Introduction

Our Thanks to You
Thank you for purchasing a CobraMarine® VHF radio. Properly used, this Cobra® product will give you many years of reliable service.

How Your CobraMarine VHF Radio Works
This radio is a battery-powered portable transceiver for use afloat. It gives you two-way vessel-to-vessel and vessel-to-shore station communications, primarily for safety and secondarily for navigation and operational purposes. With it, you can call for help, get information from other boaters, talk to lock or bridge tenders, and make radiotelephone calls to anywhere in the world through a marine operator.

Besides two-way communications, the radio can provide quick access to receive all the NOAA (National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration) weather channels and alert you to weather emergencies with a tone on a weather channel you can tune in for your area.

Global Positioning System (GPS)
Your Cobra Marine radio includes a built-in GPS receiver. Your position will be continuously indicated on the LCD and, most importantly, it will be included automatically with any DSC Distress message you may need to send. That will take the “search” out of “search and rescue”.

Customer Assistance
Should you encounter any problems with this product, or not understand its many features, please refer to this owner’s manual. If you require further assistance after reading this manual, Cobra Electronics offers the following customer assistance services:

For Assistance in the U.S.A.
Automated Help Desk English only.
24 hours a day, 7 days a week 773-889-3087 (phone).
Customer Assistance Operators English and Spanish.
8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Central Time Mon. through Fri. (except holidays)
773-889-3087 (phone).
Questions English and Spanish.
Faxes can be received at 773-622-2269.

Technical Assistance English only.
www.cobra.com/support/faqs/marine-radios

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CALL Soft Key

MORE Soft Key

Product Features

Built-In GPS Receiver

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

Digital Selective Calling (DSC Class-D)

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

MicroBlue®

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

Easy Redial Operation

Redial of last phone number dialed.

Voice Dialing

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

Floating

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

Rewind-Say-Again®

Replays missed VHF calls.

6 Watt VHF

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

Flashlight/S.O.S. Light

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

Submersible to IPX8 Standards

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

All NOAA Weather Channels

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

Emergency Weather Alert

Receive NOAA alerts when threatening weather is nearby.

Unlimited Memory Channels

Allows programming of unlimited VHF memory channels.

Tri-Watch

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

Channel Names

Friendly VHF channel names under the channel number.

Channel Scan/Memory Scan

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

Signal Strength Meter

Shows the strength of incoming or outgoing signals.

Button/Key Lock

Prevents accidental setting changes when button lock is set.

Illuminated Buttons

Allows high visibility of all function buttons.

AA Battery Compatible

Good for emergency backup.

Includes AA battery tray (P/N CM 110-035).

120V/12V Charger Included

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

Locking Desktop Charger

Holds the radio or battery in place while charging. Vertical or horizontal mounting.
**Backlit Screen and Product Features**

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*Nothing Comes Close to a Cobra*®
Important Safety Information

Before using your CobraMarine VHF radio, please read these general precautions and warnings.

Warning and Notice Statements

To make the most of this radio, it must be used properly. Please read the installation and operating instructions carefully before using the radio. Special attention must be paid to the WARNING and NOTICE statements in this manual.

WARNING

Statements identify conditions that could result in personal injury or loss of life.

NOTICE

Statements identify conditions that could cause damage to the radio or other equipment.

Safety Training Information

This CobraMarine VHF radio complies with the following guidelines and standards regarding RF energy and electromagnetic energy levels as well as evaluation of those levels for human exposure:


Conformité d’exposition de la fréquence du Canada RSS-102-Radio d’industrie (rf) de l’appareillage de communication par radio (toutes les bandes de fréquence).

General Precautions

The following WARNINGs and NOTICE information will make you aware of RF exposure hazards and how to assure you operate the radio within the FCC RF exposure limits established for the radio.

WARNINGs

Your radio generates electromagnetic RF (radio frequency) energy when it is transmitting. To ensure that you and those around you are not exposed to excessive amounts of that energy, DO NOT touch the antenna when transmitting. KEEP the radio at least two (2) inches (5 cm) away from yourself and others when transmitting.

DO NOT operate with more than a duty cycle of 5% transmit, 5% receive and 90% standby. The radio is transmitting when the Talk button is pressed and the transmit information shows on the LCD screen.

ALWAYS use only Cobra authorized accessories.

DO NOT operate the radio in an explosive atmosphere, near blasting sites, or in any area where signs are posted prohibiting radio transmissions.

NEVER place the transceiver where it might interfere with operation of your vessel or cause injury.

DO NOT allow children or anyone unfamiliar with proper procedures to operate the radio without supervision.

Failure to observe any of these warnings may cause you to exceed FCC RF exposure limits or create other dangerous conditions.

Changes or modifications to your radio MAY VOID its compliance with FCC (Federal Communications Commission) rules and make it illegal to use.

The device complies with RF specifications when the device is used at a distance 25mm from your front face and 0mm from your body; Maximum SAR Value (1g): 5.76 W/Kg.

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Industry Canada Antenna Notice

Under Industry Canada regulations, this radio transmitter may only operate using an antenna of a type and maximum (or lesser) gain approved for the transmitter by Industry Canada. To reduce potential radio interference to other users, the antenna type and its gain should be so chosen that the equivalent isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) is not more than that necessary for successful communication.

Avis d’antenne du Canada d’industrie

En vertu de la réglementation de l’industrie du Canada, cet émetteur de radio ne peut fonctionner à l’aide d’une antenne d’un type et un maximum (ou moins) Gain approuvé pour l’émetteur par Industrie Canada. Pour réduire le risque d’interférence aux autres utilisateurs, le type d’antenne et son gain doivent être choisis afin que la puissance isotrope rayonnée équivalente (PIRE) ne dépasse pas ce qui est nécessaire pour une communication réussie.
General Precautions

NOTICE
Your radio is waterproof only when the battery pack is properly installed.

