

# **Imperial Communication System J-Box (iComm system)**

A Static Burst Voice Box

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### INTRODUCTION

You are now the proud owner of an Imperial Communication System J-Box. The iComm was designed to add a static burst/click after every voice transmission. When used with an Aker Voice amplifier you will find that you now have a very authentic radio transmission effect. We designed the iComm to be simple to operate and reliable to use. The iComm comes with its own self contained box (the J-Box) that will protect the card from potential damage when worn with a costume. We also designed the iComm to have just the basic features you need to sound authentic. The iComm can operate with a Push to Talk (PTT) cable or with Voice Activation (VOX). In addition, you will have the capability of selecting specific sounds on the card that you want to use after every transmission.

Figure 1



# Figure 2b iComm J-Box Using PTT Cable iComm J-Box using VOX (No PTT) Aker Voice amp

### **FEATURES:**

- 8 different static burst sounds
- Random static burst mode
- o Individual sound mode
- Push to Talk activation
- Voice (VOX) activation
- o Plug and Play design
- o Dimensions: 3.12in x 2.25in x 0.75in
- o Weight: 2.3oz

### PACKAGE CONTENTS:

- o Imperial Communication System
- Protective J-Box
- o PTT Cable (Type 1, one male 3.5mm prong)
- o Operation Manual, 3.5mm Patch Cable
- Not included: Aker Voice amplifier, Microphone, 3.5mm patch cable. These can be purchased separately direct from TK6294 or www.TKProductsLLC.net.

## WIRING SET-UP

# Push to Talk (PTT) Mode (Figure 2a)

- 1. Plug the included PTT cable into the PTT port on the iComm J-Box (Figure 1).
- 2. Plug the Aker wired microphone into the Microphone port on the iComm J-Box (Figure 1).
- 3. Using a 3.5mm patch cord (like the one that come with an Aker Amp), plug one end into the output port on the iComm J-box (Figure 1).
- 4. Plug the other end of the 3.5mm Aker patch cord into the Microphone port on the Aker Voice Amplifier.
- 5. Turn on the Aker Voice Amp and adjust volume to desired setting. The iComm J-Box has a LED light (Figure 1) that will flash once when the Aker Voice amp is turned on.
- 6. Hold down the PTT button and talk. When done talking release the button and you will hear the Static Burst sound.

### **Voice Activated (VOX) Mode (Figure 2b)**

- 1. Plug the Aker wired microphone into the Microphone port on the iComm J-Box (Figure 1).
- 2. Using a 3.5mm patch cord (like the one that come with an Aker Amp), plug one end into the output port on the iComm J-box (Figure 1).
- 3. Plug the other end of the 3.5mm Aker patch cord into the Microphone port on the Aker Voice Amplifier.
- 4. Turn on the Aker Voice Amp and adjust volume to desired setting. The iComm J-Box has a LED light (Figure 1) that will flash once when the Aker Voice amp is turned on.
- 5. Talk into the microphone. When done talking you will hear the Static Burst sound.

# CHANGING THE SOUND MODE

### **Random Static Burst Mode:**

This is the default sound mode and will always be selected when you turn on the Aker Voice Amplifier. There are 8 different static burst sounds that will be randomly selected.

### **Select Sound Mode**

There are 8 different static burst sounds that come pre-programmed on the iComm J-Box. In the Select Sound Mode you may select any of the 8 sounds so that it plays every time you release the PTT cable.

# To Select a Sound:

- 1. Hook up the iComm using the Push to Talk mode.
- 2. Make sure the Aker Voice amplifier is off.
- 3. Hold down the PTT button.
- 4. Turn on the Aker Voice amplifier while holding the PTT button.
- 5. Let go of the PTT button.
- 6. Press the PTT button to hear and cycle through each of the 8 sounds. When you find the sound that you want then wait 1-2 seconds the LED light will blink on the iComm J-box.
- 7. Then you can use the iComm as you would in the PTT mode and the selected sound will be heard after every release of the PTT cable. You may also remove the PTT cable after the one sound is selected and use the VOX mode.

# To return the iComm to Random Static Burst Mode:

- 1. Turn off the Aker Voice amplifier.
- 2. Turn on the Aker Voice amplifier but do not hold down the PTT button.
- 3. The iComm will now operate in static burst mode.

### **BATTERY REPLACEMENT**

The Imperial Communication System does have an internal 3.6v lithium battery. The battery should last a really long time since the main power comes from the Aker Voice amplifier. When the iComm no longer make a static burst sound after speaking then the internal battery will need to be replaced. If the LED light on the iComm J-box no longer flashes when you turn on the Aker Voice amplifier, please charge the AKER Voice amplifier battery. If this does not help then you may need to replace the J-box battery. They are simple to replace. You will need to order a TL-2450 lithium 3.6volt battery. They are readily available online, at electronics stores, or available from TK6294.

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