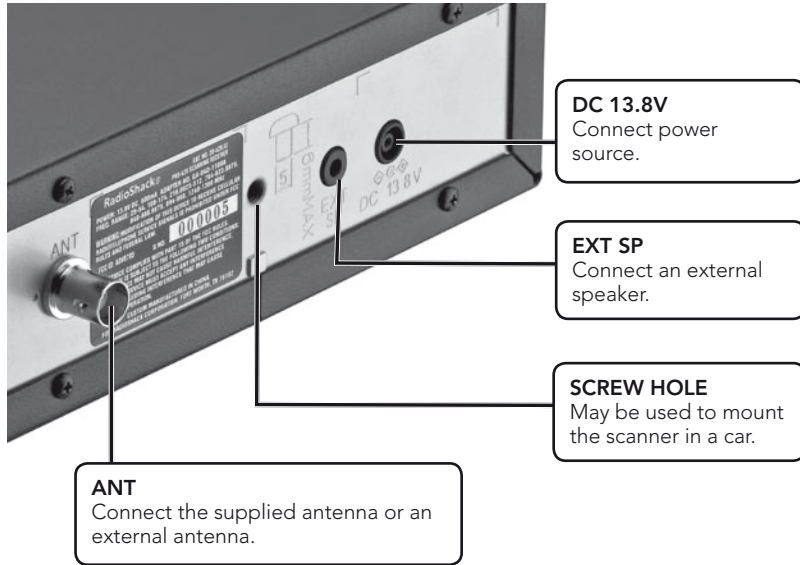
Direct tuning of any valid frequency.

**FUNC + TUNE** loads current or most recently scanned frequency into Tune.

### CLR (Clear)

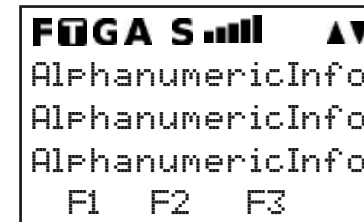
Clears an incorrect entry.

**FUNC + CLR** clears entire field. Moves back to previous menu.



## Understanding the Display

The LCD provides important information about the status of the radio. The top row of icons provide status information. Beneath this row, there are 4 rows of 16 characters each that provide alphanumeric information such as frequencies and object names. The last row usually contains softkeys for F1, F2, and F3.



<b>F</b>	The Function Key (FUNC) has been pressed.
<b>G</b>	The scanner is currently receiving trunking control channel data.
<b>A</b>	The attenuator is set for Global mode.
<b>S</b>	The attenuator is currently active.
<b>S</b>	The radio's squelch circuit is open.
<b>    </b>	Signal meter indicating strength of the received signal.
<b>▲▼</b>	Menu position and search direction indicators.

## Understanding Object Oriented Scanning

Your PRO-197 scanner utilizes an entirely new method of programming called Object Oriented Scanning. In Object Oriented Scanning, all “Scannable Objects” are treated the same. Scannable Objects include talkgroups on trunked radio systems, conventional non-trunked frequencies, limit searches, service searches, and Signal Stalker II configurations. All these Scannable Objects are created, edited, grouped, scanned and deleted using the same methods. Scannable Objects can also be searched, filtered, and locked out.

Scannable Objects are mapped to Scan Lists, which can be named, enabled, and disabled. There is even a Favorites Scan List. It is easy to search for new frequencies or talkgroups and add them to Scan List groups. It is also easy to delete or deactivate objects and Scan Lists that you do not want to listen to, including a powerful temporary lockout mode that allows you to zero in on activity associated with a specific incident, then restore your desired configuration when the incident is over.

Object Oriented Scanning is completely different from any prior scanning receiver technology. Accordingly, some users may find it difficult to visualize and understand how Object Oriented Scanning works. This may be especially true for users who are familiar with more recent scanning receiver technologies.

We suggest that you keep the following Object Oriented Scanning Tenets in mind as you proceed with your study of this manual.

1. Memory organization is nothing more than a large list of Scannable Objects.
2. A Scannable Object is simply “something that can be scanned,” including conventional channels, trunking talkgroups, limit searches, service searches, and Signal Stalker II setups.
3. There are no “systems,” “banks,” “groups,” “sub-groups,” or “ID lists.” There is simply a very large collection of objects, each

with their own attributes. Scannable Objects all exist at the same level or hierarchy within the scanner—no single type of Scannable Object is more important than another, and Scannable Objects do not have dependencies on or links to other Scannable Objects in order for them to function properly.

4. The primary method of grouping the collection of objects is by mapping them to Scan Lists. Mapping a Scannable Object to one or more Scan Lists does not change the physical location of the object in the memory system. When an object is mapped to one or more Scan Lists, the object itself has not moved nor changed from what it is—a simple, standalone object that is part of a larger collection.

### Object abbreviations used in this manual

Object names are abbreviated so that they can easily fit into the 16 character LCD. You should take a moment and become familiar with these abbreviations now.

#### CONV – Conventional Channel Object

A CONV object is a regular, non-trunked frequency used for radio communications. CONV objects are used to store the parameters for any radio channel that is not a part of a trunked system. For example, if you want to monitor specific VHF marine channels, they should be programmed as CONV objects. If you want to monitor your favorite amateur radio channel, it should be stored as a CONV object. If your police or fire department uses a channel, or channels that are not trunked, but part of a “plain old radio system,” they should be stored as CONV objects.

#### TGRP – Trunking Talkgroup Object

Trunking Talkgroups are “virtual” channels that exist on a trunked radio system. A trunked radio system is a radio system where a small group of radio channels are automatically shared between a larger number of users and user groups. This sharing of channels is

managed automatically by a special computer, called a controller, or by other specialized hardware. If you want to monitor a talkgroup on a trunked radio system, you must store that talkgroup's parameters in a TGRP object.

### **TSYS – Trunking System Object**

A TSYS is a special object type that is used when creating TGRP objects. A trunking talkgroup must be associated with a specific trunked radio system in order for it to operate. There are parameters that are associated with trunking systems, such as the type of trunked radio system technology used, the frequencies that the system uses to broadcast control data, etc. Instead of entering these parameters over and over again every time you create a new TGRP, you create a TSYS object with all of the system parameters, then specify that TSYS object for each TGRP you create on the same trunked radio system. A TSYS cannot be scanned by itself and is not considered a Scannable Object. It is a "configuration object" that can be used over and over again when adding talkgroups for a specified trunked radio system.

### **LMIT – Limit Search or Search Range Object**

LMIT objects contain the parameters necessary for the radio to search a range of individual frequencies between a lower and upper limit frequency.

### **SRVC – Service Search Object**

SRVC objects are further divided into Public Safety, Aircraft, Amateur, CB, Marine, and FRS/GMRS/MURS/DOT. SRVC objects are similar to LMIT objects, but are preprogrammed to search all frequencies associated with the selected service.

### **STLK – Signal Stalker II Object**

STLK objects contain the parameters necessary for the radio to rapidly sweep a range of radio spectrum for strong signals from nearby transmitters.

## **Scanner Features**

**Object Oriented User Interface** is designed for ease of use, yet is powerful enough to satisfy the most sophisticated experts. Common data entry, browsing and control methods are used for non-trunked conventional channels, trunking talkgroups, search configurations and Signal Stalker II setups. The radio grows with you—you can start out with a small, easy to manage configuration, then expand it whenever you need to.

**Menu Driven Programming with Context Sensitive Help** – Each menu item provides a few lines of help text that provide assistance with programming and using the scanner.

**Scan List** functionality allows you to arrange, group and scan objects according to your preference.

**Free-Form Memory Organization** – Memory is assigned as objects are created using a sophisticated internal file management system. You are not constrained to traditional bank or channel scanner memory layouts. The scanner can store over 1,800 conventional channels, trunking talkgroups, search configurations, and Signal Stalker II objects in any combination.

**V-Scanner Technology** – Allows you to save complete radio configurations within the radio, for recall into main memory as needed in the field. Twenty one V-Scanner Folders are provided, each capable of storing over 1,800 objects. Total memory capacity of main memory combined with V-Scanners is over 37,800 objects.

**Skywarn Storm Spotter Functionality** – Instant access to frequencies used by storm spotter networks. You can monitor storm conditions as they occur, and become aware of dangerous conditions before the media or emergency management officials announce them to the general public.

**SAME and All Hazards Weather Alerting** – Your scanner can alert you to severe weather and other hazards in the specific areas



that you select. Your scanner can check your local NOAA weather frequency periodically, even while scanning, and alert you when an All Hazards alert occurs.

**Multi-System Trunking** – Scans most common trunked radio system signaling formats, including Motorola, EDACS, LTR and P25 trunked radio networks. Both talkgroup and individual call monitoring are supported.

**Automatic Adaptive Digital Tracking** – When monitoring P25 digital systems, instantly adapts the digital decoder to the digital modulation format of the transmitted signal, then analyzes the signal over 50 times each second and adapts to any subtle changes caused by multipath or fading. No cumbersome manual adjustments are required.

**Digital AGC** – Instantly compensates for low user audio levels that are common on digital systems.

**LTR Home Repeater AutoMove** – Takes the guesswork out of programming LTR trunking systems when the home repeater order is not known. Enter the LTR system frequencies in any order, and the PRO-197 will automatically move the frequencies to the proper home repeater slots as transmissions are received on the system.

**Subaudible Squelch Decoder** – CTCSS and DCS subaudible squelch coding is processed by the same powerful DSP chip that is used for P25 digital decoding. Provides fast and reliable decoding of subaudible squelch signaling with squelch tail elimination.

**Signal Stalker II** – Quickly sweeps the scanner's frequency ranges for transmissions from nearby sources.

**P25 NAC Functionality** – P25 Network Access Code (NAC) is used to provide selective squelch operation on conventional digital channels. Your PRO-197 will detect the NAC that is being used on a P25 conventional digital channel, and allow you to program NAC codes to block transmissions that do not have a matching NAC, including analog traffic on the same frequency.

**Alert LED** – Programmable tri-color LED can be configured to illuminate or flash when certain objects are active. Eight user-defined colors and brightness levels can be specified from thousands of possible combinations.

**Audible alarms** – Programmable audible alarms can be configured to sound when certain Scannable Objects are active. Can be used in conjunction with, or separately from, the Alert LED described above.

**High Speed PC Interface** – Use a USB Scanner programming cable for full duplex mode at 6 times the speed of previous scanner models for PC transfer and 8 times the speed of previous models for radio to radio cloning. High speed scanner programming cables are available at your local RadioShack store or [RadioShack.com](http://RadioShack.com).

**Real-time Signal Strength Indicator** – Shows relative strength of received signals.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** The PRO-197 Digital Scanner will not receive encrypted radio communications, or radio transmissions that utilize ProVoice digital modulation.



## Scanner Setup

### Installing Your Scanner

You can mount your scanner in your vehicle or use it as a base station.

#### Setting up a Mobile Base

You can place your scanner on a desk, shelf, or table to use it as a base station. Because the speaker is on the bottom of the scanner, use the mounting bracket to elevate your scanner off the surface for better sound.

#### To use the scanner on a flat surface:

1. Attach the three protective rubber feet to the mounting bracket.
2. Slide the scanner into the bracket, aligning the scanner's side holes with the holes in the bracket, and then screw the mounting knobs into the scanner.



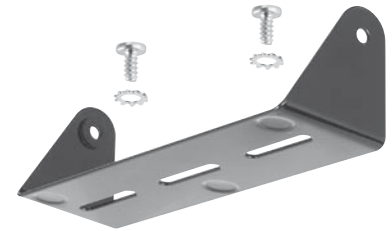
#### Bracket Mounting

You can mount your scanner under or on top of the dashboard a desk, shelf, table or other flat surface, using the mount bracket.

1. Use the supplied mounting bracket as a template to make positions for the two mounting screws.
2. At the marked positions, drill holes slightly smaller than the screws. When drilling holes, avoid obstructions behind the mounting surface.

3. Attach the mounting bracket to your vehicle's surface using the supplied screws and lockwashers.

**Note:** Do not use the rubber feet if you are mounting the bracket with screws.



#### Dashboard Installation

If you are unsure how to install your scanner in your vehicle, consult your automobile manufacturer, dealer, or a qualified installer.

To mount in your dashboard, you must connect an external antenna and speaker.

1. Before installing, confirm your scanner fits in the desired mounting area and you have all the necessary materials. Your scanner requires a 2 x 7 1/8 x 5 5/16 inch (50 x 180 x 135 mm) space.
2. Remove the four rear screws and pull off the black case before installing your scanner.
3. Install the DIN sleeve into the opening in your dashboard, lip facing out.
4. Push out the top and bottom tabs to hold the sleeve firmly in place.
5. Slide the scanner into the sleeve until it locks in place.





To remove your scanner from the DIN sleeve, insert the two keys straight into the scanner's front panel and pull the scanner out.

### Connecting the Antenna

You must install an antenna before you can operate the scanner. The supplied telescopic antenna helps your scanner receive strong local signals. To install the antenna, align the antenna slots with the tabs on the scanner, and slide the antenna into place. Turn and push down until the antenna locks into place.



To connect an external antenna, follow the installation instructions supplied with the antenna. Use 50-ohm coaxial cable, such as RG-58 or RG-8X, to connect an outdoor antenna. For lengths between 50 and 100 feet, use RG-8X low-loss dielectric coaxial cable. For lengths over 100 feet, use RG8. You also may need a BNC adapter (not supplied).

**WARNING:** Use extreme caution when you installing or removing an outdoor antenna. If the antenna starts to fall, let it go! It could contact overhead power lines. If the antenna touches a power line, contact with the antenna, mast, cable, or guy wires can cause electrocution and death. Call the power company to remove the antenna. DO NOT attempt to do so yourself.

### Powering Your Scanner

You can power your scanner from a wall outlet, or from your vehicle's battery.

You must use a power source that supplies 12V DC and delivers at least 600 mA. Its center tip must be set to positive and its plug must fit the scanner's DC 13.8V jack. The supplied AC adapter and DC power cord meet these specifications. Using a power source that does not meet these specifications could damage the scanner or the adapter.

#### Wall Outlet

1. Connect the tip of the supplied AC adapter to the DC 13.8V jack at the rear of your scanner.
2. Plug the AC adapter into your wall outlet.

To prevent electric shock, do not use the AC adapter's polarized plug with an extension cord, receptacle, or outlet unless you can fully insert the blades to prevent blade exposure.

**Note:** To avoid injury, do not connect the provided power adapter to a ceiling outlet.

#### Vehicle (Power Socket)

To power your scanner from a 12V power source in your vehicle, such as a cigarette-lighter socket, you need a 12V, 600 mA DC cigarette-lighter adapter (not supplied), available at your local RadioShack store.

1. Insert the adapter's barrel plug into the scanner's DC 13.8V jack.
2. Plug the adapter's other end into your vehicle's cigarette lighter or power socket.

**Note:** When you use a cigarette-lighter adapter, you might hear electrical noise from your engine while scanning. This is normal. This is less of a problem if you connect directly to the vehicle fuse box.

### Vehicle (Direct)

1. Disconnect the cable from your vehicle battery's negative (-) terminal.
2. Ground the black wire of the supplied DC power cord to your vehicle's chassis. The grounding screw must make complete contact with your vehicle's metal frame.
3. Connect the red wire of the supplied DC power cord to a voltage source that turns on and off with the ignition switch, such as a spare accessory terminal in your vehicle's fuse box.
4. Insert the power cord's barrel plug into the scanner's DC 13.8V jack.
5. Reconnect the cable to your vehicle battery's negative (-) terminal.

### Headphones and Speakers

You can plug headphones or an external speaker (neither included) into your scanner.

To use headphones, connect the plug into the headphone jack on the front panel. Headphones automatically mute the scanner's speaker.

To use an external speaker, connect the plug into the **EXT SP** jack on the rear panel.

### Listening Safety

To protect your hearing, follow these earphone or headphones guidelines:

- Do not listen at extremely high volume levels. Extended high-volume listening can lead to permanent hearing loss.
- Set the volume to the lowest setting before listening. Turn on the scanner, then adjust the volume to a comfortable level.
- After you set the volume, do not increase it. Over time, your ears adapt to the volume level, so a volume level that does not cause discomfort might still damage your hearing.

- Do not wear an earphone or headphones with your scanner when operating a motor vehicle or riding a bicycle in or near traffic. Doing so can create a traffic hazard and could be illegal in some areas.
- Even though some earphones/headphones let you hear some outside sounds when listening at normal volume, they can still be a traffic hazard.

### Transferring Data To or From another Scanner or PC

You can transfer the programmed data to and from another PRO-197 or PRO-106 scanner using a connecting cable which has 1/8-inch (3.5mm) stereo (TRS) phone plugs on both ends (not supplied). See "**Cloning**" on page 71.

You can also upload or download programmed data to or from a PC using a USB cable available through your local **RadioShack** store or at [RadioShack.com](http://RadioShack.com). To find the application software, we recommend using an internet search engine to search for "scanner programming software."