AVOID using or storing the radio at temperatures below -4°F (-20°C) or above 140°F (60°C).

KEEP your radio at least 3 ft (0.9 m) away from your vessel’s magnetic navigation compass.

DO NOT attempt to service any internal parts yourself. Have any necessary service performed by a qualified technician.

This radio is supplied with a lithium-ion (LiON) rechargeable battery pack.
- Use only the Cobra charger to recharge lithium-ion (LiON) batteries in the radio.
- Do not short circuit the battery pack.
- When replacing the batteries, dispose of the old batteries properly. Batteries may explode if disposed of in a fire.

CAUTION Risk of explosion if battery is replaced by an incorrect type. Dispose of used batteries according to the instructions.

Recommendations for Marine Communication

The frequencies your radio uses are set aside to enhance safety afloat and for vessel navigation and operational messages over a range suitable for nearshore voyages. If the 6 watt maximum output of your radio is not sufficient for the distances you travel from the coast, consider installing a Cobra Marine fixed mount radio with up to 25 watts of output power. (Visit www.cobra.com or your local dealer for model availability.)

If traveling far offshore, you should consider adding even more powerful radio equipment such as HF single side band or satellite radio for your vessel. The U.S. Coast Guard does not endorse cellular telephones as substitutes for marine radios. They generally cannot communicate with rescue vessels and, if you make a distress call on a cellular telephone, only the party you call will be able to hear you. Additionally, cellular telephones may have limited coverage over water and can be hard to locate. If you do not know where you are, the Coast Guard will have difficulty finding you if you are using a cellular telephone.

However, cellular telephones can have a place on board where cellular coverage is available — to allow social conversations and keep the marine frequencies uncluttered and available for their intended uses.

FCC Licensing Information

Sea Tow Automated Radio Check (ARC) System
Please try the Sea Tow Automated Radio Check service. Areas where the safety check service is available include the East Coast, Gulf of Mexico, Southern California, and select inland locations including the Great Lakes. The first and only boating safety program of its kind, the Sea Tow Automated Radio Check service is fully automated and allows 24 hour a day automated responses to radio check calls.

Conducting a radio check through the Sea Tow Automated Radio Check service couldn’t be simpler. All boaters need to do is tune their VHF radio to Channel 24, 25, 26, 27, 28 or 84 (channel varies by location), then key the mic and ask for a radio check. The system responds to each radio check with an automated reply including the location, and also replays the boater’s original radio transmission, allowing them to assess the strength of the signal and confirm the VHF radio is in good working order.

To find the Sea Tow Automated Radio Check service channel in an area boaters, radio owners should visit www.seatow.com/arc. The web page allows you to search for the local channel and has an instructional video on how to use the service step by step.

FCC Licensing Information

CobraMarine VHF radios comply with the FCC (Federal Communications Commission) requirements that regulate the Maritime Radio Service.

This CobraMarine radio incorporates a VHF FM transceiver designed for use in the frequency range of 156.025 to 163.275 MHz. It has a switchable RF output power of one (1), three (3) or six (6) watts.

The transceiver is capable of Class-D (Digital Selective Calling) operation in accordance with CFR Part 47, Section 80.225.

The radio operates on all currently allocated marine channels and is switchable for use according to U.S.A., International or Canadian regulations. It features instant access to emergency Channel 16 and calling Channel 9 as well as NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) All Hazards Radio with Alert.

Station License
An FCC ship station license is no longer required for any vessel traveling in U.S.A. waters which uses a VHF marine radio, RADAR, or EPIRB (Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon), and which is not required to carry radio equipment. However, any vessel required to carry a marine radio on an international voyage, carrying an HF single side band radiotelephone, or carrying a marine satellite terminal must obtain a station license.

FCC license forms and applications for ship and land stations can be downloaded through the Internet at www.fcc.gov. Forms can also be obtained by calling the FCC at 888-225-5322.

International Station License
If your vessel will be entering the sovereign waters of a country other than the U.S.A. or Canada, you should contact that country’s communications regulatory authority for licensing information.

Radio Call Sign
Currently, the FCC does not require recreational boaters to have a license. The United States Coast Guard recommends that the boat’s registration number and state of registry (e.g., IL 1234 AB) be used as a call sign and be clearly visible on the vessel.
Canadian Ship Station License
You need a Radio Operator’s Certificate if your vessel is operated in Canadian waters. Radio Operator training and certification is available from the Canadian Power Squadron. Visit their website at http://www.cps-ecp.ca/.

User Responsibility and Operating Locations
All users are responsible for observing domestic and foreign government regulations and are subject to severe penalties for violations. The VHF frequencies on your radio are reserved for marine use and require a special license to operate from land, including when your boat is on its trailer.

FCC Statement
This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two (2) 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.

NOTE
This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:
- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

NOTE
Any changes or modifications to this unit not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user’s authority to operate the equipment.

IC Statement
This device complies with Industry Canada licence-exempt RSS standard(s): Operation is subject to the following Two conditions: (1) this device may not cause interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference, including interference that may cause undesired operation of the device.

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

Included in this Package

- Radio
- Drop-In Battery Charger
- AC Charger
- DC Charger
- LION Battery Pack
- Antenna
- Operating Instruction Manual
- Spring-Loaded Belt Clip
- Wrist Strap
- Alkaline Battery Tray
- NMEA Input Cable
Install/Remove Antenna

1. To install the antenna turn the antenna into the radio clockwise to tighten. Do not overtighten.
2. To remove the antenna turn the antenna counterclockwise.

This radio transmitter IC: 906A-MRHH600 has been approved by Industry Canada to operate with the supplied antenna. Other antennas are strictly prohibited for use with this device.

