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MDC 1200
Compatible

INSTRUCTION MANUAL

VHF TRANSCEIVERS
IC-F3021T/S
IC-F3023T/S
IC-F3026T/S

UHF TRANSCEIVERS
IC-F4021T/S
IC-F4023T/S
IC-F4026T/S

This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the condition that this device does not cause harmful interference.

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The photo shows the 10-key version VHF transceiver.

IMPORTANT

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS carefully and completely before using the transceiver.

SAVE THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL — This instruction manual contains important operating instructions for the **IC-F3021T/S**, **IC-F3023T/S**, **IC-F3026T/S VHF TRANSCEIVERS** and the **IC-F4021T/S**, **IC-F4023T/S**, **IC-F4026T/S UHF TRANSCEIVERS**.

EXPLICIT DEFENITIONS

WORD	DEFINITION
⚠DANGER	Personal death, serious injury or an explosion may occur.
⚠WARNING	Personal injury, fire hazard or electric shock may occur.
CAUTION	Equipment damage may occur.
NOTE	If disregarded, inconvenience only. No risk of personal injury, fire or electric shock.

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PRECAUTIONS

⚠ **DANGER! NEVER** short the terminals of the battery pack.

⚠ **WARNING! NEVER** hold the transceiver so that the antenna is very close to, or touching exposed parts of the body, especially the face or eyes, while transmitting. The transceiver will perform best if the microphone is 2 to 4 in. (5 to 10 cm) away from the lips and the transceiver is vertical.

⚠ **WARNING! NEVER** operate the transceiver with a headset or other audio accessories at high volume levels.

CAUTION! NEVER use non-Icom battery packs/ chargers to prevent the loss of the transceiver's good performance and warranty.

DO NOT push [PTT] when not actually desiring to transmit.

DO NOT use or place the transceiver in direct sunlight or in areas with temperatures below +22°F (–30°C) or above +140°F (+60°C).

DO NOT modify the transceiver for any reason.

KEEP the transceiver from the heavy rain, and **Never** immerse it in the water. The transceiver construction is **water resistant**, not waterproof.

The basic operations, transmission and reception of the transceiver are guaranteed within the specified operating temperature range. However, the LCD display may not be operate correctly, or show an indication in the case of long hours of operation, or after being placed in extremely cold areas.

Approved Icom optional equipment is designed for optimal performance when used with an Icom transceiver.
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FCC INFORMATION

• FOR CLASS B UNINTENTIONAL RADIATORS:
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.
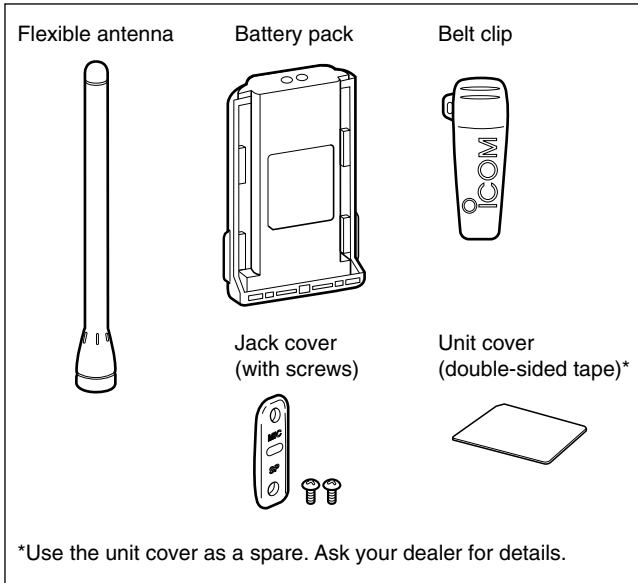- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

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■ Supplied accessories

⫻ **NOTE:** Some accessories are not supplied with depend-
⫻ ing on versions.

Flexible antenna   Battery pack   Belt clip

Jack cover   Unit cover
(with screws)   (double-sided tape)*

*Use the unit cover as a spare. Ask your dealer for details.

■ Accessory attachments

◇ **Flexible antenna**
Connect the supplied flexible antenna
to the antenna connector.

⫻ **CAUTION:**
⫻ • **NEVER HOLD** the antenna when
⫻   carrying the transceiver.
⫻ • Transmitting without an antenna
⫻   may damage the transceiver.

1 ACCESSORIES

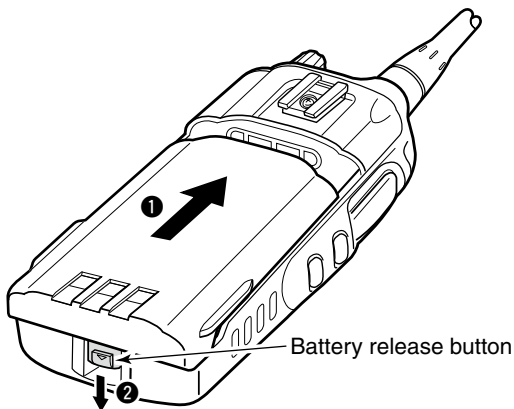## ◇ Battery pack

To attach the battery pack:
Slide the battery pack in the direction of the arrow (❶), then lock it with the battery release button.
• Slide the battery pack until the battery release button makes a 'click' sound.