### Turning on the Scanner and Setting Squelch

1. Turn the **VOLUME** and **SQUELCH** knobs clockwise to about their mid-point (12:00 o'clock) position.

**Note:** Make sure the scanner's antenna is connected before you turn it on.

2. Press **TUNE**.
3. Turn **SQUELCH** down (counterclockwise) until you hear noise.
4. Turn **SQUELCH** up (clockwise) a little past where the noise stops. The higher the squelch is set, the stronger the signal required to break the squelch.
5. If noise starts breaking the squelch, turn **SQUELCH** up to decrease the scanner's sensitivity. To hear weaker signals, turn **SQUELCH** down to increase its sensitivity.

## Squelch and Attenuator

The squelch and attenuator control the scanner sensitivity. If squelch is set too high, the scanner may scan slowly or stop on noise or silence. If this happens, adjust squelch using the steps above, or for conventional channels, set the correct subaudible squelch mode. See **“Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference: Conv Menu”** on page 101.

With the attenuator on, the scanner might not receive weak signals, but immunity to adjacent strong signals is improved.

You can reduce interference using two attenuator modes:

- Global – The attenuator setting is applied to all channels, bands, or groups.
- Normal – Lets you set the attenuator in each channel, band, or group.

**Note:** You cannot set the attenuator while scanning.

### To set the attenuator mode in the Global Menu:

1. Press **PROG** for Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey to access GLOB menu.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to **Atten Mode**.
4. Press **◀** or **▶** to select **Global** or **Normal**.
5. When attenuator is set to Global, you can set Global attenuator on or off. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to **Global Atten**.
6. Press **◀** or **▶** to select on or off.
7. Press **SAVE** softkey to save the new setting.

### To set the attenuator mode using the ATT key:

When the scanner is in Manual Mode, Program Mode, Search Mode, Signal Stalker Mode, or when the scan stops:

- Press **ATT** to toggle on and off the attenuator setting.
- Press **FUNC ATT** to toggle on and off the global attenuator setting.

## Basic Settings

The Global menu stores all of the radio-wide settings used by the scanner. The Global menu allows you to “tweak” these settings to your liking. The default settings will work fine for most users, but you may want to use the Global menu to personalize the radio to suit your individual tastes. The most common settings are described in the following sections. Refer to **“Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference: GLOB Menu”** on page 96 for a description of all the settings.

- The active parameter is always the middle parameter and is indicated by a flashing colon (:).
- Some Global parameter changes do not take effect until the Global menu is saved.
- Help is available for every menu parameter. Press **FUNC SEL** to view help for the selected parameter. Press **SEL** to exit help.
- The **Undo** softkey appears in fields where numerical values can be set, allowing you to exit a parameter field without saving changes. A note will appear: **“Unsaved Changes! Go Back?”** Press **YES** to go back to the field and continue editing. Press **NO** to discard changes and return to the previous menu.
- Each menu parameter features a **Deflt** softkey that can be used to restore the value to the factory defaults. This can be very useful if you make a change to a parameter but do not like the result.
- You can restore all Global settings to their defaults without affecting your programmed objects or V-Scanners. Power cycle the radio, then press **0**, then **2** during the welcome message display. Press **ENT** to confirm the Global parameter reset.

### To access GLOB menu:

1. Press **PROG** for Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey to access Global menu.

3. Press ▲ or ▼ to scroll to the desired parameter.

**Note:** Press **FUNC ▲** or **FUNC ▼** to jump to the top or bottom of the menu.

4. Press ◀ or ▶ to select options for selected field.
5. Press **SAVE** softkey to save new settings to radio configuration memory.

### Delay

Sometimes, several seconds can pass between transmissions. To avoid missing a reply, a delay is automatically set for each channel. The scanner stops for 2 seconds after a transmission stops before it resumes scanning or searching.

#### To turn the delay on or off:

Press **FUNC •/Delay** when the scanner stops on a transmission. Lowercase **d** in the display indicates delay is off. Uppercase **D** indicates delay is on.

**Note:** Delay and delay time can also be set in each Scannable Object Menu. Search Delay time can be set in the Global menu. Refer to “**Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference**” on page 96 for a description of delay settings.

### Adjusting the LCD Contrast

You can set the LCD contrast from level 1 to 7.

1. Press **PROG** for Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOBE** softkey to access Global menu.
3. Press ▲ or ▼ to scroll **CONTRAST**.
4. Press ◀ or ▶ to select contrast level 1 to 7.
5. Press **SAVE** softkey to save new setting.

### Turning the Key Tone On or Off

Each time you press any of the scanner's keys, the scanner beeps.

#### To turn the scanner's key tone on or off:

1. Press **PROG** for Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOBE** softkey to access Global menu.
3. Press ▲ or ▼ to scroll to **Key Beeps**.
4. Press ▶ to select **On** or **Off**.
5. Press **SAVE** softkey to save new setting.

### Turning Key and Backlight On or Off

1. Press **PROG** for Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOBE** softkey to access Global menu.
3. Press ▲ or ▼ to scroll to **Light Mode**.
4. Press ▶ to select backlight operation.  
**Norm1** (Normal): Uses the backlight on.  
**St1th** (Stealth): Disables backlight
5. Press **SAVE** softkey to save new setting.

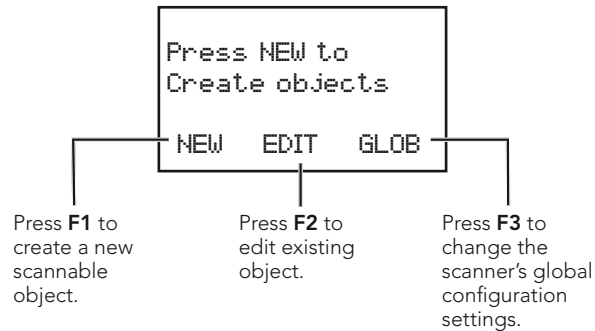
#### To change the backlight mode:

Repeatedly press **DIM** to adjust backlight from Dark, Light Off, or Light.

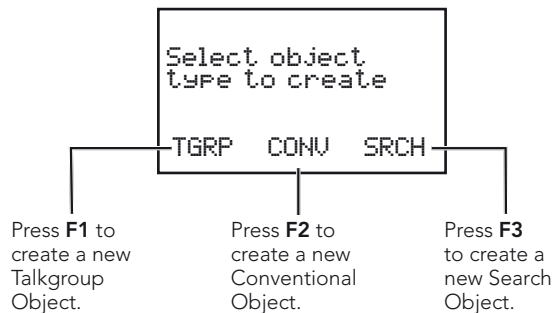
## Creating Scannable Objects

### Understanding Object Menus

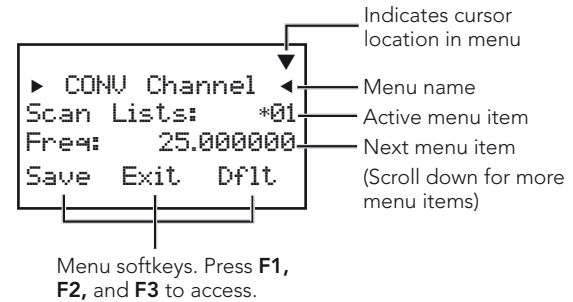
When you turn on your scanner for the first time, the scanner is in Program Mode for you to create your first object into memory. If you do not see this screen, press **PROG**.



1. Press **F1**, the **NEW** softkey, to begin entering a new object.



2. For the purpose of this explanation, press **F2**, the **CONV** softkey.
3. The Conventional Channel menu opens.



### Object menu notes:

- The first line of the display shows either:
  - ▼ to indicate the cursor is at the top position of the menu,
  - ▲ to indicate the cursor is at the bottom, or
  - ▲▼ to indicate there are menu items above and below the cursor.
- The center (third) line of the display contains the blinking cursor indicating the active menu item.
- To see the help text for the active menu item, press **FUNC**, then press **SEL** on the 5-way pushbutton pad. To exit help, press **SEL** again.
- The last line of the display shows the softkeys, which will change with each menu. In this menu, the **Save** softkey will save your new object to the file system, the **Exit** softkey aborts the creation of the new object, and the **Dflt** softkey restores the parameter of the active menu item to its default setting.

- If you press the ▼ key on the bottom of the 5-way pushbutton pad, you can scroll down and see all of the parameters that can be specified for the object.
- Pressing **FUNC ▲** or **FUNC ▼** will jump to the top or bottom of a menu, respectively.
- As you scroll the object menu, you will see a line that states: ▼▼ **EXPERT BELOW ▼▼**. This line is found in the object menus and the Global Configuration menu. It delineates between basic settings and expert settings for advanced users. For more information about the Basic and Expert settings, refer to “**Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference**” on page 96.
- When entering data into a numerical field, you can start typing as soon as you have scrolled to the desired field, which will replace any previous contents with your new entry. Alternatively, you can press the ► key, which will preserve the original contents of the field so you can make small changes without retyping all of the data.

## Conventional Channel Objects

A Conventional Channel Object (CONV) is a record that stores the parameters for a regular, non-trunked conventional AM or FM channel. When you create a CONV object, you are creating an object that will allow you to scan and monitor a “plain old radio channel,” that is, a single frequency and the associated parameters that are necessary for you to receive traffic on that frequency.

### Essential Parameters

CONV objects are the simplest objects supported by the radio. However, there are a few essential parameters in the CONV object fields that must be set correctly. The *frequency* must be set to match the frequency of the transmitter you want to scan or monitor, and the *Modulation (MODE)* should be set to Auto (au), AM, FM, or NFM.

**Note:** When *MODE* is set for Auto, the scanner will automatically select the default mode based on the frequency you enter. In most cases it will not be necessary to change *MODE*.

We also recommend labeling your CONV object by giving it a name in the TAG field. This makes it easier to find the CONV object later and identifies it when the scanner stops to monitor activity.

## Creating a CONV Object

1. Press **PROG** to put scanner in Program Mode.
2. Press **NEW** softkey to create new object.
3. Press **CONV** softkey to enter a conventional channel object.
4. Press ▼ to scroll through the conventional channel object parameters until the flashing cursor appears next to the **Freq:** label.
5. Use the number keys and • to enter the frequency, including the decimal point.
6. Press **ENT** or the **DONE** softkey to store the frequency parameter in your conventional object.

**Note:** Go to [www.radioreference.com](http://www.radioreference.com) for up-to-date frequency information.

## Changing Text Tags

By default, your new conventional object will be tagged “Channel.” We recommend that you rename your CONV object, making it easier to find it later, and identifying it when the scanner stops to monitor activity.

### To change the tag:

1. Press ▼ until the cursor highlights **Tag:**.
2. Press **SEL** to edit the tag.
3. Enter the text using the text keys (up to 16 characters).



- When you press a key, the associated letters appear on the screen. Press the corresponding number. For example, when you press **ABC**, **A**, **B**, and **C** appear on the display. To select **A**, press **1**. To select **B**, press **2**. To select **C**, press **3**.
  - For example, to enter the tag "FIRE":  
 Press **3 (DEF)**, then **3** to choose **F**  
 Press **4 (GHI)**, then **3** to choose **I**  
 Press **7 (PQRS)**, then **3** to choose **R**  
 Press **3 (DEF)**, then **2** to choose **E**
  - To enter a number, press **1**, then press the number key.
  - To enter lowercase character or second-set character for the 0 key, press the text key and then press **FUNC**.
  - Press **◀** or **▶** to move the cursor to another digit to make adjustments.
  - Press **CLR** to clear text. Press **FUNC CLR** to clear the entire field.
4. Press **ENT** or the **DONE** softkey to store new tag information.

See "Appendix C: Text Entry and QuickText" on page 115 for more information on entering text.

## Trunking Talkgroup Objects (TGRP)

A Trunking Talkgroup Object (TGRP) is a record that stores the parameters for a trunked talkgroup on a trunked radio system. A TGRP object allows you to scan and monitor a talkgroup on a particular trunked radio system.

### Essential Parameters

As a standalone object, a TGRP object is similar to a CONV object. However, for trunking to work, the trunking system (TSYS) and the talkgroup ID must be specified. We also recommend that you label your TGRP object by giving it a name in the TAG field, making it easier to find the TGRP object later, and identifying it when the scanner stops to monitor activity.

## Trunking System (TSYS) Objects

The first time you make a TGRP for a particular trunked radio system, you must also create a TSYS object that contains the system parameters associated with that trunked radio system. Once you create a TSYS, you can use it over and over again without having to re-enter all of the system data.

A TSYS object has its own set of essential parameters, and these parameters vary depending on the type of trunked radio system you plan to monitor. If you are a reasonably experienced user, you probably already know what the essential parameters are for the system you wish to monitor. For example, each TSYS must correctly specify the type of system being monitored, the control channel or LCN frequencies used by the system, and so on. A detailed description of each type of system supported by this radio and the essential parameters required to make them work properly is provided in "Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference: TSYS Menu" on page 106.

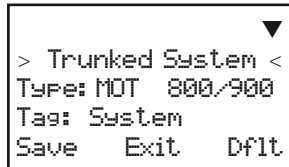
**Note:** By default all new objects are mapped to Scan List 01. Refer to "Grouping Objects with Scan Lists" on page 39 for more information on Scan Lists.

### To create a new TSYS object.

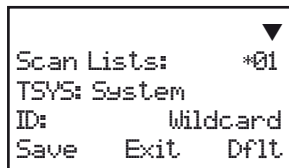
1. Press **PROG** to put scanner in Program Mode.
2. Press **NEW** softkey to create new object.
3. Press **TGRP** softkey to create a trunking system object.



- Press ▲ or ▼ to scroll through the talkgroup object parameters until the cursor is at **TSYS:**.
- Press **SEL**.



- The cursor should be on **TYPE:**.
- Press ◀ or ▶ to select the desired trunking system.
- Press ▼ to scroll to **Tag:** and enter a new name for the system. See **“Appendix C: Text Entry and QuickText”** on page 115 for information on entering text.
- Press ▼ to scroll to **Frequencies:** to enter the control frequencies for the system.
- Press **SEL**.
- At **Ch01:**, use the number keys and • to enter the first control channel frequency for the system.
- Press ▼ and repeat Step 11 to add any other control channels used by the system.
- Press the **SAVE** softkey to save.
- Press **SAVE** softkey again to store the new **TSYS** into memory and return to the **TGRP** menu.



- Press ▼ to scroll to **ID:**.  
By default, the trunking talkgroup ID is set to **wildcard**.  
To change the ID, press the number keys to enter the specific talkgroup ID. Press **ENT** or **DONE** softkey to store the ID.  
See **“Talkgroup Notes”** below for more information about wildcard and other talkgroup configurations.
- Press ▼ to scroll down to **Tag:** and enter a name for your talkgroup that corresponds with its purpose on the trunked radio system. See **“Appendix C: Text Entry and QuickText”** on page 115 for information on entering text.
- Press **ENT** or the **DONE** softkey to store the name, then press **SAVE** softkey to store the **TGRP** as a new object.

Refer to **“Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference: **TSYS** Menu”** on page 106 for more parameters that can be customized for your system.

### Talkgroup Notes:

- A talkgroup object may be configured in one of four different ways to monitor traffic on a trunked radio system.
  - Wildcard Talkgroup:** will monitor all talkgroup call radio traffic on the desired trunked radio system. (Press **Dflt** in the **ID:** field to use **wildcard** for **TGRP** object.)
  - Talkgroup with TGID:** will only monitor talkgroup call radio traffic on the specified **TGID**. (Enter the desired talkgroup in the **ID:** field of the **TGRP** object to scan a specified **ID**.)
  - Wildcard Private Call:** will monitor all private call radio traffic on the desired trunked radio system. (Press **Dflt** in the **TGID** field to get **wildcard**, and set the **Type** field to **Private**.)
  - Private Call with ID:** will only monitor private call radio traffic on the specified **TGID**. (Enter the desired Radio **ID** in the **TGID** field, and set the **Type** field to **Private**.)

**Wildcard Talkgroup Notes:**

- Wildcard is a special type of TGRP object that allows you to monitor all talkgroup call traffic on the associated trunked radio system.
- Wildcard TGRP objects allow you to quickly find and store new or unknown talkgroups on a trunked radio system.
- When a Wildcard TGRP object is mapped to an active Scan List and scanned, all talkgroup traffic on the system is monitored, and you have the option to save or lock out new talkgroups as they appear.
- Wildcard objects are easier to find and change later if you include an abbreviated name for the system in the tag field.
- TGRP objects are also used to receive Private/Individual Calls on trunking systems that support these call types.

**Duplicate (DUPE)**

Duplicate (DUPE) is useful when entering multiple TGRP objects that are hosted on the same trunked radio system, or multiple CONV objects that have similar parameters or tag names.

1. Press **PROG**.
2. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to the object that you wish to duplicate.
3. Press the **EDIT** softkey, then press the **DUPE** softkey.

An exact copy of the object you selected is created, and the scanner displays the newly created object menu so you can change the parameters that need to be changed. Be sure to change the tag name before saving your new object.

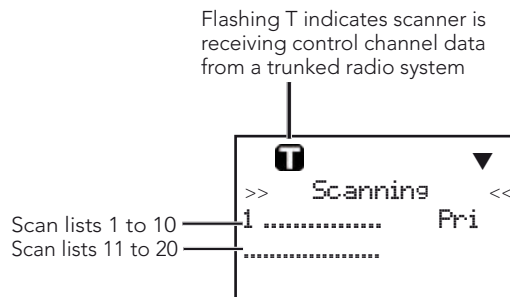
4. Press the **SAVE** softkey to save the new object.