Batteries and Charger

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

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

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

Installing the Battery Pack

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

Wrist Strap and Belt Clip

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

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

Charging

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

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

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**NOTE**

If the drop-in charger is used on a boat, Cobra recommends you attach it to a horizontal shelf or vertical bulkhead (using the screw holes provided) to prevent possible damage due to the boat rolling or pitching. The charging base has been designed to hold the battery pack in place during rough sea conditions. See page 87 for the compatible Cobra charger accessories.

**WARNING**

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

**Alkaline Batteries**

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

**WARNING**

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

**Maintaining the Battery Charge**

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

**NOTE**

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

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

To Remove Battery Pack from Radio

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

**NOTE**

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

**NOTICE**

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

**Alkaline Battery Tray**

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Getting Started

Refer to the foldout at the front of this manual to identify the various controls and indicators on your radio. Throughout this manual you will be instructed to “Press” or to “Press and Hold” various buttons (except “Push to Talk”) on the radio. “Press” means a momentary press of approximately one (1) second. “Press and Hold” means to hold the button down for approximately two (2) seconds. Whenever you press any button except the Talk button on your radio, a brief tone will sound to confirm the button press. With all button presses, the appropriate icon will appear on the LCD and the backlight will turn On. The backlight will stay On for 10 seconds after the button is released.

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

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

Error Tone
Three low-pitched beep indicates an invalid button press.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Weather Alarm
Medium-loud, continuous, medium-pitched series of one-half (1⁄2) second beeps spaced one-half (1⁄2) second apart — sounds when weather alert is turned On and NOAA sends a 1050 Hz weather alert tone on the selected weather channel. Press any button to turn it Off.

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

Power/Volume Control

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

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

- To increase the volume, turn the On/Off/Volume control clockwise.
- To decrease the volume, turn the On/Off/Volume control counterclockwise.
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Radio Speaker and Microphone
The internal Radio Speaker and Microphone are located on the bottom front face of the radio below the lower control buttons. An optional Speaker/Microphone port is located at the top of the radio between the antenna and the Power/Volume control. Unthread the Speaker/Microphone port cover to access and install an optional Cobra speaker microphone into this port.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**To Change Channels:**
Press the Channel Up/Down button.
You can press and hold the Channel Up/Down button for fast advance. If the new channel selected is restricted to low power, the radio will automatically switch to Low Power mode and the Low Power icon will appear on the LCD. If the radio is in the Key Lock mode, the channel will not change and the three (3) beep error signal will sound.

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

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

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

**NOTE**
A few channels are Receive only and will not transmit in these channels.
Getting Started

SCAN
Press and release the SCAN soft key to scan all channels. Scanning begins at the selected lower channel, and scans to higher channels. Press the Channel Up/Down button to change the scan direction. When a signal is received in SCAN mode, the radio will pause 10 seconds before resuming SCAN operation. The scan will stop on the paused channel and remain there when the Talk button is pressed. If memory channels are saved, press and release the SCAN button to scan all memory channels.

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

Squelch Control
Squelch Control filters weak signals and radio frequency (RF) noise so that you will clearly hear the signals you want.
The Squelch Control on this radio is set through the following keypad operation.

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

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

Setup Mode Programming

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

To Enter The Settings Menu:
Press the Menu button. The Settings menu will appear on the LCD. After entering the Settings menu, you can scroll through it to make as many entries as you like. Whenever the setting selection highlight appears in a feature portion of the menu, the current active setting is highlighted. When you are finished with changes, you can exit the Settings menu by pressing the Exit soft key and return to Standby mode.

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

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

Backlight Lamp Adjust

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

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

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

LCD Contrast Adjust

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

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

Confirmation Key Tone

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

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

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

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

To Set Your Radio For The Area In Which You Will Be Using It:
1. Enter the Settings menu and scroll to CHANNEL MODE.
2. Press the ENTER soft key and observe the current channel mode setting — USA, INTERNATIONAL, or CANADA.
3. Scroll to the setting you want.
4. Press the ENTER soft key to save the setting. Or press the EXIT soft key to EXIT without making changes to the Channel Map setting.
**Time Adjust**
All VHF, DSC, and GPS activities use a 24-hour clock and Universal Coordinated Time (UTC) which was formerly known as Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). Time Adjust uses your built-in GPS to gather time input. Time Adjust will allow the radio to display the time as Local time or UTC time. For time input to be converted to local time, you need to enter the hour offset of your local time zone from Greenwich. (See world city time zone chart on page 88). You can also choose to have the time displayed in a 12 or 24 hour format.

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

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

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

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

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

To Turn Weather Alert On Or Off:
1. Tap WX button.
2. Tap ALERT button.
3. The radio will display the Weather Alert Icon to indicate that the Weather Alert is active.
GPS
All VHF Marine radios SHOULD / NEED to have a GPS receiver connected and operating to effectively use the DSC (Digital Selective Calling) features built-in to the radios. In an Emergency you want the rescue authorities and surrounding vessels to know where you are and to be able to quickly assist you in your time of need. Your MR HH600 handheld VHF radio has a GPS receiver built right in!

GPS Menu
This menu allows you to select and configure the GPS receiver options in your radio to be sure that you are receiving satellite information in a format that makes sense to you. It also allows the user to monitor the satellite acquisition process and GPS signal status.

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

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

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

To Select the Satellite Based Augmentation System:
1. Enter the GPS menu and scroll to SBAS.
2. Press the ENTER key and observe the current setting.
3. Use the Up/Down buttons to select the desired setting.
4. Press the ENTER soft key to save the setting. Or press the EXIT soft key to EXIT without making any changes to the Sat Based Aug Sys setting.
GPS Status
This screen allows you to test the GPS receiver to be sure it is receiving good satellite information and GPS signal strength.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Marine Standby and Receive (Rx) Mode

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

NOTE

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

Transmit (Tx) Mode

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

To Transmit a Message:

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

Weather (WX) Alert Programming

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

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

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

Weather (WX) Standby Mode
To enter the WX Standby mode, press the WX soft key.

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

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

The following items will be displayed on the LCD display:

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

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

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

Short Cut to WX Alert On or Off Select:
1. From the Standby screen, press the WX soft key.
2. Press ALERT soft key to switch WX Alert to On or Off.
3. Press BACK soft key to return to radio mode.
Call Log and Distress Log

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

**NOTE**

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

**NOTE**

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

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

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

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

**To Delete Call Log Information:**

1. Press the CALL soft key and scroll to CALL WAITING and press the ENTER soft key.
2. Scroll to highlight DELETE CALL LOGS and press ENTER.
3. Scroll to highlight DISTRESS or RECEIVED CALLS log entry and press ENTER.
4. Confirm delete by pressing the ENTER key.
5. Press the EXIT soft key to exit CALL WAITING and return the radio to the DELETE CALL LOGS Menu.
Navigation
This radio features a NAV function that allows the user to perform basic Navigation options such as:
• Create (NEW) Waypoints by entering Latitude & Longitude information manually.
• Navigate to saved Waypoints (WPT).
• Navigate to (DST) Distressed Call locations that included GPS coordinates.
• Navigate to MARK locations (MRK)
• Edit or Delete Waypoints listed in the Waypoint Directory (DIR).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**NOTE**
Activating the MOB function does not send an emergency call.

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**Tri-Watch**

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

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

**To Enter Tri-Watch Mode:**

1. In **Standby** mode, use the **Up/Down buttons** to go to the channel you want to add as the third location to be scanned.
2. Tap the **MORE** soft key.
3. Press the **TW** soft key.

   a. To exit Tri-Watch, press the **TW** softkey or the TALK button. The radio will return to **Standby** mode on the selected third Tri-Watch channel.

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

**Channel 16+ Mode**

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

**To Switch to Channel 16+ or Channel 9:**

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

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

To Program Memory Channels:

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

Repeat steps 1 through 2 to add additional memory channels.

To Clear Memory Channels:

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

Memory Scan

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

NOTE

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

NOTE

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

To Enter Memory Scan:

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

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

To exit Memory Scan, press the SCAN soft key or Talk Button. This will return the radio to Standby mode on the last selected channel.
Rewind-Say-Again® Feature

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

Example 1:
When engine noise, music or conversation creates too much noise to hear an inbound message clearly, press the Rewind-Say-Again® button to enter the Rewind-Say-Again® menu to be able to hear the message a second time. This feature eliminates asking the sender to repeat the message.

Example 2:
When listening to an urgent distress of an excited caller with confusing background noise, press the Rewind-Say-Again® button to enter the Rewind-Say-Again® menu to be able to hear the message a second time and get lifesaving information.

Operation of Rewind-Say-Again®

1. From the Standby mode, press the Rewind soft key after the last inbound audio transmission. The last recording will immediately start to play back.

2. Using the Up/Down buttons scroll to the PLAY RECORDING menu option.

3. Press the ENTER soft key to hear the recording again.

4. The radio automatically replays the last 20 seconds of the previous audio transmission.

5. Press the Rewind key a second time to exit the Rewind menu and return to Standby mode.

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

1. Rewind is set to ON by default. The Rewind icon will appear on the Standby screen when Rewind is on (see illustration).

   a. To Turn REWIND OFF - press the Rewind key to enter the Rewind-Say-Again menu. With OFF: Exit REWIND selected, press the Enter soft key to exit and turn OFF the Rewind function.

   b. To Turn REWIND ON - press the Rewind key to enter the Rewind-Say-Again menu. With OFF: EXIT REWIND highlighted, press the Rewind key. This turns on Rewind and exits to VHF Standby mode.

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

2. PAUSE RECORDING - Pause recording of incoming audio transmissions.

3. PLAYBACK RECORDING - Playback recorded incoming audio. This can be used to repeat the playback again.

4. SAVE RECORDING - Saves recorded incoming audio.

5. ERASE RECORDING - Erases the saved recording.

6. TRANSMIT RECORDING - Transmit recorded message.

7. RECORD MESSAGE - Record a message (using the microphone to record the message, using the PTT key to start and stop the recording).

8. PLAY MESSAGE - Playback the recorded message.

9. SAVE MESSAGE - Save the recorded message.

10. ERASE MESSAGE - Erase the saved message.

11. TRANSMIT MESSAGE - Transmit the recorded message.
Bluetooth® Mode Pairing and Programming

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

To Change Between VOX On and Off:
1. From the Standby screen, press the MORE soft key until the Bluetooth soft key icon appears.
2. Press the Bluetooth icon soft key.
3. Press the Channel UP/Down soft keys to select VOX and press Enter.
4. Press the Channel UP/Down soft keys to select On/Off and press ENTER.
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NOTE
Please refer to the Bluetooth Mode Pairing and Programming section on page 28 for instructions on how to pair your mobile phone with this device. The following section covers how to complete a phone call and other basic operations.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

To Initiate a Voice Dial Call:
1. Tap the MORE soft key until the Bluetooth soft key icon appears.
2. Press and hold the Bluetooth soft key from VHF mode. This will initiate the voice dial feature on the connected mobile phone.
3. You will hear a beep or audio command from the phone and the radio will show VOICE DIAL ON. Press and hold the PTT (Push to Talk) button and speak the command into the radio.
4. The mobile phone will begin to dial the contact it “recognizes.” The call will be completed through the speaker and microphone of the radio.
5. Hang up by pressing the END soft key when you complete your call.
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**Last Number Redial**
This feature allows you to redial the last number stored in the mobile phone’s Call Log. This feature is supported by most mobile phones.