**Note:** As soon as you press **DUPE**, a duplicate of the selected object is created and saved in memory. Be sure to delete any objects that you create accidentally. See “Deleting Objects” on page 44.

**Basic Scanning Operation**

Before the scanner can begin to scan, you must have created scannable objects. Your scanner will scan any scannable objects that are members of enabled Scan Lists and are not locked out.

1. Press **SCAN** to start scanning.



2. Press **PAUSE** to pause scanner on an active object in scan mode. Press **SCAN** or **PAUSE** to resume scan.

**Wildcard Scanning**

A **Wildcard TGRP** object allows you to receive all radio traffic on a trunked radio system. It works by catching talkgroup calls on the system that are not already stored as objects in the radio’s memory.

In order for the Wildcard TGRP to function properly, the radio needs to be in SCAN Mode. This is what enables the scanner to find the previously stored TGRP objects that need to be checked before declaring that the found talkgroup is new and should be scanned as a Wildcard “hit.”

If you park on a Wildcard TGRP object in Manual Mode, the scanner is not able to “see” the previously stored TGRP objects, and every call on the trunked radio system will come up as a wildcard hit.

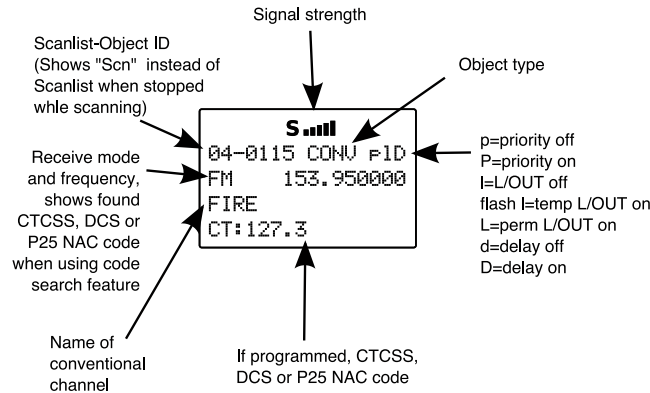
### Manual Mode

In Manual Mode, you can browse through the stored objects in your scanner and select an object to monitor.

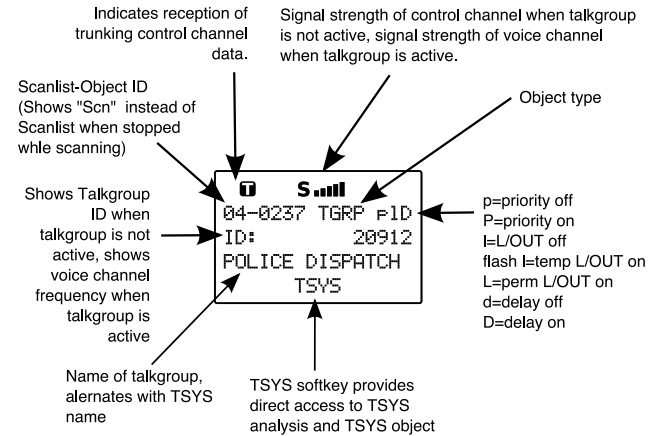
1. Press **MAN** during scanning to enter Manual Mode.
2. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll through the objects assigned to the current Scan List.
3. Press **◀** or **▶** to browse up and down through the Scan Lists.

Only Scan Lists that contain objects are shown when browsing. A quick low-high wrap beep sounds when the scanner reaches the last occupied Scan List and wraps back to the beginning.

The following screen appears when the scanner is stopped on a conventional channel while scanning.



The following screen appears when the scanner is stopped on a talkgroup channel while scanning.

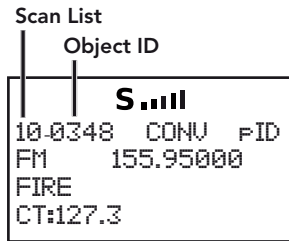


## Organizing Objects

### Object Numbering

Your PRO-197 is different from other types of scanners in how it stores your Scannable Objects in memory. Instead of fixed channels and banks, objects are stored in the first available block of free memory and an Object ID is assigned. The Object ID is the “address” where the object is stored in memory.

The Object ID and the current Scan List number are displayed whenever an object is selected in Manual Mode and Program Mode. The Object ID is also displayed when the scanner stops on an active object while scanning.



For example: 10-0348 means Object ID **0348** is mapped to Scan List **10**.

#### To directly access an object using Object ID:

1. Press **MAN** or **PROG** to enter Manual Mode or Program Mode.
2. Use the number keys to enter the Object ID, then press **ENT**.

**Note:** Objects are not really “in” a Scan List. Objects are “mapped” to Scan Lists, meaning that an object can be a member of one or more Scan Lists. Using the ▲ or ▼ keys to scroll up or down while viewing a Scan List, will show all the other objects mapped to that list.

### Grouping Objects with Scan Lists

By default, new objects are automatically assigned to Scan List 01. You can divide these objects into separate Scan Lists so that you can easily enable or disable groups of objects depending on what you want to scan.

The number of objects that can be grouped in a Scan List is limited only by the scanner’s memory, and single objects can be members of multiple Scan Lists.

There are 20 regular Scan Lists available, a special “FAV” Scan List for one-button access to your favorite Scannable Objects, and a Skywarn Scan List.

You can also mix and match different object types in Scan Lists as you see fit. There are no limitations as to the type of objects that can exist together in the same Scan List.

How you group objects in Scan Lists is entirely up to you. Here are some examples of how objects can be grouped:

**Geographically:** You may wish to group your Scannable Objects according to the areas where they are used. This may be useful if you use your scanner while traveling.

**By trunking system:** It is possible to assign any combination of object types to any Scan List. However, you may wish to assign TGRP objects associated with specific trunked radio systems to specific Scan Lists, so you can easily enable or disable monitoring of each system by enabling or disabling the associated Scan List.

**By object type:** It may be desirable to segregate object types by assigning them to specific Scan Lists. For example, if you assign a group of LMIT or SRVC searches to a single Scan List, you can easily activate or deactivate searching on those objects by enabling or disabling the associated Scan List.

**By application:** You can group objects by their application. For example, you may wish to place law enforcement related objects for your area in one Scan List, fire and rescue objects in another, and business related objects in yet another Scan List.

**By Favorites:** The Favorites (FAV) Scan List is a powerful tool that can be used to quickly narrow (or expand) your scanning profile. When you press the **FAV** key, the radio suspends scanning of all objects in the radio except for those that are mapped to the FAV Scan List.

## Changing Scan List Membership

### New Objects

1. Press **PROG** to put scanner in Program Mode.
2. Press **NEW** softkey to create new object.
3. Press the softkey for the object you want to create.
4. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to **Scan Lists:**.
5. Press **◀** or **▶** to scroll the Scan Lists until you find the one you want to enable or disable.
6. Press **SEL** to select between **On** or **Off**. The asterisk (\*) next to the Scan List number indicates that the object is a member of that Scan List.
7. Press **Save** softkey to save the new object.

### Existing Objects.

1. Press **PROG** to put scanner in Program Mode.
2. Press **▲**, **▼**, **◀** or **▶** to scroll to the object you want to change.
3. Press **EDIT** softkey.
4. Press **CURR** softkey to edit the current object.
5. Scroll down to **Scan Lists:**

6. Press **▶** to scroll through the Scan Lists.
7. Press **SEL** to select **On** or **Off** for the desired scan list item. The asterisk (\*) next to the Scan List number indicates that the object is a member of that Scan List.
8. Press **Save** softkey to save your changes.

## Naming Scan Lists

1. Press **PROG** to put scanner in Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to **Scan Lists:**.
4. Press **SEL**.
5. Press **▶** to edit the settings for the selected Scan List.
6. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to **Tag:**, then press **▶**.
7. Use the number keys to enter a name. See **“Appendix C: Text Entry and QuickText”** on page 115 for information on entering text.
8. Press **Done** softkey when finished.
9. Press **Save** softkey to save changes to the Global menu.

## Enabling or Disabling Scan Lists

### While Scanning

#### Scan List 1-10

Press the number keys that corresponds with the Scan List you want to select.

For example, pressing **4** while scanning will toggle the state of Scan List 04 from enabled to disabled, or vice versa if the Scan List is already disabled.

**Scan List 11-20**

Press **FUNC**, then press a number key, i.e., press **FUNC 3** to toggle the status of Scan List 13.

**Note:** If you enable a Scan List that has no assigned objects, the number for that Scan List will flash in the display while the scanner is scanning.

**From Global Settings Menu**

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to **Scan Lists:** and press **SEL**.
4. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to the Scan List you wish to change then press **SEL**.
5. Press **▶** to scroll to **Enabled:** and press **◀** or **▶** to select On or Off.  
The asterisk (\*) indicates Scan List enabled.
6. Press the **Save** softkey to save settings.
7. Press **Save** softkey again to confirm global changes and exit **GLOB** menu.

**NS (Not Scanned) Scan List**

If you accidentally store an object with no Scan List mappings, the object will be placed in a special "NS" Scan List.

**To access NS scan List:**

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode or press **MAN** to enter Manual Mode.
2. Press **◀** or **▶** to scroll to the NS Scan List.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll through the NS objects.

4. Press **PROG**.
5. Press **EDIT** softkey.
6. Press **CURR** softkey to view object menu.
7. Scroll down to **Scan Lists:**
8. Press **▶** to scroll through the Scan Lists.
9. Press **SEL** to select **On** or **Off** the desired scan list item. The asterisk (\*) next to the Scan List number indicates that the object is a member of that Scan List.

**Favorite List****To add an object to Favorites:**

In scan mode, Manual mode or Program mode, press **FUNC**, then **FAV**.

Each scannable object menu also has a **FAV** option. Select **YES** to add to Favorites.

When **FAV** is set to **YES**, the object is a member of the Favorites Scan List in addition to any other Scan Lists that it is mapped to.

**To activate FAV scan:**

Press **FAV** and the radio suspends scanning of all objects in the radio except for those that are in your Favorites list.

**To clear FAV scan list:**

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press the **GLOB** softkey.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to **Clear FAV:**
4. Press **SEL** to set **FAV = NO** for all objects.
5. Press **YES** softkey to confirm.
6. Press **Save** softkey.



### Setting the Default Scan List

By default, your scanner will store all new objects, and objects found during Search, Tune, and Stalker as mapped to Scan List 01.

You can easily change the default Scan List to any Scan List you specify, including the special FAV and Skywarn Scan Lists.

1. Press **PROG**.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey.
3. Press **▼** to scroll down to **Dflt ScanList**.
4. Enter new Scan List number to use as default scan list.
  - 0: The "not scanned" (ns) Scan List. Objects with no Scan List mapping.
  - 1 - 20: Normal Scan Lists
  - 21: FAV Scan List
  - 22: Skywarn Scan List.
5. Press **ENT** or the **Done** softkey to store your new default Scan List value.
6. Press **SAVE** softkey to save your changes.

### Deleting Objects

#### To delete an object:

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press **▲**, **▼**, **◀** or **▶** to navigate to the object you wish to delete.
3. Press **FUNC CLR** to delete the object.

The scanner will ask you to confirm the delete command before removing the object from the scanner's memory. Deletions cannot be un-done.

#### To delete a TSYS using the FIND feature:

1. See "**Searching for Objects using FIND**" below.
2. Once the TSYS has been located, press the **PROG** key, then press **FUNC CLR**.
3. Press the **YES** softkey at both warnings to delete the TSYS.

**WARNING:** All TGRPs associated with the deleted TSYS will be lost.

#### To delete a TSYS using the TSYS filter.

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press the **EDIT** softkey.
3. Press **▶▶▶**, and press the **TSYS** softkey.
4. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to the desired TSYS, then press **FUNC CLR**.
5. Press the **YES** softkey at both delete warnings to delete the TSYS.

**WARNING:** All TGRPs associated with the deleted TSYS will be lost.

### Searching for Objects using FIND

The FIND feature allows you to search for locked out objects, or for objects containing a text string that you specify. FIND searches for your specified text in the following places:

- TGRP objects: ID and Tag fields.
- CONV objects: Frequency and Tag fields.
- TSYS, LMIT, SRVC and STLK objects: Tag field

#### To find locked out objects:

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press **EDIT** softkey.

3. Press **FIND** softkey.
  4. Press **L/Out.** softkey. The scanner finds the first locked out object.
  5. Press **L/Out.** to toggle lockout status.
  6. Press **EXIT** softkey when finished.
- or** Press **EDIT** softkey to edit object menu for the selected object.
- or** Press **NEXT** softkey to find the next locked out object.
- or** Press **MAN** to begin monitoring the object in Manual Mode.
- or** Press **PROG** to exit FIND and execute programming tasks at the selected object position.

#### To find objects with a specified text string:

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
  2. Press **EDIT** softkey.
  3. Press **FIND** softkey.
  4. Press **Text.** softkey
  5. Use the number keys to enter the text string you wish to search for. Or press the **Q.t.x.t.** softkey to use QuickText in your find text screen. See **“Appendix C: Text Entry and QuickText”** on page 115 for information on entering text.
  6. Press **OK** softkey to begin searching.  
The radio will stop on any object where your text string is found in the frequency, tag, or ID fields as described above.
  7. Press the **Exit.** softkey to cancel the FIND operation.
- or** Press **EDIT** softkey to edit object menu for the selected object.
- or** Press **NEXT** softkey to find the next object.

- or** Press **MAN** to begin monitoring the object in Manual Mode.
- or** Press **PROG** to exit FIND and execute programming tasks at the selected object position.

**Note:** *FIND keeps the last search text you specified stored for subsequent FIND operations.*

#### Filtering by Object Type

When browsing objects in Program Mode, you can filter the objects that are displayed by their type.

1. Press the **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press **EDIT** softkey.
3. Press **◀** or **▶** to scroll to display the filter softkeys. The filter softkeys are as follows:  