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

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

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

**General Bluetooth Operation and Frequently Asked Questions**

- **What is the Industry Standard Range for Bluetooth® Wireless Technology?**
The industry standard range for Bluetooth wireless technology is 30 feet (10 meters). The radio will lose its pairing with the mobile phone if the mobile phone and the radio are separated farther than this. The radio will automatically reconnect with the mobile phone when the user comes back into range.

- **How many phones can the radio pair with?**
The radio can be paired with up to 8 mobile phones. However, it can only connect and operate with one mobile phone at a time.

- **Do I need to have my mobile phone with me?**
Yes, the phone call is actually completed through your mobile phone and your mobile phone operator/carrier. The mobile phone must be within the 30 feet (10 meters) range of the radio. The radio does not increase the offshore range of your mobile phone.

- **Can I use a standard Bluetooth® headset with this radio?**
No, the radio is using the headset profile of the Bluetooth specification to pair with your mobile phone. It cannot pair to another Bluetooth headset.

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

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

- **Should I use my mobile phone for emergency situations on the water?**
No, Cobra does not endorse cellular telephones as a substitute for marine radios. They generally cannot communicate with rescue vessels and, if you make a distress call on your cellular telephone, only the party you call will be able to hear you.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Maintenance and Troubleshooting

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

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

Troubleshooting

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VHF Marine Radio Procedures

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

For Example

The vessel Corsair calling the vessel Vagabond:
Corsair: “Vagabond, this is Corsair (station license number call sign).”
Vagabond: “Corsair, this is Vagabond. Over.”
Corsair: “Vagabond go to working Channel 68. Over.”
Both parties switch over to the agreed upon working channel...
Corsair: “Vagabond I need to talk to you about... Over.”
Vagabond: “Corsair in answer to your question about... Over.”
Corsair: “Vagabond, thanks for the information about... (call sign and out).”

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI)

The MMSI Number Is Available In The U.S.A. From Any Of Two (2) Sources:
- U.S. Power Squadron www.usps.org
- Boat U.S. — www.getmmsi.com

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

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

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

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

To Obtain An MMSI Number Outside The U.S.A.:
Users can obtain an MMSI from their country’s telecommunications authority or ship registry. This may involve amending or obtaining a ship station license.

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

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

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

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

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

To Enter Your MMSI Number:

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

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

If You Incorrectly Enter Your MMSI Number

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

Because the MMSI number is so important to DSC operation, this limitation is imposed on all DSC capable radios to prevent constant changes and the potential introduction of errors in the process.
If You Transfer Your Radio To A Different Vessel

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

To View Your MMSI Number At Any Time:
1. Enter the DSC SETUP MENU menu and scroll to RADIO MMSI ENTRY.
2. Press the ENTER button and the already entered number will be displayed.
3. Press the EXIT soft key to return to the DSC SETUP MENU.

Individual Directory

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

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

Group MMSI Number

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

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

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

NOTE

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

Group MMSIs can be entered and changed any number of times without the need to have your radio reset.
Position Request Reply Type
The ability to send your position to another station is an added feature of DSC radios that have GPS. It is handy for rendezvous and rescue situations.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Digital Selective Calling (DSC)

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

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

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

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

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

- If the radio called sends back an automatic DSC response “able to comply,” the individual alarm will sound. Wait for a voice message from the called station.
- If an “unable to comply” response or no reply is received, the radio display asks to resend the message or exit the menu. At the Unavailable menu, Press REPEAT or EXIT soft keys.
- If REPEAT is selected, the radio restarts the individual call.
- If EXIT is selected, the radio will return to the Call Menu.
Operating Your Radio

Digital Selective Calling (DSC)

Receiving An Individual Call
When another station makes an Individual call to your radio:
- The Individual alarm sounds.
- The caller is identified on the LCD.
- If Automatic Channel Switch is on, the radio switches to the channel selected by the caller.
- Call information is placed in the Call Log.

To Answer An Individual Call:
Press the Talk button and greet the caller.

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

To Send A Group Call:
1. Press the CALL soft key and scroll to GROUP CALL and press the ENTER soft key.
2. Scroll to highlight a previously entered directory entry or use the MANUAL entry option.
3. Press the ENTER key.
4. Scroll to select the voice channel all radios will tune to after the Group Call message is sent and press the ENTER key.
5. Press the ENTER soft key to send the Group Call.
6. The radio will tune to the voice channel previously selected.
7. Press the EXIT soft key to exit the Group Call mode and return the radio to the idle screen.
- All radios switch to the channel selected in step 1. Press and hold the Talk button to send a voice message to everyone in the group.
- Anyone in the group can transmit on the channel.

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

To Answer A Group Call:
1. Listen for the group voice message.
2. Press the Talk button and respond only if appropriate.
Digital Selective Calling (DSC)

Sending A Position Request

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

To Request The Position Of Another Station:

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

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

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

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

If You Receive A Position:
The requested position with the station name and MMSI will show on your screen. Press the Enter button to return to Standby mode after you have noted the station’s position.

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

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

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

NOTICE

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

Receiving A Position Request

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

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

### When The Radio Is In Auto Reply Mode:

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

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

### When The Radio Is In The Manual Reply Mode:

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

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

**If You Choose to Reply with Your Position:**

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

**If You Choose Not to Reply with Your Position:**

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

Receiving A Position Send

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

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

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

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

Marine Emergency Signals

The three spoken international emergency signals are:

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

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

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

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

If You Hear a Distress Call

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

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

Marine Distress Procedure

Speak slowly — clearly — calmly.

1. Make sure your radio is On.
2. Select Channel 16.
3. Press Talk button and say:
   “MAYDAY — MAYDAY — MAYDAY.”
   (Or “PAN — PAN — PAN,”
   or “SECURITE — SECURITE — SECURITE.”)

4. Say:
   “THIS IS [your vessel name or call sign],” repeated three (3) times.

5. Say:
   “MAYDAY (or “PAN” or “SECURITE”)”
   [your vessel name or call sign].

6. Tell where you are:
   (what navigational aids or landmarks are nearby).

7. State the nature of your distress.
8. State the kind of assistance needed.
9. Give number of persons aboard and conditions of any injured.
10. Estimate present seaworthiness of your vessel.
11. Briefly describe your vessel (length, type, color, hull).
12. Say:
    “I WILL BE LISTENING ON CHANNEL 16.”

13. End message by saying:
    “THIS IS [your vessel name or call sign]. OVER.”

14. Release Talk button and listen. Someone should answer.
    If not, repeat the call, beginning at step 3 above.
    Keep the radio nearby. Even after your message has been received, the Coast Guard can find you more quickly if you can transmit a signal for a rescue boat to hone in on.
Emergency Messages and Distress Procedure

For Example

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

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

Marine Distress Procedure — DSC

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

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

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

To Send a Distress Message

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

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

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

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2. In the event of misuse or abuse of the product, or as a result of unauthorized alterations or repairs.
3. If the serial number has been altered, defaced, or removed.
4. If the owner of the product resides outside the U.S.A.

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Cobra first! DO NOT RETURN THIS PRODUCT TO THE STORE!

See customer assistance on page A1. If your product should require factory service, please call Cobra first before sending your radio. This will ensure the fastest turn-around time on your repair. You may be asked to send your radio to the Cobra factory. It will be necessary to furnish the following to have the product serviced and returned:

1. For warranty repair, include some form of proof-of-purchase, such as a photocopy of a sales receipt. If you send the original receipt, it cannot be returned.
2. Send the entire product.
3. Enclose a description of what is happening with the radio. Include a typed or clearly printed name and address of where the radio is to be returned.
4. Pack radio securely to prevent damage in transit. If possible, use the original packing material.
5. Ship prepaid and insured by way of a traceable carrier such as United Parcel Service (UPS) or Priority Mail to avoid loss in transit to: Cobra Factory Service, Cobra Electronics Corporation, 6500 West Cortland Street, Chicago, Illinois 60707 U.S.A.
6. If the radio is in warranty, upon receipt of your radio, it will either be repaired or exchanged depending on the model. Please allow approximately three (3) to four (4) weeks before contacting Cobra for status. If the radio is out of warranty, a letter will automatically be sent informing you of the repair charge or replacement charge.
7. If your radio is returned for factory repair, it will be returned to you with default settings restored.

If you have any questions, please call 773-889-3087 for assistance.

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VHF Marine Channel Assignments

Three sets of VHF channels have been established for marine use in the U.S.A., Canada and the rest of the world (International). Most of the channels are the same for all three maps, but there are definite differences (see table on the following pages). Your radio has all three maps built into it and will operate correctly in whichever area you choose. The following is a brief outline of the channel assignment types in the U.S.A. Channel Map. See the detailed channel map pages for assignments of each channel.

Channel Assignments (English)

Distress, Safety, and Calling
Channel 16
Getting the attention of another station (calling) or in emergencies (distress and safety).

Calling
Channel 9
General-purpose (non-emergency) calling by non-commercial vessels. Recreational boaters are urged to use this channel to reduce congestion on Channel 16.

Intership Safety
Channel 6
Ship-to-ship safety messages and for search and rescue messages to Coast Guard ships and aircraft.

Coast Guard Liaison
To talk to the Coast Guard, Canadian Coast Guard (non-emergency) after making contact on Channel 16.

Non-Commercial
Working channels for small vessels. Messages must be about needs of the vessel, such as fishing reports, berthing and rendezvous. Use Channel 72 only for ship-to-ship messages.

Commercial
Working channels for working ships only. Messages must be about business or needs of the ship. Use Channels 8, 67, 72 and 88A only for ship-to-ship messages.

Asignación de canales de VHF para radiocomunicación marítima

Existen tres mapas de canales VHF para uso marítimo en los EE.UU., Canadá y el resto del mundo (Internacional). La mayoría de los canales coinciden en los tres mapas, pero sin duda existen diferencias (consulte las tablas en las páginas siguientes). El radio incorpora los tres mapas y funcionará correctamente en cualquiera de las tres áreas.

A continuación se ofrece un breve resumen de los tipos de asignación de canal en el canal EE.UU mapa. Vea las páginas del mapa de canales destilado para asignaciones de cada canal.

Asignaciones de canales (Español)

Auxilio, seguridad y llamadas
Canal 16
Para ser oídos por otra estación (llamadas) o en casos de emergencia (auxilio y seguridad).

Llamadas
Canal 9
Llamadas de carácter general (excepto casos de emergencia) para embarcaciones no comerciales. Se le pide encarecidamente a la tripulación de las embarcaciones recreativas usar este canal para reducir la congestión del canal 16.

Seguridad entre embarcaciones
Canal 6
Para mensajes de seguridad entre embarcaciones y para mensajes de búsqueda y rescate enviados a barcos y aviones de la guardia costera.

Enlace con la guardia costera
Para hablar con las guardias costeras estadounidenses y canadienses (excepto casos de emergencia) tras haber establecido contacto por el canal 16.

No comerciales
Canales activos para pequeñas embarcaciones. Los mensajes deberán estar relacionados con necesidades de las embarcaciones, como por ejemplo, informes de pesca, atraques y agrupamientos. Use el canal 72 solamente para mensajes entre embarcaciones.

Comerciales
Canales activos para embarcaciones activas solamente. Los mensajes deberán estar relacionados con la actividad comercial o las necesidades de la embarcación. Use los canales 8, 67, 72 y 88A solamente para mensajes entre embarcaciones.
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### Channel Assignments (English)

#### Sea Tow Automated Radio Check (ARC)
Channels 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 84
Tune your radio to the proper channel for your area (see seatow.com/arc). Conduct a radio check as you normally would. Upon releasing the mic, the system will replay your transmission letting you hear how you sound.