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CONV
TGRP
TSYS
SRCH
STLK

```
4. Press the softkey that corresponds with that object type to filter.
5. Press **▲**, **▼**, **◀** or **▶** to browse filtered objects.

#### Object Lockout

When an object is locked out, traffic is not received on that object until it is unlocked, even if the object is mapped to more than one Scan List. Locking out an object locks it out “radio-wide” until it is enabled by toggling the lockout setting.

Four types of lockout functions are available: temporary lockout, permanent lockout, search lockout, and talkgroup lockout.

### Temporary Lockout

Temporary lockout locks out an object until the scanner is turned off. When the scanner is powered on again, all objects that have been temporarily locked out are restored.

#### To temporarily lockout an object:

1. When the scanner stops on an object, press **L/OUT**.
- or**
1. In Manual Mode or Program Mode, press **▲**, **▼**, **◀** or **▶** to select an object.
  2. Press **L/OUT**.

The lowercase "l" in the display flashes to indicate the object is temporary lockout.

#### To unlock a temporary lockout object:

1. In Manual Mode or Program Mode, press **▲**, **▼**, **◀** or **▶** to select an object.
2. Press **L/OUT**.

**HINT:** You can also toggle lockout anytime you are viewing an object menu in Program Mode by pressing **L/OUT**.

### Permanent Lockout

Permanent lockout locks out an object until you explicitly unlock it. No traffic will be received on the locked out object while permanent lockout is active.

1. When the scanner stops on an object, press **FUNC**, then **L/OUT**.
- or**
1. In Manual Mode or Program Mode, press **▲**, **▼**, **◀** or **▶** to select an object.
  2. Press **FUNC**, then **L/OUT**.

#### To unlock a permanent lockout:

1. In Manual Mode or Program Mode, press **▲**, **▼**, **◀** or **▶** to select an object.
2. Press **FUNC**, then **L/OUT**.

#### Change L/OUT Key Function

By default, the **L/OUT** key activates temporary lockout when pressed. To change the **L/OUT** key to activate a permanent lockout when pressed:

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to **TLO=FUNC L/O:**.
4. Press **▶** and select **YES** to change the **L/OUT** button to be a permanent lockout instead of a temporary lockout.

#### Search Lockout

Search lockout works with certain search objects, including LMIT searches, some SRVC searches, and STLK objects. Frequency lockout is used to lock out undesired frequencies that are found during searches.

#### To apply search lockout during a search:

When scanner stops on the undesired frequency, press the **FrL/O** softkey.

#### To edit or clear the search lockout list:

1. Press **PROG**.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey.
3. Scroll down to **SRCH L/Outs:** and press **SEL**.
4. Scroll to the frequencies you wish to remove from the lockout list and press **Del** softkey to remove them from the list.

5. Scroll to an empty spot and enter any frequency you wish to manually add to the list.
6. To clear the entire list, press **FUNC**, then the **Del** softkey.

### Talkgroup Lockout

Talkgroup lockout is similar to search lockout, as it allows you to lockout undesired talkgroups while searching for new talkgroup activity with wildcard TGRP objects.

When you lock out an undesired talkgroup that is found by a Wildcard TGRP object, the radio creates a new TGRP object in the radio's memory, then locks that TGRP object out, so that the next time it appears on the system, the radio will ignore any traffic on that TGRP.

#### To lockout an undesired wildcard hit:

When the scanner stops on an undesired talkgroup, press the **TGL/O** softkey.

#### To unlock or edit talkgroups locked out using the wildcard lockout feature:

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
  2. Press **▲**, **▼**, **◀** or **▶** to select a locked out talkgroup.
  3. Press **FUNC**, then **L/OUT** to remove permanent lockout from the talkgroup.
- or** Press **FUNC**, then **CLR** to delete the TGRP object from the scanner.
- or** Press the **EDIT**, then the **CURR** softkey to edit and save the TGRP object.

## Object Searches

A powerful feature of your PRO-197 is the ability to define different types of frequency searches and process them while scanning. Frequency searches are just another type of Scannable Object in the hierarchy of the radio's memory organization, so they can be manipulated and scanned in the same manner as conventional channels and trunking talkgroups.

### Limit Search Object (LMIT)

A Limit Search Object (LMIT) is a search object that stores the parameters necessary for the radio to search each frequency within a lower and an upper limit for activity. A LMIT object can be used for standalone searching—the radio just searches and stops when activity is detected on a frequency, or for searching that is performed while the radio is scanning. The radio treats LMIT objects just like any other Scannable Object when in Scan Mode.

When used in Scan Mode, this capability is best suited for small ranges of frequencies that contain more frequencies than practical to program as individual channels. Any size range can be used, but larger ranges that take more time to search will increase the chances of missed activity on other object types.

### Essential Parameters

**FrLo:** Lower frequency limits to begin search

**FrHi:** Upper frequency limits to end search

**Mode:** By default the scanner will automatically choose the receive mode that most likely applies to the active frequency as the search proceeds.

**Tag:** (Recommended) Name your LMIT so you can easily find or identify it later.

See “**Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference: LMIT Menu**” on page 108 for detailed menu information.

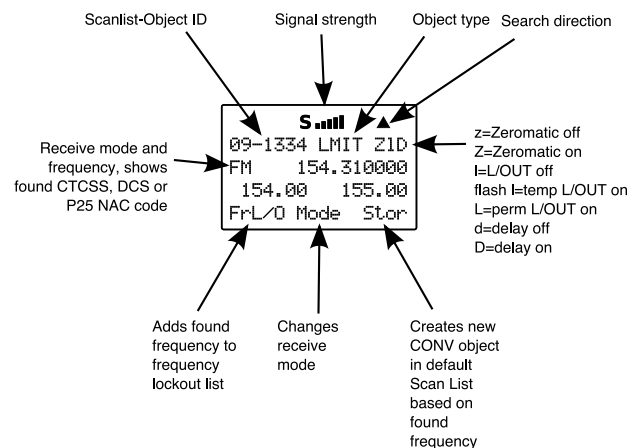
### To create a new LMIT object:

1. Press **PROG** for Program Mode.
2. Press **NEW** softkey.
3. Press **SRCH** softkey to view available Search types.
4. Press **LMIT** softkey.
5. Press **▲** or **▼** to select **FrLo :** and **FrHi:** then press **SEL** to select the field.
6. Use the number keys and **•** to enter lower and upper search units and press **ENT** or the **DONE** softkey to save.
7. Press **▲** or **▼** to select **Tag:**.
8. Use the number keys to enter a name for the LMIT object. See “**Appendix C: Text Entry and QuickText**” on page 115 for information on entering text.
9. Press **ENT** or the **DONE** softkey to save.
10. Press **Save** softkey to store your LMIT search as an object.

### To activate LMIT search:

1. Press **MAN** during scanning to enter Manual Mode.
2. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll through the LMIT objects.
3. Press the **SRCH** softkey. LMIT search will stop on an active frequency.

**Note:** Be sure to press the **SRCH** softkey, and not the **SRCH** key on the keypad.



3. Press **PAUSE** to hold on the active frequency. Press **PAUSE** again to resume.

**Note:** It can take some time to process all of the frequencies in a LMIT search. You can experiment with different size frequency ranges to find a LMIT search setup that does not interfere excessively with scanning of other object types.

## Service Search Object (SRVC)

A Service Search Object (SRVC) is similar to a LMIT search but is optimized for a specific radio service, and can search for activity associated with a type of service across multiple frequency bands. See “**Dedicated SRVC Search**” on page 58 or “**Appendix A: Search Bands**” on page 94 for Service Band frequency information.

### Essential Parameters

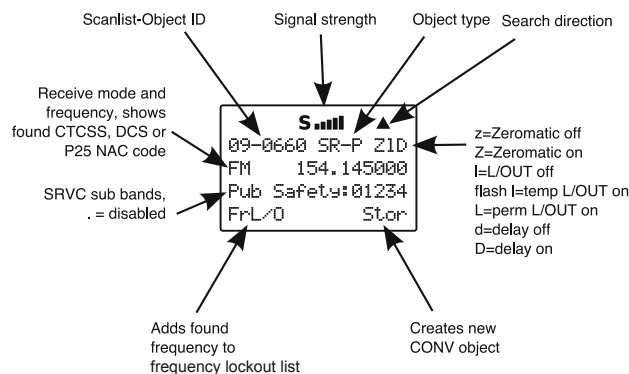
Service type is the critical parameter needed for a Service Search to function. See “**Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference: SRVC Menu**” on page 110 for detailed menu information.

**To create a new SRVC object**

1. Press **PROG** for Program Mode.
2. Press **NEW** softkey, then press **SRCH** softkey to view the available Search types.
3. Press the **SRVC** softkey.
4. Press **▼** to scroll to the **Srvc:** field.
5. Press **◀** or **▶** to select the type of search you want to define. Service types include Public Safety, Aircraft, Amateur, CB, Marine, FRS/GMRS/MURS/DOT and Railroad.
6. Press **Save** softkey to store your SRVC search as an object.

**To activate SRVC search:**

1. Press **MAN** during scanning to enter Manual Mode.
2. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll through the objects to **SRVC**.
3. Press the **SRCH** softkey to activate the SRVC search. SRVC search stops when an active frequency is found.



4. To resume searching, press **▲**.

**Signal Stalker II Object (STLK)**

A Signal Stalker Object (STLK) stores the parameters necessary for the radio to rapidly sweep a range of frequencies for strong signals from nearby transmitters. A STLK object can be used for standalone operation—the radio just sweeps and stops when activity is detected, or for stalking that is performed while the radio is scanning. During scanning, the radio will check for activity on all the enabled Scannable Objects: TGRP objects, CONV objects, LMIT objects and STLK objects.

**Essential Parameters**

By default, a newly created STLK object is ready to go without any changes. In its default configuration, the STLK object will sweep through all of the important land mobile radio bands and look for strong signal activity from nearby transmitters. You may wish to include or exclude some bands in your sweeps in order to check other frequency ranges or to limit the amount of time the scanner spends sweeping frequency ranges where local transmitter activity is less likely. See **“Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference: STLK Menu”** on page 113 for detailed menu information.

**To create a new STLK object:**

1. Press **PROG** to place your scanner into Program Mode.
2. Press **NEW** softkey, then press **SRCH** softkey to view the available Search types.
3. Press **STLK** softkey.
4. Scroll down to **Type:** and press **▶** if you want to change between **All Bands** and **Public Safety**.

Refer to **“Appendix A: Search Bands”** on page 94 for sub-band frequencies.

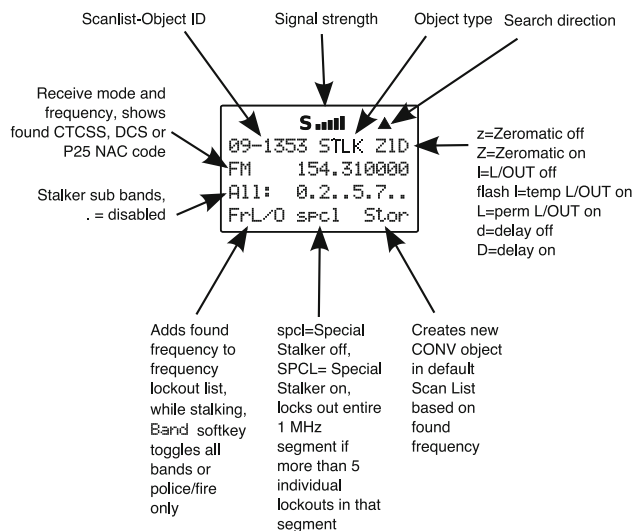
**If you want to include or exclude sub bands:**

1. Scroll down to **Sub-bands:** and press **◀** or **▶** to scroll through the sub-bands.

2. Press **SEL** to select **On** or **Off**. An asterisk (\*) indicates the sub band is enabled.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to select **Tag:** to name your STLK object.
4. Use the number keys to enter a name. See **“Appendix C: Text Entry and QuickText”** on page 115 for information on entering text.
5. Press **Save** softkey to store your STLK search as an object.

#### To activate STLK search:

1. Press **MAN** during scanning to enter Manual Mode.
2. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll through the objects to **STLK**.
3. Press the **STLK** softkey.



## Dedicated Searches

Your scanner provides fast access to dedicated frequency search modes that allow you to execute searches or run Signal Stalker II without having to go through the process of setting up and saving a search object. This is handy for those times where you need to run a search quickly. Dedicated search modes do not create new search objects or use previously created search objects.

The **SRCH** key provides immediate access to the dedicated search modes. Pressing the **SRCH** key cycles through each search mode in this order: Limit, Railroad, Public Safety, Aircraft, Ham, CB, Marine, and FRS/GMRS/MURS/DOT.

## Dedicated LMIT Search

Your scanner's dedicated LMIT search mode provides you with the ability to create a limit search with a search frequency range between upper and lower limit frequencies that you specify and perform the limit search directly without creating a new LMIT object. You can then monitor that frequency range for transmissions.

#### To enter LMIT mode:

1. Press **SRCH** repeatedly until the display indicates LMIT search.
2. Press the **Lmt.S** softkey to set the lower and upper frequency limits for your limit search.

**Note:** When a signal is being received, the **Lmt.S** softkey (F1) changes to **FrL/O**. You can access the **Lmt.S** softkey by pressing **FUNC F1** when the **F1** key function is **FrL/O**.

3. Press **▲** or **▼** to change the search direction.
4. Press the **MODE** softkey to change the receive mode (AM, FM, NFM) from the default for the current frequency range (auto).



5. Press the **FrL** softkey to add a found frequency to the lockout list.
6. Press the **STOR** softkey to create a new CONV object using the found frequency.

## Dedicated SRVC Search

Your scanner's dedicated SRVC search modes provide you with the ability to instantly access each of the scanner's service search ranges without creating a new SRVC object.

### To activate dedicated SRVC search mode:

1. Press **SRCH** repeatedly until the desired service search is indicated on the display. The following service searches are available:
  - **Railroad**: Searches the Association of American Railroads (AAR) VHF railroad frequencies used in the US and Canada
  - **Public Safety (PubSafety)**: Searches commonly used public safety frequencies.

	Freq. (MHz)	Band
0	33.4-46.5	VHF Low Band
1	151-170	VHF High Band
2	453-467	UHF Band
3	764-806	700 MHz Band
4	851-869	800 MHz Band

- **Aircraft** - Searches civilian and military air frequencies.

	Freq. (MHz)	Band
0	108-118	Navigation
1	118-137	Civilian Voice
2	138-150	Military Voice (excludes 2m Amateur)
3	225-400	Military Voice

- **Ham** - Searches amateur radio frequencies.

	Freq. (MHz)	Band
0	28.0-29.7	10m Band
1	50-54	6m Band
2	144-148	2m Band
3	222-225	1.25cm Band
4	420-450	70cm Band
5	902-928	33cm Band
6	1240-1300	23cm Band

- **CB** - Searches the citizen's band radio frequencies.
  - **Marine** - Searches the VHF-FM marine radio band.
  - **FRS/GMRS/MURS/DOT/STAR (F/G/MURS)** Searches the FRS, GMRS, MURS, DOT and STAR radio frequencies.
2. Use the numeric keypad to toggle the sub bands on and off while searching.
  3. Press **▲** or **▼** to change the search direction.
  4. Press the **FrL** softkey to add a found frequency to the lockout list.
  5. Press the **STOR** softkey to create a new CONV object using the found frequency.

### Dedicated Signal Stalker II

Dedicated STLK mode lets you access and run Signal Stalker II easily and quickly.

In Manual, Program or Scan mode, press **FUNC SCAN** to access the Signal Stalker II dedicated mode.

**Note:** When a signal is being received, the **Band** softkey (F1) changes to **FrL/O**. You can access the **Band** softkey by pressing **FUNC F1** when the **F1** key function is **FrL/O**.

Operation of the dedicated Signal Stalker II mode is almost identical to that of the object mode, with one exception. When dedicated Signal Stalker II mode is used, you may press the numeric key on the keypad that corresponds with the sub-band you wish to enable or disable. Disabling a sub-band will cause the Signal Stalker II system to skip the frequencies within that sub-band as it performs its sweeps.

#### Signal Stalker II sub-bands:

	Freq. (MHz)	Band
0	25-54 MHz	VHF Low Band
1	108-137	VHF Aircraft Band
2	137-174 MHz	VHF High Band
3	216-300	220 MHz Commercial/Amateur Band
4	300-406	UHF Military Air Band
5	406-470	UHF Band
6	470-512	UHF-T Band
7	764-806	700 MHz Band
8	806-869	800 MHz Band
9	896-1300 MHz	900 MHz Band, 23 cm Amateur Band

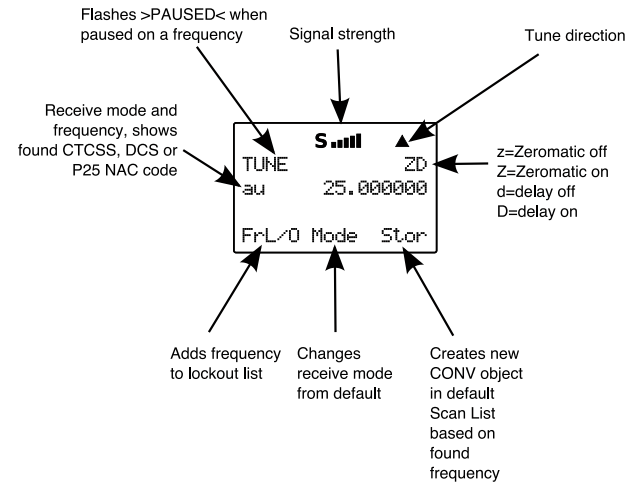
### Public Safety sub bands:

	Freq. (MHz)	Band
0	33.4-46.5	VHF Low Band
1	151-170	VHF High Band
2	453-467	UHF Band
3	764-806	700 MHz Band
4	851-869	800 MHz Band

### Dedicated TUNE Search

Your scanner's dedicated TUNE mode provides you with the ability to quickly enter any frequency and monitor that frequency for transmissions, or search up or down from that frequency for activity.

- To enter TUNE mode, press **TUNE**. The scanner displays the TUNE screen.



By default, TUNE mode is paused when first activated.

2. Press **PAUSE** to begin searching from the current frequency.
  3. Press **▲** or **▼** to change the search direction.
- or** Press **FrL/0** softkey to add a found frequency to the lockout list.
- or** Press the **MODE** softkey to change the receive mode (AM, FM, NFM) from the default for the current frequency range (au).
- or** Press **STOR** to create a new CONV object using the found frequency.
- or** Use the keypad to enter a new frequency, and press **ENT** to make that the TUNE frequency.

**Notes:**

- Using **FUNC TUNE** from any other mode will load the last active frequency from the other mode into TUNE. For example, pressing **FUNC TUNE** while parked on a trunked radio TGRP will load the control channel frequency into the TUNE mode if the control channel frequency is the last frequency that the scanner checked while scanning.
- Dedicated TUNE mode will always check for the presence of encoded squelch and digital modulation each time it finds an active frequency. If a valid encoded squelch code is found, it will be shown on the display, and stored automatically when you press **STOR** to create a new CONV object.
- Dedicated TUNE mode also displays information about trunking control channels and trunked voice channels it finds while tuning through the RF spectrum.

The following information is displayed for each trunking mode:

Trunked Mode	Analysis Display
Motorola 3600 baud control channel	<b>qq% SID:sss Stt</b> qq = decoding quality of the control channel data, SID = System ID, and S = Site Number
P25 9600 BPS control channel	<b>qq% Nnnn Wwww Sys:sss Rrr Stt</b> qq = decoding quality of the control channel data, N = NAC, W = WACN, SYS = System ID, R = RFSS, and S = Site Number
EDACS control channel	<b>qq% Ssss h/H s/S a/A</b> qq = decoding quality of the control channel data, S = Site ID, h/H = not home site/is home site, s/S = not SCAT site/is SCAT site, a/A = not Aux CC/is Aux CC
LTR home repeater	<b>HR:hh A-HH-GGG</b> HR = the home repeater number of the tuned frequency, A-HH-GGG = the Area, Home Repeater and Group ID of the LTR talkgroup
Motorola analog voice channel	<b>VC: IsTGID-nnnnn</b> IsTGID = the decoded talkgroup ID data from the lowspeed data stream Note that the analog lowspeed data protocol does not provide error correction, and some false "VC: IsTGID" readings should be expected.

**Tune LED**

Tune LED can provide visual indication of signal strength using the tri-color LED.

**To activate the Tune LED:**

1. Press **PROG** for Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey.
3. Press **▼** to select Tune LED.
4. Press **◀** or **▶** to select Tune LED on or off.
5. Press the **SAVE** softkey to save your changes to the radio's configuration memory.