#### Public Correspondence (Marine Operator)
For calls to marine operators at public coast stations. You can make and receive telephone calls through these stations.

#### Port Operations
Used for directing the movement of ships in or near ports, locks or waterways. Messages must be about operational handling, movement and safety of ships.

#### Navigational
Channels are available to all vessels. Messages must be about navigation, including passing or meeting other vessels. These are also the main working channels for most locks and drawbridges. You must keep your messages short and power output at no more than 1 watt.

#### Maritime Control
For talking to vessels and coast stations operated by state or local governments. Messages must be about regulation and control, boating activities, or assistance.

#### Digital Selective Calling
Channel 70
This channel is set aside for distress, safety and general calling using only digital selective calling techniques. Voice communication is prohibited; your radio cannot transmit voice messages on this channel.

### Appendix

#### VHF Marine Channel Assignments

#### Asignaciones de canales (Español)

#### Control de radio automatizado remolque del mar (CAR)
Canales 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 84
Sintonice su radio en el canal adecuado para su área (ver seatow.com/arc). Llevar a cabo una comprobación de la radio como lo haría normalmente. Al soltar el micrófono el sistema volverá a reproducir la transmisión que le permita escuchar cómo suena.

#### Correspondencia pública (operador marítimo)
Para llamadas a operadores marítimos en estaciones costeras públicas. Usted puede realizar y recibir llamadas telefónicas a través de estas estaciones.

#### Operaciones portuarias
Usados para dirigir el movimiento de las embarcaciones dentro de áreas portuarias, exclusivas o canales. Los mensajes deberán estar relacionados con maniobras operacionales, movimientos y seguridad de las embarcaciones.

#### Navegación
Estos canales están disponibles para todas las embarcaciones. Los mensajes deberán estar relacionados con la navegación, incluyendo las maniobras para pasar o alcanzar otras embarcaciones. Estos también son los principales canales activos para la mayoría de áreas exclusivas y puentes levadizos. Usted deberá transmitir mensajes cortos y mantener la potencia de salida en un vatio como máximo.

#### Control marítimo
Para comunicarse con embarcaciones y estaciones costeras operadas por entidades gubernamentales locales o estatales. Los mensajes deberán estar relacionados con regulación y control, asistencia o actividades de navegación.

#### Llamadas selectivas digitales
Canal 70
Este canal está reservado para solicitudes de auxilio, seguridad y llamadas de carácter general que usen solamente técnicas de llamadas selectivas digitales. Las comunicaciones verbales están prohibidas; el radio no puede transmitir mensajes de voz por este canal.
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### Channel Use (English)

- **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator)**
- **Port Operations and Commercial, VTS in selected areas**
- **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator)**
- **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator)**
- **Coast Guard Only**
- **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator), Port Operations, Ship Movement**
- **West Coast (Coast Guard Only); East Coast (Commercial Fishing)**
- **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator), Port Operations, Ship Movement**
- **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator), Port Operations, VTS in selected areas**
- **Intership Safety**
- **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator), Port Operations, Ship Movement**
- **Commercial**
- **Commercial (Intership Only)**
- **Boater Calling Channel, Non-Commercial (Recreational)**
- **Commercial**
- **Commercial, VTS in selected areas**
- **Port Operations, VTS in selected areas**
- **Intership Navigation Safety (Bridge-to-Bridge). In U.S. waters, large vessels maintain a listening watch on this channel.**

### Channel Use (Spanish)

- **Correspondencia pública (operador marítimo)**
- **Operaciones portuarias y comerciales; VTS en áreas selectas**
- **Correspondencia pública (operador marítimo)**
- **Correspondencia pública (operador marítimo)**
- **guardia costera solamente**
- **Correspondencia pública (operador marítimo) operaciones portuarias,movimiento de embarcaciones**
- **Costa occidental (guardia costera solamente); Costa oriental (pesca comercial)**
- **Correspondencia pública (operador marítimo) operaciones portuarias,movimiento de embarcaciones**
- **Operaciones portuarias; VTS en áreas selectas**
- **Seguridad entre embarcaciones**
- **Correspondencia pública (operador marítimo) operaciones portuarias,movimiento de embarcaciones**
- **Comerciales**
- **Comercial (entre embarcaciones solamente)**
- **Canal de llamada de la tripulación, no comercial (recreativo)**
- **Comerciales**
- **Comercial; VTS en áreas selectas**
- **Operaciones portuarias; VTS en áreas selectas**
- **Seguridad marítima entre embarcaciones (de puente a mando a puente de mando). En aguas estadounidenses, las grandes embarcaciones se mantienen vigilantes con sus radios sintonizados en este canal**
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**Channel Use (English)**

- **Port Operations, VTS in selected areas**: Operaciones portuarias; VTS en áreas selectas
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- **Canada (EPIRB Buoys Only); International (On-Board Communication)**: Canadá (boya de EPIRB solamente); Internacional (comunicación de a bordo)
- **International Distress, Safety and Calling**: Llamadas, seguridad y solicitud de auxilio internacional
- **State Controlled (U.S.A. Only)**: Controlado a nivel estatal (EE.UU. solamente)
- **Port Operations, Ship Movement**: Operaciones portuarias, movimiento de embarcaciones
- **Commercial**: Comerciales
- **Port Operations**: Operaciones portuarias
- **Canada (Coast Guard Only); International (Port Operations, Ship Movement)**: Canadá (guardia costera solamente); Internacional (operaciones portuarias, movimiento de embarcaciones)
- **Port Operations**: Operaciones portuarias
- **Port Operations, Ship Movement**: Operaciones portuarias, movimiento de embarcaciones
- **U.S. (Government Only); Canada (Coast Guard Only)**: EE.UU. (entidades gubernamentales solamente); Canadá (guardia costera solamente)
- **Coast Guard Only – Weather Broadcasts**: Solamente Guardacostas – Transmisiones Meteorológicas
- **Port Operations, Ship Movement**: Operaciones portuarias, movimiento de embarcaciones
- **U.S. and Canadian Coast Guard Liaison and Maritime Safety Information Broadcasts that are announced on Channel 16**: Enlace entre las guardias costeras estadounidenses y canadienses, y difusión de información sobre seguridad marítima anunciada por el canal 16
- **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator)**: Correspondencia pública (operador marítimo)
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### Channel Use (English) / Uso de canales (Español)

- **Coast Guard Only**
  - **Coast Guard Only – Weather Broadcasts**
  - **Sea Tow ARC (Automated Radio Check)**
  - **Safety: Continuous Marine Broadcast (CMB) service by MCTS Canada**
  - **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator)**
  - **Canada (Coast Guard Only); West Coast (Coast Guard Only); East Coast (Commercial Fishing)**
  - **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator), Port Operations, Ship Movement**
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  - **U.S. (Government Only); Canada (Commercial Fishing)**

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### Channel Use (English)

- **Public Correspondence (Marine Operator)**
- **Non-Commercial (Recreational)**
- **Port Operations**
- **Port Operations, Ship Movement**
- **Commercial (Also Non-Commercial only in Great Lakes)**
- **Commercial (en los Grandes Lagos también no comercial)**
- **U.S. (Government Only, Environmental Protection Operations)**
- **U.S. (Government Only, Canada (Coast Guard Only)**
- **U.S. (Commercial), Port Operations and VTS (International & Canada)***
- **Commercial Internship only**

### Uso de canales (Español)

- **Correspondencia pública (operator marítimo)**
- **No comercial (creativo)**
- **Operaciones portuarias**
- **Operaciones portuarias, movimiento de embarcaciones**
- **Comercial (en los Grandes Lagos también no comercial)**
- **EE.UU. (entidades gubernamentales solamente; operaciones de protección medioambiental)**
- **EE.UU. (entidades gubernamentales solamente); Canadá (guardia costera solamente)**
- **Canadá (guardia costera solamente)**
- **Solamente Guardacostas – Transmisiones Meteorológicas**
- **Correspondencia pública (operator marítimo)**
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- **EE.UU. (comercial), Operaciones Puertas y VTS (Internacional y Canadá).**
- **Comercial entre embarcaciones solamente**
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#### Channel Use (English)

- **Port Operations / Vessel Traffic Service**
  - USA Int'l Canada Transmit: 156.050
  - Receive: 156.050
- **Coast Guard Only**
  - Transmit: 156.250
  - Receive: 156.250
- **Coast Guard Only**
  - Transmit: 156.350
  - Receive: 156.350
- **Coast Guard Only**
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- **Coast Guard Only**
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- **Coast Guard Only**
  - Transmit: 157.150
  - Receive: 157.150
- **Coast Guard Only**
  - Transmit: 157.175
  - Receive: 157.175

#### Channel Use (Spanish)

- **Operaciones portuarias / Servicio de Tránsito de Embarcaciones**
  - USA Int'l Canada Transmit: 156.050
  - Receive: 156.050
- **Solamente Guardacostas**
  - Transmit: 156.250
  - Receive: 156.250
- **Solamente Guardacostas**
  - Transmit: 156.350
  - Receive: 156.350
- **Solamente Guardacostas**
  - Transmit: 156.900
  - Receive: 156.900
- **Solamente Guardacostas**
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- **Solamente Guardacostas**
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- **Solamente Guardacostas**
  - Transmit: 157.150
  - Receive: 157.150
- **Solamente Guardacostas**
  - Transmit: 157.175
  - Receive: 157.175

#### Frequency

- **Transmit**: Transmit frequency for the channel.
- **Receive**: Receive frequency for the channel.
VHF Marine Channel Assignments

NOTE
Many of the plain-numbered channels, such as 01, 02 and 03, transmit and receive on different frequencies. This is termed duplex operation. Some other plain-numbered channels (including 4 digit channels) and all of the A channels, such as 01A, 03A and 04A, transmit and receive on a single frequency, which is termed simplex operation. Your radio automatically adjusts to these conditions. This radio includes new four digit channels to be compliant with the latest and future regulations.

NOTE
All channels are preprogrammed at the factory according to international regulations and those of the FCC (U.S.A.) and Industry Canada (Canada). They cannot be altered by the user nor can modes of operation be changed between simplex and duplex.

Weather Channel Assignments

Weather Channels Wx 1 Thru 10
Receive-only channels for NOAA and Canadian weather broadcasts. You cannot transmit on these channels.

NOTE
* These channels are restricted to the listed uses in certain parts of the country or for certain types of users only. Consult FCC rules or a knowledgeable radio operator before using them.

Meteorología

Canales Wx 1 a 10
Canales de recepción únicamente para difusión de información meteorológica NOAA y Canadiense. Usted no puede transmitir por estos canales.

NOTA
* El uso de estos canales está dedicado a las aplicaciones que aparecen en la lista, en ciertas partes del país o para ciertos tipos de usuarios solamente. Consulte las normas de la FCC o a un operador de radio con experiencia antes de usarlos.

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

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

**Lapel Speaker/Microphone**
A speaker/microphone that attaches to your lapel. Part number CM 330-001. This unique accessory allows you to wear the radio on your belt while still being able to communicate with other vessels. A small Push to Talk (PTT) button on the lapel speaker/microphone allows you to answer any incoming call.

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

**Antenna**
Replacement Antenna P/N CM 300-002.

**NOTE**
Alkaline batteries are not rechargeable.

**Accessories**
World City Time Zones

In order to set correct local time as compared to different World City Time Zones, enter the hour “offset” as listed below. The correct local time appears on the VHF for Cities all over the world. See page 20 for setup information.

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