## Weather Scanning

**Note:** The weather alert feature is an extremely sensitive, high quality receiver of weather frequencies. However, the included antenna is optimized for general purpose scanning. If you use this scanner as your only means for receiving weather alerts, please check to be sure you are receiving a clear signal on the included antenna or switch to an external antenna that gives you clear reception of a local NOAA weather broadcast.

## Weather Radio Mode

Weather radio mode allows you to receive weather broadcasts from your local weather service.

### To use weather radio mode:

1. Press **WX**. The scanner will quickly scan and lock on to the first active weather radio frequency it receives.
2. Press **▲** or **▼** to look for other weather radio transmitters.

It is generally best to select the weather radio transmitter that provides you with the strongest signal. You can use the signal meter to help you chose the best weather radio transmitter for your area.

While operating in Weather Radio Mode, your scanner will alert on SAME messages that match the SAME location codes you have entered, or all SAME messages if you do not enter any SAME location codes.

## Weather Priority Mode

Weather Priority mode samples the specified weather frequency periodically while scanning to see if the All Hazards 1050 Hz Warning Alert Tone (WAT) is present. If the WAT is present, the scanner will sound an alarm and tune to the specified weather frequency to monitor the nature of the alert.

### To activate Weather Priority Mode:

1. Press **WX**.
2. Press **▲** or **▼** to look for other weather radio transmitters and find the strongest weather radio transmitter for your location.
3. Press **PRI**.

## SAME Standby Mode

SAME Standby Mode monitors the specified weather frequency silently, waiting to receive a Specific Area Message Encoding (SAME) alert that corresponds with a SAME location code that you have previously entered. If there is a match, the scanner will sound an alarm, display the alert type, and monitor the nature of the alert.

To activate SAME Standby Mode, first you should provide at least one SAME location code for your city, county or state. By default, SAME mode will alert on any SAME message received if no SAME location codes are entered.

SAME alerts include FIPS codes to identify areas, established by the US Census bureau. You can set your scanner to alert for all areas or limit weather alerts to up to 10 specific areas by FIPS code. A list of SAME location codes can be found online at: [www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov).

FIPS codes are formatted as follows:

Subdivisions	State Code	County Code
0-9 (0=entire area)	01-50 (00=all states)	XXX (000=all counties)
Example: 048439 (0=All; 48=Texas; 439=Tarrant County)		

In addition to the code for your location, you may wish to enter additional codes for surrounding areas and any other areas of interest so that you can receive advance warning of adverse or dangerous weather that may be headed in your direction.

Your scanner also has a SAME wildcard feature, which allows you to set the radio to alarm on partial matches of the location code.

### To enter SAME Location and Event Codes

1. Press **WX** to enter Weather mode.
2. Press the **SAME** softkey to add or edit SAME entries.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to the desired SAME code entry.
4. Press **SEL** to edit the selected SAME entry.
5. With the **Entry:** field selected, press **►** to turn the entry on.

**Note:** When a SAME location/event code storage location is set for **Entry ON**, the radio will process the SAME location and event code that is stored there. When a storage location is set for **Entry OFF**, that SAME location and event code will be ignored.

6. Scroll to **Code:** and press **►** to enter a SAME location code.
7. Press the number keys to enter a SAME code.

**Note:** The PRO-197 supports entry of Extended SAME codes, which can include numbers and letters. The text entry mode is used to enter both numerical SAME codes and extended SAME codes. To enter a numerical SAME code, simply precede each number in the SAME code with "1". For example, to enter SAME code 048113, press 10 14 18 11 11 13.

8. Scroll to the **Event:** field. Note the current default of **\*\*\***, which will allow all messages for the specified SAME location code. We recommend that you leave the event code with **\*\*\*** to receive all alerts. A list of event codes can be found at [www.weather.gov](http://www.weather.gov).
9. Scroll to **Tag:** and press **►**.
10. Input a tag name that corresponds with the SAME location code that you have entered. See **"Appendix C: Text Entry and QuickText"** on page 115 for information on entering text.

11. Scroll to **Alarm:**. You can specify different alarm sounds for this SAME entry. We recommend that you use the default setting here for general purpose weather alerting.
12. Scroll to **Lockout:**. Default is off. Lockout is a special purpose parameter that can be used to lock out individual event or area codes. We recommend that you leave **Lockout** set to **off** for general purpose weather alerting.
13. When you have finished editing your SAME entry, press the **Save** softkey to store the data.
14. Press the **Save** softkey again to save all SAME changes and return to the Weather mode.

**Note:** When a SAME location/event code storage location is set for **Entry ON** and **Lockout ON**, the radio will process the SAME location/event code that is stored there, and will lock out the specified event code. A SAME location/event code storage location set for **Entry: OFF** and **Lockout: ON** will not be processed, because **Entry** is set to **OFF**. In case of a conflict (i.e., two identical codes and events are entered, and one is locked out), the locked out entry will take precedence.

### To reset SAME code to the default setting:

1. Press **WX**.
2. Press **SAME** softkey.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to select SAME code location.
4. Press **SEL**.
5. Press **▼** to select code, then press **Dflt.** softkey.
6. Press **Save** softkey to save the code.
7. Press **Save** softkey again to save changes.

### Activating SAME Standby Mode

After you have entered your desired SAME codes, you can activate the SAME Standby Mode to begin standby operation. The radio will remain silent until a SAME transmission is received with a code that matches one that you have stored. When a matching SAME message is received, your radio will sound a siren alarm, then will play the audio message that follows the Warning Alert Tone (WAT).

#### To activate SAME standby mode:

1. Press **WX**.
2. Press **▲** or **▼** to find the best weather radio transmitter for your location, then press the **STBY** softkey.  
The softkey will change to **STBY** to indicate that SAME Standby Mode is active, and the scanner will alert when a matching SAME message is received.
3. Press the **STBY** softkey again to exit SAME Standby Mode, or press **MAN, SCAN**, or **PROG**.

When your local NWS office activates a SAME warning that matches a FIPS code stored in your scanner, you will first hear a siren alarm and see the LED flash to alert you to the incoming alarm. The LED flashes RED for warnings, YELLOW for watches, and BLUE for tests and administrative messages.

The scanner sounds the siren until the NWS transmission of the 1050 Hz Warning Alert Tone (WAT) begins. Once the WAT begins, the scanner's speaker will unmute, and you will hear the WAT play as an alert that the voice portion of the SAME warning is about to begin. You will then hear the voice portion of the SAME warning.

Your scanner will resume SAME Standby operation 90 seconds after the SAME warning starts. You may reset standby mode by pressing the **STBY** softkey twice at any time.

### V-Scanner Storage

Your PRO-197 features two types of memory storage:

- Main memory is used to store programming that is used for everyday monitoring and scanning.
- Virtual Scanner (V-Scanner) memory is used to store complete copies of your scanner's main memory for later recall. V-Scanner includes objects, global settings, and dedicated search configurations. Your scanner has 21 V-Scanner storage locations, each capable of storing a copy of your scanner's main memory, including all of your object and global settings.

You can custom-tailor a main memory configuration to suit your needs for the type of scanning you do in different situations, then store that configuration for later use. If you travel frequently, you may want to create V-Scanners for the areas where you travel.

V-Scanners are also useful for backing up your configurations. Once you have main memory configured the way you like it, you can save it to a V-Scanner where it will remain untouched until you delete, overwrite or recall it. Then, if you happen to make a mistake while using your main memory that you cannot fix, you can recall the backup data and start again.

Your PRO-197 Scanner comes preprogrammed with the frequencies, talkgroups, and configuration data for approximately 350 trunked radio systems in the United States. The preprogrammed data is stored in V-Scanner folder storage locations (01-20). The scanner's working memory and V-Scanner folder "00" are not preprogrammed with any data. See the included **"V-Scanner Preprogrammed Data"** booklet for more information.

### Using V-Scanners

You can save active scanner configurations (called “working” or “main” memory) to a V-Scanner storage folder for later use. Then recall the stored scanner configurations from a V-Scanner storage folder to main memory when you want to use them.

When you recall a configuration from a V-Scanner storage folder and use it in main memory, any changes you make while using the configuration will not automatically be transferred to the configuration data stored in the V-Scanner storage folder. You must save your changes back to that folder location if you want to preserve them for later use.

When you load a new configuration into main memory, the contents of main memory are overwritten and lost, unless you save your main memory to a V-Scanner storage folder first. Once the configuration data in main memory has been overwritten, it cannot be recovered—there is no “Undo” function.

### Saving Main Memory to a V-Scanner Folder

1. Press **FUNC**, then **PROG** to enter V-Scanner mode.
2. Press the **Stor** softkey.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to the desired V-Scanner folder, then press the **Stor** softkey.
4. If the selected V-Scanner folder already contains data, you will be asked if you wish to overwrite the existing data with new data from your current version of main memory. Press the **YES** softkey to proceed, or the **NO** softkey to cancel.
5. The scanner will prompt you to enter a name for the stored V-Scanner. Use the standard text entry method to type the name you wish to use, then press the **OK** softkey.
6. The scanner will write the contents of main memory to the V-Scanner folder. This will take approximately four seconds to complete.

### Loading a V-Scanner Folder to Main Memory

1. Press **FUNC**, then **PROG** to enter V-Scanner mode.
2. Press the **Load** softkey.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to the desired V-Scanner folder, then press the **Load** softkey.
4. The scanner will ask you to confirm that you wish to overwrite the current contents of main memory. Press the **YES** softkey to proceed, or the **NO** softkey to abort.

The data transfer takes approximately 4 seconds to complete.

### Erasing V-Scanner Folders

1. Press **FUNC**, then **PROG** to enter V-Scanner mode.
2. Press the **Eras** softkey.
3. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to the desired V-Scanner folder, then press the **Eras** softkey.
4. Press the **YES** softkey to delete current contents, or press the **NO** softkey to abort.

### Cloning

You can transfer the programmed data to and from another PRO-197 (or PRO-106) scanner using a connecting cable which has 1/8-inch stereo phone plugs on both ends (not supplied).

#### To clone the scanner data:

1. Turn on both scanners.
2. Connect the connecting cable to each scanner’s **PC/IF** jack.
3. Press **PROG**, then the **GLOB** softkey to enter the Global Settings menu.



- On the SOURCE radio, scroll to **Clone Send:** then press **SEL** when you are ready to send data from your SOURCE radio to the TARGET radio.

Both working memory and global settings are transferred.

**Note:** The contents of working memory on the TARGET radio will be overwritten immediately when **SEL** is pressed on the SOURCE radio.

## Memory Report

To display the memory usage report:

- Press **PROG**.
- Press **GLOB** softkey to access the Global menu.
- Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to **Memory Info:**.
- Press **SEL** to view the memory usage report.
- Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll the display.

## Advanced Settings

### Priority Scan

Priority Scan operation is available for CONV and TGRP objects. When Priority Scan is active, increased priority is given to objects that have their Priority mode set to **ON**.

### Turning Object Priority On or Off

When the scanner stops on the object while active, press **PRI** to select Object Priority on or off.

or

Browse to an object in Manual Mode or Program Mode. Press **PRI** to select Object Priority on or off.

or

- Browse to an object in Program Mode.
- Press **EDIT**, then **CURR** softkeys.
- Press **▼** to scroll to **Priority**.
- Press **◀** or **▶** to select **Priority On** or **Off**.

The **PID** indicator in the object display will show lower case "f" for Object Priority Off, and upper case "P" for Object Priority On.

### Turning Priority Scan Mode On or Off

- While the radio is scanning, press **FUNC**.
- Press **PRI** to toggle Priority Scan On or Off.

Priority Scan status is shown in the main Scanning status display. **PRI** indicates that Priority Scan mode is on, and **Pri** indicates that Priority Scan mode is off.

### CONV Priority Scan

When Object Priority is set to **Yes** for one or more CONV objects, the scanner will sample the CONV objects for activity periodically while scanning and monitoring other objects. This sampling will cause a brief muting of received audio when it occurs while another object is active. The more CONV objects that are set for Priority, the longer this audio muting will be, since it takes a certain amount of time to sample each Priority CONV object for activity.

### TGRP Priority Scan

When Object Priority is set to **Yes** for one or more TGRP objects, the scanner will give those TGRPs priority over other TGRPs while checking a particular trunking system for activity. TGRPs configured for Priority are checked for activity before any other TGRPs are checked, and during the reply delay time after non-priority TGRP calls.

Additionally, your PRO-197 decodes the subaudible priority data that is present on analog Motorola talkgroup calls (3600 baud control channel systems only), and will switch to a priority talkgroup when the data for that talkgroup is found in the subaudible priority data.

### Hit Counters

The Hit Counter feature that keeps track of how many transmissions are received for each object type. The Hit Counter for an object is incremented each time a transmission is received on an object, making it possible for you to determine the objects that are the least and most active. By default, the Hit Counter feature is turned off.

#### To turn the Hit Counter on:

1. Press **PROG**.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey.
3. Press **▼** to scroll to **Hit Counts**.

4. Press **◀** or **▶** to select **Yes** or **No**.
5. When finished, press the **SAVE** softkey to save your changes to the radio's configuration memory.

#### To view Hit Counts:

1. Press **PROG**.
2. Press **▲**, **▼**, **◀** or **▶** to navigate to the desired object, if necessary.
3. Press **EDIT** softkey, then **CURR** softkey.
4. Scroll to **Hit Count** in the object menu to view the hit counter.

#### To reset for a single object:

1. Press the **Deflt** softkey while the Hit Count item is selected in the object's menu.

#### To clear all hit counters:

1. Press the **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey.
3. Press **▼** to scroll to **Clear Hits**.
4. Press **SEL**.
5. Press the **SAVE** softkey to save your changes and exit the Global settings menu.

### Audible Alarms and the Alert LED

Your PRO-197 features an Alert LED with audible alarm capability that allows you to set different visual and audible notifications for the different types of objects you create.

The menus for each type of object include various settings for LED, Backlight and Alarm. You can use these settings to design custom visual and/or audible alarms that are triggered when activity is detected on the specified Scannable Object.

#### Notes:

- *The Alert LED utilizes a special tri-color Light Emitting Diode module that mixes light from red, green and blue LED elements to produce thousands of different colors. Eight pre-defined color settings are available for use in object menus. LED COLOR: 0 is normally used for “all colors off” or no Alert LED display.*
- *Slight variations to LED colors are a normal part of the manufacturing process. You may notice these variations when using the White LED color setting (LED COLOR: 7), or when comparing one PRO-197 to another. You can compensate for these slight variations by fine-tuning the Red/Green/Blue (RGB) LED settings for each color. See the COLOR settings in the GLOB menu in “Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference: GLOB Menu” on page 96.*

#### To set the Audible Alarm and Alert LED:

In any object menu:

1. Press ▼ to scroll to any of the following settings.
  - **LED Mode:** Solid or Flash controls whether the LED remains on solid or flashes when the object is active.
  - **LED Color:** 0-7 sets the color of the LED. By default, color 0 is used for LED off. You can change the preprogrammed LED colors in the Global Settings menu.
  - **Latch LED** Keeps the LED on after activity on the object is finished. This is useful when you need to know if an object was active while you were away from the scanner.
  - **Backlight:** Off, On, Flash controls whether the backlight remains off, comes on solid or flashes when the object is active.

- **Alarm:** None, Chirp, Hi-Lo, Alert, Ring, 2-Chirp, Fast Hi-Lo, DTMF # are used to set audible alarms that play each time activity is found on the object.
2. Press ◀ or ▶ to select the desired option.
  3. When finished, press SAVE softkey to save your changes to the radio's configuration memory.

### Multi-Site Mode on Networked Systems

Some Motorola and P25 systems include a large number of sites that are networked together to provide radio coverage to a large geographical area. These types of trunked radio systems are more commonly used for large statewide systems, and for some systems that are used in large, rural counties.

As a system user moves around, or “roams,” in the coverage area of the network, their radio will automatically find and use the nearest tower site. Each tower site includes a number of channels. One of these channels is used for control channel data, and the remaining channels are used for voice traffic. As a user moves away from the coverage of one site, the radio will search other control channel frequencies for a better site to use.

Multi-site can be enabled by editing the trunking system (TSYS) parameters for a Motorola or P25 system. Multi-site can be set to Off, Stat (Stationary) or Roam. By default, Multi-site is set to Off.

The ROAM setting is ideal for those times when you are driving around in the service area of a networked trunked radio system, as it allows the radio to find and use the best tower sites as you move in and out of the coverage footprints of different sites.

The STAT (stationary) setting is ideal for those times when you are not moving and are within range of more than one tower site, as it will allow you to monitor traffic from any tower that you are within range of.

### To activate Multi-site mode on a Motorola or P25 networked system:

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press **▲**, **▼**, **◀** or **▶** to navigate to a talkgroup on the networked multi-site system.
3. Press **EDIT** softkey, then **CURR** softkey.
4. Press **▲**, **▼** to scroll to the **TSYS** item and press the **SEL** key to edit the **TSYS** parameters.
5. Press **◀** or **▶** to scroll to **Multi-Site**.
6. Press **◀** or **▶** to select **Off**, **Stat** or **Roam**.

**Off:** the scanner will find the first usable control channel in the control channel list and use it until it is no longer usable.

**Stat** (Stationary): the scanner will track the system using any control channel in the list that is usable.

**Roam:** the scanner will attempt to locate and use the best possible control channel and ignore others, until the control channel is no longer usable, then it will locate a new “best control channel” to use. The scanner will always attempt to lock on to control channels where the decoding quality is greater than the **Threshold Hi** setting, and will search for new control channels when the decoding quality of a control channel drops below **Threshold Lo** setting. If no new control channels are available that meet the **Threshold Hi** criteria, the scanner will seek the best control channel to use, and continue checking periodically for a new control channel that meets the **Threshold Hi** criteria.

7. Press **SAVE** softkey to save your changes to the **TSYS** parameters.
8. Press **SAVE** softkey again to use the scanner.

You should experiment with the different Multi-site modes and the threshold settings to find a combination that works best for your location.

#### Notes:

- *Multi-site functionality is not available in EDACS or LTR trunking.*
- *Threshold settings are only available when Multi-Site Roam is selected.*
- *It may be necessary to change the values used for **Threshold Hi** and **Threshold Low** in the **TSYS** object to optimize Multi-site Roam performance.*

### LTR Home Repeater AutoMove

LTR Home Repeater AutoMove (AutoMove HRs) takes the guesswork out of programming LTR trunking systems when the home repeater order is not known.

By default, AutoMove HRs is turned off and is controlled in the individual LTR **TSYS** objects. When AutoMove HRs is turned on, you may enter the LTR system frequencies in any order. Your scanner will automatically move the frequencies to the proper home repeater slots as transmissions are received on the system.

#### To enable LTR Home Repeater AutoMove:

1. Access the menu for the desired **TSYS**.
2. Press **▼** to scroll to **AutoMove HRs**.
3. Press **◀** or **▶** to toggle **on** or **off** for the selected **TSYS**.
4. Press **Save** softkey to save your changes.

## Additional Information

### Power-On Configuration Key Sequences

Power-on keypress sequences are used as shortcuts to configuration items, like attenuator settings, backlight settings and memory information. Power-on key sequences are also used to place your scanner into firmware upgrade mode for CPU and DSP firmware upgrades.

The following table lists the power-on key sequences available in the PRO-197. Unless otherwise specified, each sequence is invoked by pressing and releasing each key in sequence, one at a time. The first key must be pressed while the Welcome/Owner screen is being displayed:

Key Sequence	Function
1	Shortcut to PROG>GLOB>Sound Mode
2	Shortcut to PROG>GLOB>Key Beeps
3	Displays Boot, CPU and DSP versions
DIM	Shortcut to PROG>GLOB>Light Mode
ATT	Shortcut to PROG>GLOB>Atten Mode
0, 0	Shortcut to PROG>GLOB>Memory Info
0, 1	Destructive, clears working memory and resets all Global settings to factory defaults. Does not affect V-Scanners.
0, 2	Destructive, resets all Global settings to factory defaults. Does not affect working memory or V-Scanners.
0, 5	Destructive, executes EEPROM memory test, then clears working memory and resets all Global settings to factory defaults. Does not affect V-Scanners.
0, CLR	Erases DSP APP Upgrade code, restores factory DSP version
0, PROG	Places radio in DSP APP firmware upgrade mode
Hold PROG while powering on radio	Places radio in CPU firmware upgrade mode

### Power-On Password

Setting a power-on password can prevent anyone other than you from using this scanner.

#### To set the power-on password

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey.
3. Scroll to **Set Password**, then press **SEL** key.
4. The confirmation menu for the power-on password setting appears. Press **YES** softkey.
5. Enter the four-character (four-digit) password. You can enter the characters using alphanumeric text entry method. When you have finished entering characters, press **OK** softkey to save the entry.

**Note:** You can cancel the entry by pressing **Cancel** softkey.

#### To operate your scanner with power-on password:

1. Turn **VOLUME** clockwise to turn power on.
2. After the Welcome message is displayed, the scanner prompts you to enter the password.
3. Enter your password.
4. If you entered the correct password, you will be able to operate your scanner. If you have entered the wrong password, the scanner will generate error beep. Try entering your password again.

#### To disable the power-on password

1. Press **PROG** to enter Program Mode.
2. Press **GLOB** softkey.
3. Scroll to **Set Password**, then press **SEL** key.

- The confirmation menu for the power-on password setting appears. Press **NO** softkey.
- Enter 0000 in the password setting menu and press **OK** softkey.

**Note:** In the initial password setting menu characters "0000" are always displayed. Enter 0000 while these characters "0000" are displayed

### If you forget the password

If you forget your password, you must initialize the scanner to be able to operate it. This operation will result in the clearing of your programmed data and the loss of any custom changes you have made to the radio's global parameters. See **"Initializing the Scanner to Factory Defaults"** on page 92.

### Birdie Frequencies

Every scanner has birdie frequencies. Birdies are signals created inside the scanner's receiver, which may interfere with transmissions on the same frequencies. If you program one of these frequencies, you hear only noise on that frequency. If the interference is not severe, you might be able to turn Squelch clockwise to omit the birdie.

To find the birdies in your scanner, disconnect the antenna and moving it away from the scanner. Make sure that no other nearby radio or TV sets are turned on near the scanner. Use the **Tune** function and scan every frequency range from its lowest frequency to the highest. Occasionally, the searching will stop as if it had found a signal, often without any sound. This is a birdie. Make a list of all the birdies in your scanner for future reference.

### FCC Notice

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a scanning receiver, 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.

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.

### 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 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), as amended, you are subject to fines and possible imprisonment for intentionally listening to, using, or divulging the contents of such a transmission unless you have the consent of a party to the communication (unless such activity is otherwise illegal).

This scanner is designed to prevent reception of illegal transmissions, in compliance with the law which requires that scanners be manufactured in such a way as to not be easily modifiable to pick up those transmissions. Do not open your scanner's case to make any modifications that could allow it to pick up transmissions that are not legal to listen to. Doing so could subject you to legal penalties.

In some areas, mobile use of this scanner is unlawful or requires a permit. Check the laws in your area. We encourage responsible, legal scanner use.

**Care**

Your scanner is not waterproof. Do not expose it to rain, moisture, or extreme high humidity. If the scanner gets wet, wipe it dry immediately. Use and store the scanner only in normal temperature environments. Handle the scanner carefully; do not drop it. Keep the scanner away from dust and dirt, and wipe it with a damp cloth occasionally to keep it looking new.

**Service and Repair**

If your scanner is not performing as it should, take it to your local RadioShack store for assistance. To locate your nearest RadioShack, use the store locator feature on RadioShack's website ([www.radioshack.com](http://www.radioshack.com)), or call 1-800-The Shack (800-843-7422) and follow the menu options. Modifying or tampering with the scanner's internal components can cause a malfunction and might invalidate its warranty and void your FCC authorization to operate it.

**Specifications**

**Frequency Coverage**

25.000-26.960 MHz.....	(in 10 kHz steps/AM)
26.965-27.405 MHz.....	(in 10 kHz steps/AM)
27.410-29.505 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/AM)
29.510-29.700 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/FM)
29.710-49.830 MHz.....	(in 10 kHz steps/FM)
49.835-54.000 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/FM)
108.000-136.9916 MHz.....	(in 8.33 kHz steps/AM)
137.000-137.995 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/FM)
138.000-143.9875 MHz.....	(in 12.5 kHz steps/FM)
144.000-147.995 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/FM)
148.000-150.7875 MHz.....	(in 12.5 kHz steps/FM)
150.800-150.845 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/FM)
150.8525-154.4975 MHz.....	(in 7.5 kHz steps/FM)
154.515-154.640 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/FM)
154.650-156.255 MHz.....	(in 7.5 kHz steps/FM)
156.275-157.450 MHz.....	(in 25 kHz steps/FM)
157.470-161.5725 MHz.....	(in 7.5 kHz steps/FM)
161.600-161.975 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/FM)
162.000-174.000 MHz.....	(in 12.5 kHz steps/FM)
216.0025-219.9975 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/FM)
220.000-224.995 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/FM)
225.000-379.99375 MHz.....	(in 6.25 kHz steps/AM)
380.000-419.9875 MHz.....	(in 12.5 kHz steps/FM)
420.000-450.000 MHz.....	(in 5 kHz steps/FM)
450.00625-469.99375 MHz.....	(in 6.25 kHz steps/FM)
470.000-512.000 MHz.....	(in 12.5 kHz steps/FM)
764.000-805.996875 MHz.....	(in 3.125 kHz steps/FM)
806.000-823.9875 MHz.....	(in 12.5 kHz steps/FM)
849.000-868.9875 MHz.....	(in 12.5 kHz steps/FM)
894.000-939.9875 MHz.....	(in 12.5 kHz steps/FM)



940.000-960.000 MHz.....(in 6.25 kHz steps/FM)  
 1240.000-1300.000 MHz.....(in 6.25 kHz steps/FM)

\*Excludes frequencies utilized by the Cellular Mobile Radiotelephone Service: 824-848.9875 MHz and 869-893.9875 MHz

**Working Memory**

1800 programmed objects using flexible "Scannable Object" system. Program and scan conventional channels, trunking talkgroups, limit searches, service searches, and Signal Stalker II configurations as "Scannable Objects" that are created, edited, grouped and scanned using common user interface conventions.

**Virtual Scanners**

21 Virtual Scanner (V-Scanner) folders, each capable of holding the entire contents of working memory, for a total storage capacity of over 37,800 objects.

**Searches**

Seven preprogrammed dedicated service searches, one dedicated limit search. Any service or limit search can be programmed and scanned as an object alongside conventional channels and trunking talkgroups.

**Priority**

Talkgroup and conventional channel priority, selectable priority sample rate and priority sample during trunking talkgroup call.

**Conventional Receiver Modes**

AM, FM, NFM, CTCSS, DCS, P25 NAC

**Trunking Receiver Modes**

Motorola Type I/II/III Analog and Digital, GE/Ericsson/MA-COM EDACS Narrowband and Wideband, EF Johnson LTR

**Receiver System**

Triple conversion PLL super-heterodyne

**1st IF**..... 380.8 MHz  
 (The 1st LO uses high side of receive frequency range for VHF and UHF Low/T, and low side of receive frequency range for >512 MHz)

**2nd IF** ..... 21.4 MHz  
 (The second LO uses low side of 1st IF)

**3rd IF** ..... 455 kHz  
 (The 3rd LO uses the low side of the 2nd IF)

**Frequency Range**

VHF Low..... 25.00000 - 54.00000 MHz  
 VHF Aircraft ..... 108.00000 - 136.99166 MHz  
 VHF High..... 137.00000 - 174.00000 MHz  
 ..... 216.00250 - 224.99500 MHz  
 ..... 225.00000 - 299.93750 MHz  
 UHF Low/T..... 300.00000 - 512.00000 MHz  
 UHF High ..... 764.00000 - 960.00000 MHz\*  
 ..... 1240 .00000 - 1300.00000 MHz

\*Excludes frequencies utilized by the Cellular Mobile Radiotelephone Service

**Preprogrammed Service Searches**

Marine, Aircraft, CB, FRS/GMRS/MURS/DOT-STAR, Public Safety, Amateur Radio, Railroad

**Weather frequencies**

162.400, 162.425, 162.450, 162.475, 162.500, 162.525, 162.550 MHz

**Scanning Rate** .....Approx. 55 channels per second

**Search Rate** ..... Approx. 90 steps per second

**Display**

LCD with amber LED backlight, 4 lines of 16 characters each, plus 13 display icons

**Zeromatic**

Automatically zeroes receiver on correct frequency during searches

**Audio Output**.....1.8 W

**Internal Speaker**..... 77 mm 8 ohms dynamic

**Operating Voltage** ..... 12-14.4 VDC, 13.8 VDC nominal, 16 VDC maximum

**Dimensions (WxDxH)**.....Approximately 7.3 x 5.3 x 2.2 inches  
 ..... 185 x 135 x 55 mm

**Weight** (not including mounting hardware and antenna)

Approximately 42.3 ounces, 1200 grams

**Memory backup**

No backup battery required, utilizes non-volatile EEPROM memory.

**Power**

AC Adapter (Class 2; 12V DC; 600 mA; center tip set to positive).  
 Specifications are typical; individual units might vary. Specifications and depictions are subject to change and improvement without notice.

**Troubleshooting**

Problem	Cause	Solution
Scanner won't power on.	The AC adapter or DC adapter/cable is not connected.	Be sure the adapter's barrel plug is fully plugged into the DC 13.8V jack.
The keypad does not work.	The scanner may need to be initialized.	Follow steps in "Initializing the Scanner to Factory Defaults" below.
Scanner will not scan when SCAN is pressed	Possible "birdie" frequency programmed	Tighten squelch, apply attenuator or lock out the "birdie" frequency
	The scanner may need to be reset or initialized	Follow steps in "Initializing the Scanner to Factory Defaults" below.
	No channels programmed, or only one channel programmed, or all channels locked out	Ensure that the scanner has more than one channel programmed and enabled for scanning
	SQUELCH control is not adjusted properly	Turn SQUELCH control clockwise until scanning resumes
The scanner does not receive digital transmission on digital frequencies or trunking systems.	The digital channel or talkgroup is not using APCO-25 digital modulation.	The scanner can only receive APCO-25 C4FM/CQPSK IMBE digital signals.
	The digital channel or talkgroup is encrypted.	The scanner will not receive encrypted traffic.
	The digital channel or talkgroup is being transmitted from a distant location.	Reposition the scanner or use an outdoor antenna to improve reception.
Scanner scans slowly.	SQUELCH control is set too high.	Turn SQUELCH control counter clockwise.
Scanner stops on noise or silence.	Subaudible squelch mode not set.	Set the correct subaudible squelch mode. See "Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference: Conv Menu" on page 101.

Problem	Cause	Solution
Poor or no reception.	Weak signals from distant stations.	Reposition radio for best reception.
	Attenuator in use on weak signals.	Check performance with and without attenuator activated, use setting with best reception.
	Strong signal overload from nearby transmitter.	Check performance with and without attenuator activated, use setting with best reception.
	Loose or defective antenna.	Inspect antenna and connectors and correct any problems found.
	Incorrect modulation mode selected.	Ensure that proper modulation mode is selected for the type of system being monitored.
Error message appears when trying to upload or download from a computer.	Your computer is using Windows XP and does not have the necessary USB cable driver.	Download and install the file: "Windows XP Driver to resolve PC connection error" from your scanner's Product Support page or the Software Download page on <a href="http://www.RadioShack.com">www.RadioShack.com</a> .  Then make your connection and try again. Be sure the correct COM port is selected in device manager.

### Reset Global Parameters to Factory Defaults

If your scanner does not appear to be functioning properly, you can reset the global radio parameters to their factory state without losing any of your programmed data. Any custom changes you have made to the radio's global parameters will be lost.

**Note:** *This procedure preserves the information you stored in the scanner's working memory, while resetting all global radio parameters to factory defaults. V-Scanner memory is not affected by this operation.*

- Turn off the scanner, then turn it on again.  
The scanner briefly displays the DSP boot version, and then the Welcome/Owner screen is displayed.
- Press **0** while the scanner is displaying the Welcome/Owner screen. The scanner displays:

```
System Tests:
Select a Test...
Exits if no key
is pressed
```

- Press **2**. The scanner displays:

```
Init GLOB data
To factory state
ENTER if APPROVE
CLEAR to EXIT
```

- Press **ENT**. The scanner displays:

```
GLOB EEPROM area
Initialized to
defaults.
Press any key.
```

- Press any key on the keypad to proceed. The scanner will reboot with file system and global parameters reset to factory defaults.

## Initializing the Scanner to Factory Defaults

If initializing the global parameters to factory defaults does not resolve your problem, you may wish to initialize the entire scanner to factory defaults. This operation will result in the clearing of your programmed data and the loss of any custom changes you have made to the radio's global parameters. Use this option as a last resort, and, if possible, save your working memory to a V-Scanner folder prior to performing this operation.

**Note:** *This procedure clears all information you stored in the scanner's working memory, AND resets the global parameters to factory defaults. Initialize the scanner only when you are sure the scanner is not working properly. V-Scanner memory is not affected when the scanner is initialized.*

1. Turn off the scanner, then turn it on again.

The scanner briefly displays the DSP boot version, and then the Welcome/Owner screen is displayed.

2. Press **0** while the scanner is displaying the Welcome/Owner screen. The scanner displays:

```
System Tests:
Select a Test...
Exits if no key
is pressed
```

3. Press **1**. The scanner displays:

```
Factory Init
Erase Memory
ENTER if APPROVE
CLEAR to EXIT
```

4. Press **ENT**. The scanner displays:

<pre>Initializing the File System Please Wait.....</pre>	<pre>File System Initialized to Defaults. Press any key.</pre>
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5. Press any key on the keypad to proceed. The scanner displays:

```
GLOB EEPROM area
Initialized to
defaults.
Press any key.
```

6. Press any key on the keypad to proceed. The scanner will reboot with file system and global parameters reset to factory defaults.

## Appendix A: Search Bands

### All Sub Bands

Group.	Freq. (MHz)	Band
0	25-54	VHF Low
1	108-137	VHF Aircraft
2	137-174	VHF High
3	216-300	220 MHz Commercial/ Amateur
4	300-406	UHF Military Air
5	406-470	UHF
6	470-512	UHF-T
7	764-806	700 MHz
8	806-869	800 MHz
9	896-1300	900 MHz Band, 23 cm Amateur

### PubSafety Band

Searches commonly used public safety frequencies. Groups are as follows:

Group	Freq. (MHz)	Band
0	33.4-46.5	VHF Low
1	151-170	VHF High
2	453-467	UHF
3	764-806	700 MHz
4	851-869	800 MHz

### Aircraft Band

Searches civilian and military air frequencies.

Group.	Freq. (MHz)	Band
0	108-118	Navigation
1	118-137	Civilian Voice
2	138-150	Military Voice (excludes 2m Amateur)
3	225-400	Military Voice

### Ham Bands

Searches amateur radio frequencies.

Group.	Freq. (MHz)	Band
0	28.0-29.7	10m
1	50-54	6m
2	144-148	2m
3	222-225	1.25cm
4	420-450	70cm
5	902-928	33cm
6	1240-1300	23cm

## Appendix B: Detailed Menu Reference

- Context sensitive help is available for every menu parameter. Press **FUNC SEL** to view help for the selected parameter. Press **SEL** to exit help.
- Each menu parameter includes a **Dflt** softkey, which restores the factory default setting for that parameter.

### GLOB Menu

The GLOB menu stores all of the radio-wide settings used by the scanner. The active parameter is always the middle parameter and is indicated by a flashing colon (:).

#### Notes:

- Some GLOB parameter changes do not take effect until the GLOB menu is saved.
- You can restore all GLOB settings to their defaults without affecting your programmed objects or V-Scanners. Power cycle the radio, then press **0**, then **2** during the welcome message display. Press **ENT** to confirm the GLOB parameter reset.
- The Special Global menu (**FUNC GLOB**) includes parameter settings that may adversely affect the performance of your radio if not set properly. We recommend that users not change the settings found in the **FUNC GLOB** menu without specific instructions. Should you experience difficulties after changing any of these settings, you can restore them to factory defaults by pressing the **Dflt** softkey associated with each menu line, or follow the global reset procedure described above. See the product support page for this scanner on [www.RadioShack.com](http://www.RadioShack.com) for detailed information on the **FUNC GLOB** menu.

GLOB Parameter	Options	Description
Contrast	1-7	Sets LCD contrast. Use ◀ ▶ keys on 5-way pushbutton pad.
Owner	SEL	Enters sub menu to set Welcome Message text display.
Clone Send	SEL	Press <b>SEL</b> to send data using clone mode.
Alert Mode	Both, Tone, Light, Off	Controls the Alert LED and Audible Alarm behavior. <b>Both</b> allows the LED and Tone. <b>Tone</b> allows the audible alarm only. <b>Light</b> allows the LED only. <b>Off</b> deactivates the Alert LED and Audible Alarm feature.
Sound Mode	On or Stlth	Controls all radio beeps.
Key Beeps	On or Off	Controls key beeps.
Light Mode	Norml, Stlth	Controls the backlight operation. <b>Norml</b> (Normal) causes the backlight to remain on all the time. <b>Stlth</b> (Stealth) disables the backlight.
Light Level	Brit, Dim, Off	Controls backlight intensity. When <b>Dim LED</b> is set to <b>Yes</b> , it also controls the <b>Alert LED</b> intensity. Accessed from front panel using <b>DIM</b> key.
Dim LED	Global or Normal	When on, <b>DIM</b> key and Light Level GLOB menu parameter also control intensity of <b>Alert LED</b> .
Atten Mode	Global or Normal	The attenuator reduces the amount of signal at the receiver input. This helps reduce interference from strong nearby transmitters. <b>Global</b> attenuator mode applies attenuation radio-wide, regardless of individual object settings. In <b>Normal</b> attenuator mode, the attenuator follows the individual object attenuator setting.
Global Atten	On or Off	When the Atten mode is set to Global, this controls whether the Global attenuator is on or off.

GLOB Parameter	Options	Description
Clear Hits	SEL	Press <b>SEL</b> to clear all hit counters.
Hit Counts	Yes or No	Turns the hit counter feature on or off.
Dflt ScanList	0-22	Sets default destination Scan Lists for new objects and CONV Stor from Searches, Signal Stalker II, and Tune. Use <b>1-20</b> for "normal" Scan Lists 1-20. Use <b>0</b> for the "ns" (not scanned) Scan List (no Scan List mappings are specified). Use <b>21</b> for the FAV Scan List. Use <b>22</b> for the Skywarn Scan List.
Priority	On or Off	Turns Priority Scan On or Off. Priority Scan can also be toggled by pressing <b>FUNC PRI</b> while scanning.
WxPri	On or Off	Toggles Weather Priority Mode on or off. Also accessed by pressing <b>WX</b> , then <b>PRI</b> .
Scan Lists	SEL	Enters sub menu for Scan List settings and status.
SRCH L/Outs	SEL	Enters sub menu for review, editing or deletion of search lockout frequencies.
Clear FAV	SEL	Press <b>SEL</b> to clear the Favorites Scan List.
Memory Info	SEL	Press <b>SEL</b> to see the current memory usage.
EXPERT BELOW		
Tune LED	On or Off	Activates Signal Strength driven LED when in Tune mode.
Color 0-7	Red, Green, Blue (RGB) value	Sets intensity of red, green and blue LEDs. Press SEL to edit colors. Press <b>◀▶</b> to scroll to R, G or B LED settings. Use numeric keys to activate preset intensity levels for each LED, or use <b>▲▼</b> keys to fine scroll intensity.
Qtxt 1-0	Text value	Sets QTXT (QuickText) 0-9 text. Use "\$" to indicate end of text.
Key Repeat	On or Off	Toggles key repeat mode when a key is held down.

GLOB Parameter	Options	Description
LCD BlinkOff	1-250 x 10 mS	For alternating text displays, sets the display time for the secondary display element.
LCD BlinkOn	1-250 x 10 mS	For alternating text displays, sets the display time for the primary display element.
LED BlinkOff	1-250 x 10 mS	When the Alert LED setting for an object is set to Flash, this is the amount of time the LED stays turned off.
LED BlinkOn	1-250 x 10 mS	When the Alert LED setting for an object is set to Flash, this is the amount of time the LED stays turned on.
Pri Channels	0-250	Number of priority CONV channels to check during a priority scan sampling. "0" samples all CONV priority channels.
Pri Interval	2-100 x 100 mS	Conventional frequency priority sample interval.
TGRP Pri Int	On or Off	Toggles priority interrupt scanning during trunked calls.
QuickPriRtn	On or Off	When on, does not wait for verification of correct CTCSS, DCS or NAC when returning to an active CONV channel after priority sampling
Search Delay	1-250 x 100 ms	Sets wait for reply delay for all search modes.
SRCH Dig AGC	On or Off	Sets digital AGC mode on or off for all search types. Useful to compensate for low or high digital audio levels caused at the system.
SRCH SuprTrk	On or Off	Alternative DSP decoding algorithm is applied to all search types. May help reception on some systems.



GLOB Parameter	Options	Description
TLO=FUNC L/O	On or Off	Controls the operation of the L/OUT key. When Off, pressing L/OUT performs a Temporary Lockout of the selected object. When On, pressing L/OUT performs a Permanent Lockout of the selected object.
DupeChecksSQ	Yes or No	If set to Yes, dupe checking will check both the stored frequency and any encoded squelch settings when checking for duplicate CONV objects.
TGID Format	Norm, DEC, or HEX	Selects TGID display format.
TGRP Ignore	Yes or No	If set to Yes, TGRP wildcards will ignore calls on previously stored TGRPS that are mapped to disabled Scan Lists.
ShowCCInfo	Yes or No	For Motorola and P25 systems, shows current control channel index (from TSYS frequency list) and frequency alternating with the voice frequency.
Set Password	SEL	Set Power-on password. 0000=none.

## CONV Menu

The CONV menu is used when creating new Conventional Channel objects, or editing existing Conventional Channel objects.

CONV Parameter	Options	Description
Scan Lists	On or Off for Scan Lists 1-22	Sets membership in Scan Lists. Use ◀▶ keys to scroll through Scan Lists. Use <b>SEL</b> key to toggle Scan List membership. A “**” next to the Scan List number indicates that the object is mapped to that Scan List.
Freq	Any supported frequency in MHz	The frequency that the CONV object will use.
Tag	Alpha-numeric text	The alphanumeric display name for the CONV channel. Use the standard text entry method or QTXT to name the object.
Sq Mode	Search, None, CTCSS, DCS, P25	Sets subaudible squelch mode or Project 25 conventional digital modulation. Use <b>Search</b> to automatically analyze signals to determine squelch mode and code. Use <b>None</b> to ignore subaudible squelch. Use <b>CTCSS</b> for tone coded squelch, <b>DCS</b> for digital coded squelch, or <b>P25</b> for Project 25 conventional digital operation. Used in conjunction with Squelch Code parameter below.
Squelch Code	CTCSS Hz, DCS Code, P25 NAC	Sets CTCSS tone, DCS code, or P25 NAC depending on Sq Mode setting. Use Search to detect tone or code value for selected squelch type.
L/Out	On or Off	Permanent lockout for the CONV channel. Also accessed by pressing <b>FUNC L/OUT</b> while the scanner is stopped on the CONV object.
Priority	On or Off	Turns Priority Mode on or off for the CONV object.

CONV Parameter	Options	Description
LED Mode	Solid or Flash	Controls whether the Alert LED flashes or remains on solid when the Alert LED is used.
LED Color	0-7	Sets LED color to <b>0-7</b> as defined in the GLOB menu. By default, <b>0</b> =LED Off, <b>1</b> =Red, <b>2</b> =Yellow, <b>3</b> =Green, <b>4</b> =Cyan, <b>5</b> =Blue, <b>6</b> =Magenta, <b>7</b> =White.
Latch LED	On or Off	Normally the Alert LED is active only while the object is receiving a transmission. When <b>Latch</b> is on, the Alert LED will remain lit after the transmission is complete, unless overridden by a subsequent object that is also using the Alert LED.
Backlight	On, Off or Flash	Controls whether the backlight should be on or flashing while the object is active. "Off" setting is ignored by the PRO-197.
Alarm	None, Chirp, Hi-Lo, Alert, Ring, 2-Chirp, Fast Hi-Lo, DTMF#	Sets the Audible Alarm for the CONV object. When an Audible Alarm is selected, the selected alarm will play at the beginning of each transmission on the CONV object, or anytime the scanner stops for activity on the CONV object while scanning.
Fav	Yes or No	When On, the CONV object is a member of the Favorites Scan List.
Skywarn	Yes or No	When On, the CONV object is a member of the Skywarn Scan List.
EXPERT BELOW		
Modulation	Auto, AM, FM, NFM	Modulation setting for the CONV channel. In most cases <b>Auto</b> will work fine. Use <b>AM</b> to override and force AM modulation, <b>FM</b> to force FM modulation, <b>NFM</b> to force narrow FM modulation.

CONV Parameter	Options	Description
Atten	On or Off	When on, applies 20 dB of attenuation to all transmissions on the CONV channel. Useful in areas where interference from nearby strong signals is present.
Delay	On or Off	Controls whether a Delay is used to wait for reply traffic after a transmission on the CONV channel.
Delay Time	1-250 x 100ms	Sets the amount of time (in 100 millisecond intervals) for the wait for reply delay if Delay is On, e.g., 20=2 seconds.
Digital AGC	On or Off	Controls Digital AGC function for the CONV channel.
Supertrack	On or Off	Alternative DSP decoding algorithm. May help reception on some systems.
AudioBoost	On or Off	Applies a 6 dB boost to audio levels when the object is active.
Hit Count	Numeric value	Increments each time a transmission is received on the CONV object. Global "Hit Counts" must be set to ON. Press the <b>Df1t</b> softkey to reset to 0.

## TGRP Menu

The TGRP menu is used when creating new Trunking Talkgroup objects, or editing existing Trunking Talkgroup objects.

TGRP Parameter	Options	Description
Scan Lists	On or Off for Scan Lists 1-22	Sets membership in Scan Lists. Use ◀▶ keys to scroll through Scan Lists. Use <b>SEL</b> key to toggle Scan List membership. A "*" next to the Scan List number indicates that the object is mapped to that Scan List.
TSYS	New or previously stored trunking system object (TSYS)	To enter a new trunking system, use the ◀▶ keys to scroll through the stored systems until NEW appears, then press <b>SEL</b> to enter the parameters for the new TSYS. To use a trunking system that you have previously entered, use the ◀▶ keys to scroll to the desired system.
ID	Decimal, hex or AFS, depending on TSYS type	The digital address of the talkgroup or individual radio ID on the trunked radio system.
Type	Group or Private	Use <b>Group</b> for talkgroup ID, <b>Private</b> for individual radio ID.
Tag	Alpha-numeric text	The alphanumeric display name for the TGRP. Use the standard text entry method or QTXT to name the object.
L/Out	On or Off	Permanent lockout for the TGRP. Also accessed by pressing <b>FUNC L/OUT</b> while the scanner is stopped on the TGRP object.
Priority	On or Off	Turns Priority Mode on or off for the TGRP object.
LED Mode	Solid or Flash	Controls whether the Alert LED flashes or remains on solid when the Alert LED is used.
LED Color	0-7	Sets LED color to <b>0-7</b> as defined in the GLOB menu. By default, <b>0</b> =LED Off, <b>1</b> =Red, <b>2</b> =Yellow, <b>3</b> =Green, <b>4</b> =Cyan, <b>5</b> =Blue, <b>6</b> =Magenta, <b>7</b> =White.

TGRP Parameter	Options	Description
Latch LED	On or Off	Normally the Alert LED is active only while the object is receiving a transmission. When <b>Latch</b> is on, the Alert LED will remain lit after the transmission is complete, unless overridden by a subsequent object that is also using the Alert LED.
Backlight	On, Off or Flash	Controls whether the backlight should be on, off or flashing while the object is active.
Alarm	None, Chirp, Hi-Lo, Alert, Ring, 2-Chirp, Fast Hi-Lo, DTMF#	Sets the Audible Alarm for the TGRP object. When an Audible Alarm is selected, the selected alarm will play at the beginning of each transmission on the TGRP object, or anytime the scanner stops for activity on the TGRP object while scanning.
Fav	Yes or No	When On, the TGRP object is a member of the Favorites Scan List.
Skywarn	Yes or No	When On, the CONV object is a member of the Skywarn Scan List.
EXPERT BELOW		
Delay	On or Off	Controls whether a Delay is used to wait for reply traffic after a transmission on the TGRP.
Delay Time	1-250 x 100 ms	Sets the amount of time (in 100 millisecond intervals) for the wait for reply delay if Delay is On, e.g., 20=2 seconds.
AudioBoost	On or Off	Applies a 6 dB boost to audio levels when the object is active.
Hit Count	Numeric value	Increments each time a transmission is received on the TGRP object. Global "Hit Counts" must be set to ON. Press the <b>Dflt</b> softkey to reset to 0.

**TSYS Menu**

The TSYS menu is used when creating new Trunking System objects, or editing existing Trunking System objects.

TSYS Parameter	Options	Description
Type	MOT 800/900, MOT VHF/UHF, P25 MANUAL, P25 AUTO, EDACS STD, EDACS NAROW, LTR	Sets the trunking system type. Choose <b>MOT 800/900</b> if the system is a Motorola 800 or 900 MHz analog or digital trunked radio system that uses the 3600 baud control channel. Use <b>P25 AUTO</b> for most Project 25 systems that send channel table information over the system control channel. Use <b>P25 MANUAL</b> if it is necessary to manually set the channel table information or if you wish to use the default 800 MHz table data. Use <b>EDACS STD</b> for most 800 MHz EDACS systems using the 9600 BPS EDACS control channel. Use <b>EDACS NAROW</b> for most 900 MHz and some VHF/UHF EDACS systems using the 4800 BPS EDACS control channel. Use <b>LTR</b> for Logic Trunked Radio (LTR) systems.
Tag	Alpha-numeric text	The alphanumeric display name for the TSYS. Use the standard text entry method or QTXT to name the object.
Frequencies	SEL	Press <b>SEL</b> to enter trunked radio system frequencies. Enter control channel frequencies in any order for all Motorola and Project 25 trunking systems. Enter system frequencies in LCN order for all EDACS trunking systems. Enter system frequencies in Home Repeater order for LTR systems.
L/Out	On or Off	Permanent lockout for the TSYS. When On, no traffic will be received on any programmed TGRPs for this TSYS.
EXPERT BELOW		
Atten	On or Off	When on, applies 20 dB of attenuation to all transmissions on this TSYS. Useful in areas where interference from nearby strong signals is present.

TSYS Parameter	Options	Description
Narrow FM	Yes or No	Use Yes when the system is known to use Narrow FM modulation. Most 900 MHz analog trunked radio systems utilize NFM modulation. This setting has no effect on digital trunked radio system performance.
AudioBoost	On or Off	Activates 6 dB audio level boost for all activity on this TSYS.
Dwell	0-200 x 100 mS	Sets the amount of time the scanner dwells on a Motorola, P25 or EDACS system control channel for activity on programmed talkgroups. Use <b>0</b> for automatic mode, which uses control channel information to determine when all current talkgroup information has been broadcast by the system.
Digital AGC	On or Off	Controls Digital AGC function for the TSYS.
Supertrack	On or Off	Alternative DSP decoding algorithm. May help reception on some systems.
Multi-Site	Off, Roam or Stat (Stationary)	Used with networked Motorola and P25 trunked radio systems. When <b>Multi-Site=Off</b> , the scanner will find the first usable control channel in the control channel list and use it to track the system. When <b>Multi-Site=Roam</b> , the scanner will always attempt to lock on to control channels where the decoding quality is greater than Threshold Hi, and will search for new control channels when the decoding quality of a control channel drops below Threshold Lo. If no control channels are available that meet the Threshold Hi criteria, the scanner will seek the best control channel to use, and continue checking periodically for a new control channel that meets the Threshold Hi criteria. When <b>Multi-Site=STAT</b> , the scanner will track the system using every usable control channel in the control channel list.
Threshold Hi	1-99	Available When Multi-Site is set to ROAM. Sets the control channel decode % threshold for a site to be considered good when looking for a new site.

TSYS Parameter	Options	Description
Threshold Lo	1-99	Available When Multi-Site is set to ROAM. Sets the control channel decode % threshold for a site to be considered out of range, which will begin the process of looking for a new site.
T Tables	Default, Splinter, Custom	For Motorola and P25 systems only - sets custom channel tables. Use ◀▶, to select option, press <b>SEL</b> on Custom to enter custom table information.
Fleet Map	Type I	For Motorola Type I systems only—sets fleet map.

## LMIT Menu

The LMIT menu is used when creating new Limit Search objects, or editing existing Limit Search objects.

LMIT Parameter	Options	Description
Scan Lists	On or Off for Scan Lists 1-22	Sets membership in Scan Lists. Use ◀▶ keys to scroll through Scan Lists. Use <b>SEL</b> key to toggle Scan List membership. A "*" next to the Scan List number indicates that the object is mapped to that Scan List.
FrLo	Any supported frequency in MHz	A frequency that will be used as the lower limit for the limit search range.
FrHi	Any supported frequency in MHz	A frequency that will be used as the upper limit for the limit search range.
Tag	Alpha-numeric text	The alphanumeric display name for the LMIT search. Use the standard text entry method or QTXT to name the object.
L/Out	On or Off	Permanent lockout for the LMIT channel. Also accessed by pressing <b>FUNC L/OUT</b> while the scanner is stopped on the LMIT object.
LED Mode	Solid or Flash	Controls whether the Alert LED flashes or remains on solid when the Alert LED is used.

LMIT Parameter	Options	Description
LED Color	0-7	Sets LED color to <b>0-7</b> as defined in the GLOB menu. By default, <b>0</b> =LED Off, <b>1</b> =Red, <b>2</b> =Yellow, <b>3</b> =Green, <b>4</b> =Cyan, <b>5</b> =Blue, <b>6</b> =Magenta, <b>7</b> =White.
Latch LED	On or Off	Normally the Alert LED is active only while the object is receiving a transmission. When <b>Latch</b> is on, the Alert LED will remain lit after the transmission is complete, unless overridden by a subsequent object that is also using the Alert LED.
Backlight	On, Off or Flash	Controls whether the backlight should be on, off or flashing while the object is active.
Alarm	None, Chirp, Hi-Lo, Alert, Ring, 2-Chirp, Fast Hi-Lo, DTMF#	Sets the Audible Alarm for the LMIT object. When an Audible Alarm is selected, the selected alarm will play anytime the scanner stops for activity on the LMIT object while scanning.
Fav	Yes or No	When On, the LMIT object is a member of the Favorites Scan List.
EXPERT BELOW		
Modulation	Auto, AM, FM, NFM	Modulation setting for the LMIT search. In most cases <b>Auto</b> will work fine. Use <b>AM</b> to override and force AM modulation, <b>FM</b> to force FM modulation, <b>NFM</b> to force narrow FM modulation.
Atten	On or Off	When on, applies 20 dB of attenuation to all hits received on the LMIT search. Useful in areas where interference from nearby strong signals is present.
Delay	On or Off	Controls whether a Delay is used to wait for reply traffic after a transmission is received during the LMIT search.
Delay Time	1-250 x 100 ms	Sets the amount of time (in 100 millisecond intervals) for the wait for reply delay if Delay is On, e.g., 20=2 seconds.

LMIT Parameter	Options	Description
Zeromatic	On or Off	When on, enhances the scanner's ability to lock on to the actual center frequency of a search hit instead of an adjacent frequency.
Search Dir	Up or Down	Sets search direction used when LMIT object is active.
Hit Count	Numeric value	Increments each time a transmission is received on the LMIT object. Global "Hit Counts" must be set to ON. Press the <b>Dflt</b> softkey to reset to 0.

## SRVC Menu

The SRVC menu is used when creating new Service Search objects, or editing existing Service Search objects.

SRVC Parameter	Options	Description
Scan Lists	On or Off for Scan Lists 1-22	Sets membership in Scan Lists. Use <b>◀▶</b> keys to scroll through Scan Lists. Use <b>SEL</b> key to toggle Scan List membership. A "*" next to the Scan List number indicates that the object is mapped to that Scan List.
Srvc	Pub Safety, Aircraft, Amateur, CB, Marine, FRS/GM/MURS, Railroad	<b>Pub Safety</b> (Public Safety) searches commonly used public safety frequencies. <b>Aircraft</b> searches civilian and military air frequencies. <b>Amateur</b> searches amateur radio frequencies. <b>CB</b> searches the citizen's band radio frequencies. <b>Marine</b> searches the VHF-FM marine radio band. <b>FRS/GMRS/MURS/DOT/STAR</b> (F/G/MURS) searches the FRS, GMRS, MURS, DOT and STAR radio frequencies. <b>Railroad</b> searches the Association of American Railroads (AAR) VHF railroad frequencies used in the US and Canada.  See <b>Appendix A</b> on page 94 for Search Band Group frequencies.

SRVC Parameter	Options	Description
Groups	Use <b>◀▶</b> to scroll, <b>SEL</b> to toggle on/off	Toggle search groups when Pub Safety, Aircraft and Amateur service searches are used.  See <b>Appendix A</b> on page 94 for Search Band Group frequencies.
Tag	Alpha-numeric text	The alphanumeric display name for the SRVC search. Use the standard text entry method or QTXT to name the object.
L/Out	On or Off	Permanent lockout for the SRVC object. Also accessed by pressing <b>FUNC L/OUT</b> while the scanner is stopped on the SRVC object.
LED Mode	Solid or Flash	Controls whether the Alert LED flashes or remains on solid when the Alert LED is used.
LED Color	0-7	Sets LED color to <b>0-7</b> as defined in the GLOB menu. By default, <b>0</b> =LED Off, <b>1</b> =Red, <b>2</b> =Yellow, <b>3</b> =Green, <b>4</b> =Cyan, <b>5</b> =Blue, <b>6</b> =Magenta, <b>7</b> =White.
Latch LED	On or Off	Normally the Alert LED is active only while the object is receiving a transmission. When <b>Latch</b> is on, the Alert LED will remain lit after the transmission is complete, unless overridden by a subsequent object that is also using the Alert LED.
Backlight	On, Off or Flash	Controls whether the backlight should be on, off or flashing while the object is active.
Alarm	None, Chirp, Hi-Lo, Alert, Ring, 2-Chirp, Fast Hi-Lo, DTMF#	Sets the Audible Alarm for the SRVC object. When an Audible Alarm is selected, the selected alarm will play anytime the scanner stops for activity on the SRVC object while scanning.
Fav	Yes or No	When On, the SRVC object is a member of the Favorites Scan List.

SRVC Parameter	Options	Description
EXPERT BELOW		
Modulation	Auto, AM, FM, NFM	Modulation setting for the SRVC search. In most cases <b>Auto</b> will work fine. Use <b>AM</b> to override and force AM modulation, <b>FM</b> to force FM modulation, <b>NFM</b> to force narrow FM modulation.
Atten	On or Off	When on, applies 20 dB of attenuation to all hits received on the SRVC search. Useful in areas where interference from nearby strong signals is present.
Delay	On or Off	Controls whether a Delay is used to wait for reply traffic after a transmission on the SRVC search.
Delay Time	1-250 x 100ms	Sets the amount of time (in 100 millisecond intervals) for the wait for reply delay if Delay is On, e.g., 20=2 seconds.
Zeromatic	On or Off	When on, enhances the scanner's ability to lock on to the actual center frequency of a search hit instead of an adjacent frequency.
Search Dir	Up or Down	Sets search direction used when SRVC object is active.
Hit Count	Numeric value	Increments each time a transmission is received on the SRVC object. Global "Hit Counts" must be set to ON. Press the <b>Dflt</b> softkey to reset to 0.

## STLK Menu

The STLK menu is used when creating new Signal Stalker II objects, or editing existing Signal Stalker II objects.

STLK Parameters	Options	Description
Scan Lists	On or Off for Scan Lists 1-22	Sets membership in Scan Lists. Use <b>◀▶</b> keys to scroll through Scan Lists. Use <b>SEL</b> key to toggle Scan List membership. A "*" next to the Scan List number indicates that the object is mapped to that Scan List.
Type	All Bands or Pub Safety	Use <b>◀▶</b> to select All Bands or Public Safety. <b>All Bands</b> covers the entire frequency range of the scanner. <b>Pub Safety</b> covers frequency ranges commonly used for public safety communications.
Sub-bands	<b>◀▶</b> , <b>SEL</b>	Sub bands are available when using STLK in All Bands or Public Safety mode. See <b>Appendix A</b> on page 94 for Search Band Group frequencies.
Tag	Alpha-numeric text	The alphanumeric display name for the STLK object. Use the standard text entry method or QTXT to name the object.
L/Out	On or Off	Permanent lockout for the STLK search. Also accessed by pressing <b>FUNC L/OUT</b> while the scanner is stopped on the STLK object.
LED Mode	Solid or Flash	Controls whether the Alert LED flashes or remains on solid when the Alert LED is used.
LED Color	0-7	Sets LED color to <b>0-7</b> as defined in the GLOB menu. By default, <b>0</b> =LED Off, <b>1</b> =Red, <b>2</b> =Yellow, <b>3</b> =Green, <b>4</b> =Cyan, <b>5</b> =Blue, <b>6</b> =Magenta, <b>7</b> =White.
Latch LED	On or Off	Normally the Alert LED is active only while the object is receiving a transmission. When <b>Latch</b> is on, the Alert LED will remain lit after the transmission is complete, unless overridden by a subsequent object that is also using the Alert LED.



STLK Parameters	Options	Description
Backlight	On, Off or Flash	Controls whether the backlight should be on, off or flashing while the object is active.
Alarm	None, Chirp, Hi-Lo, Alert, Ring, 2-Chirp, Fast Hi-Lo, DTMF#	Sets the Audible Alarm for the STLK object. When an Audible Alarm is selected, the selected alarm will play anytime the scanner stops for activity on the STLK object while scanning.
Fav	Yes or No	When On, the STLK object is a member of the Favorites Scan List.
EXPERT BELOW		
Atten	On or Off	When on, applies 20 dB of attenuation to all hits received on the STLK search. Useful in areas where interference from nearby strong signals is present.
Delay	On or Off	Controls whether a Delay is used to wait for reply traffic after a transmission on the STLK search.
Delay Time	1-250 x 100ms	Sets the amount of time (in 100 millisecond intervals) for the wait for reply delay if Delay is On, e.g., 20=2 seconds.
Zeromatic	On or Off	When on, enhances the scanner's ability to lock on to the actual center frequency of a search hit instead of an adjacent frequency.
Special	On or Off	STLK works by quickly sweeping the RF spectrum in 1 MHz increments to find nearby strong signals. If the 1 MHz sweep indicates that activity is present in the 1 MHz range, STLK sweeps that range to find the source.
Search Dir	Up or Down	Sets search direction used when STLK object is active.
Hit Count	Numeric value	Increments each time a transmission is received on the STLK object. Global "Hit Counts" must be set to ON. Press the <b>Df1t</b> softkey to reset to 0.

## Appendix C: Text Entry and QuickText

Your scanner uses a simple text entry method that allows entry of all uppercase and lowercase letters of the alphabet, numbers, and punctuation symbols. Your scanner also features QuickText, which allows you to store up to 10 commonly used text items for instant recall while editing alphanumeric fields.

### Text Entry

To enter a letter in an alphanumeric text field, press the number key below the letter you wish to type first, then press the number key that corresponds with the position of the letter in the silk screen group.

For example, the number **2** is used to access the letters A, B and C. To type the letter A, press **2** to select the ABC group, then **1** to select the first letter in the group. Likewise, to type the letter B, press **2** to select the ABC group, then press **2** again to select the second letter in the group. And, to type the letter C, press **2**, then **3** to select the third letter in the group.

- To enter numbers in alphanumeric text fields, press **1** first, then the number you wish to type.
- To enter punctuation, press **0** first to see the first set of punctuation, then press the number key that corresponds with the position of the desired punctuation mark in the set.
- To enter a space, press the . (period) key to enter a SPACE.
- While using Standard Text Entry, the **FUNC** key serves as a shift key.
- For letters, uppercase text is typed by default, and you can shift to lowercase by pressing **FUNC** before entering a character.

- For punctuation, **FUNC** accesses a second set of punctuation marks. The shift action of **FUNC** remains active until it is pressed again.
- Press ◀ or ▶ to move the cursor to the desired location in edit fields. Press **FUNC** ◀ or **FUNC** ▶ to move the cursor to the beginning or end of an edit field.
- Use **CLR** as a backspace key to erase characters before the cursor, and press **FUNC CLR** to clear the entire field.

Char	Press	Char	Press	Char	Press	Char	Press
A	21	O	63	3	13	?	07
B	22	P	71	4	14	->	08
C	23	Q	72	5	15	'	09
D	31	R	73	6	16	<-	00
E	32	S	74	7	17	.	0(F)1
F	33	T	81	8	18	-	0(F)2
G	41	U	82	9	19	#	0(F)3
H	42	V	83	0	10	_	0(F)4
I	43	W	91	\$	01	@	0(F)5
J	51	X	92	%	02	+	0(F)6
K	52	Y	93	!	03	*	0(F)7
L	53	Z	94	^	04	&	0(F)8
M	61	1	11	(	05	/	0(F)9
N	62	2	12	)	06	,	0(F)0

**Note:** Press **FUNC** for lower case letters.

## QuickText

QuickText allows you to store up to 10 commonly used text items for instant recall while editing alphanumeric fields. For example, as you search, store, and name new CONV or TGRP objects, you may find that you type the same words over and over, such as POLICE, FIRE, SHERIFF, STATE, CITY, COUNTY, etc.

- A few common QuickText words are provided for your convenience. You can keep these, edit them to your preferences, or replace them with your own custom QuickText words.
- QuickText can be used while editing any alphanumeric text field.

### To insert a stored QuickText item:

1. While editing an alphanumeric text field, press ◀ or ▶ to position the cursor where you want the QuickText inserted, then press the QTXT softkey.

The top row of the display will show the available QuickText phrases.

2. Press ▲ or ▼ to scroll through the stored QuickText phrases, and press **SEL** to insert the QuickText phrase at the cursor location.

As a shortcut, press the number key on the numeric keypad that corresponds with the QuickText item you wish to use, instead of scrolling and pressing **SEL**.

## Customizing QuickText

### To edit the QuickText words:

1. Press **PROG**, then the **GLOB** softkey.
2. Press **▲** or **▼** to scroll to **QTXT** and find the QuickText storage location that you wish to change.
3. Press **►** to edit the QuickText entry.
4. Use the standard text entry method to enter your desired text.

**Note:** When you use your QTXT entry in a text field, any unused spaces will be filled with space characters. If you want to leave room for adding text, enter a space after your QTXT, then a dollar sign (\$). When you use your QTXT in a text field, and the edit cursor will be positioned just after the space so you can continue adding text to the text field.

5. Once you are finished editing your QTXT storage location, press the **SAVE** softkey to save the QTXT.
6. Press the **SAVE** softkey again to save the changes you made to the **GLOB** menu.

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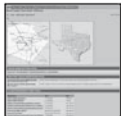


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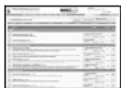
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