To release the battery pack:
Slide the battery release button in the direction of the arrow (❷) as shown below. The battery pack is then released.

NEVER release or attach the battery pack when the transceiver is wet or soiled. This may result water or dust getting into the transceiver/battery pack and may result in the transceiver being damaged.

Battery release button

◇ Belt clip

To attach the belt clip:
① Release the battery pack if it is attached.
② Slide the belt clip in the direction of the arrow until the belt clip is locked and makes a 'click' sound.
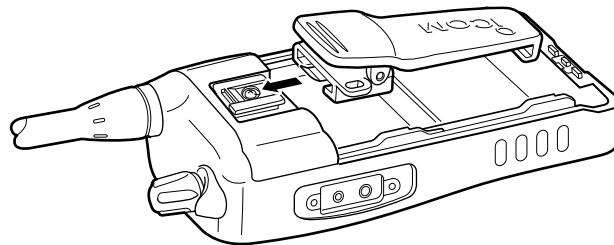
To detach the belt clip:
① Release the battery pack if it is attached.
② Pinch the clip (❶), and slide the belt clip in the direction of the arrow (❷).

◊ **Jack cover**

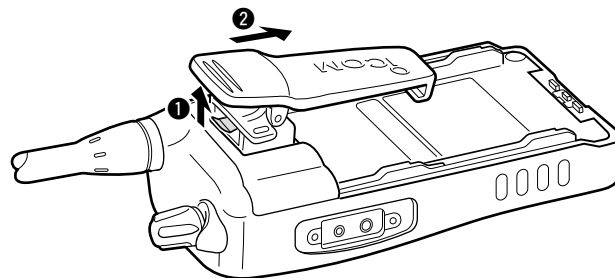Attach the jack cover when the optional speaker-microphone or headset is not used.

To attach the jack cover:

❶ Attach the jack cover to the [MIC/SP] jack.
❷ Tighten the screws.
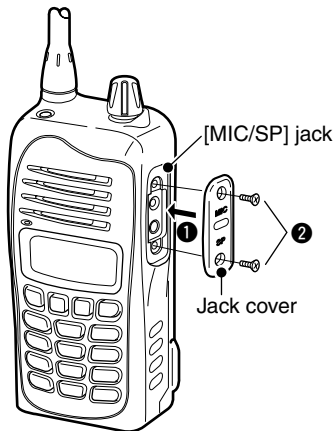
To detach the jack cover:

❶ Unscrew the screws using a phillips screwdriver.
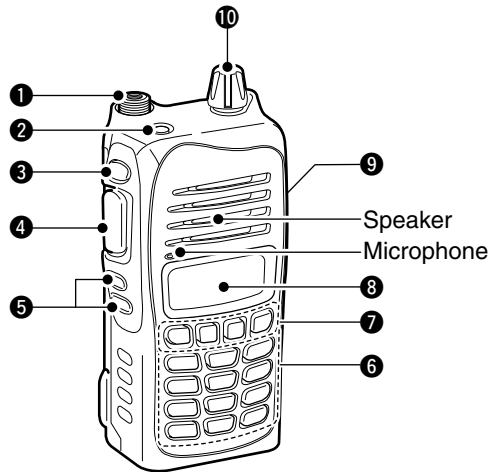❷ Detach the jack cover for the speaker-microphone or headset connection.

[MIC/SP] jack

❶ ❷

Jack cover

❶

❷

❶
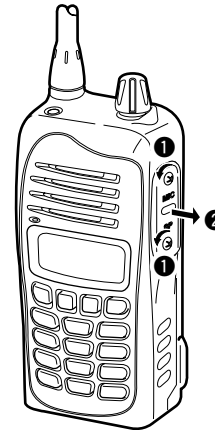
CAUTION:
• Attach the jack cover when the optional speaker-microphone or headset is not used.
• Use the supplied screws only.

2 PANEL DESCRIPTION

■ Front panel

Speaker
Microphone

q ANTENNA CONNECTOR
Connects the supplied antenna.

w DEALER-PROGRAMMABLE KEY [Emer]
Desired function can be programmed by your dealer.
(p. 7)

e DEALER-PROGRAMMABLE KEY [Side1]
Desired function can be programmed by your dealer.
(p. 7)

r PTT SWITCH [PTT]
Push and hold to transmit; release to receive.

t DEALER-PROGRAMMABLE KEYS [Side2]/[Side3]
Desired functions can be programmed independently by
your dealer. (p. 7)

y 10-KEYPAD (Depending on version)
The keypad allows you to enter digits to:
• Select memory channels
• Select tone channels
• Select DTMF codes (during transmit)
• Set TX codes
• Start up with the password

u DEALER-PROGRAMMABLE KEYS [P0] to [P3]
Desired functions can be programmed independently by
your dealer. (p. 7)

i FUNCTION DISPLAY (p. 6)
Displays a variety of information such as an operating
channel number/name, 2-tone code, DTMF numbers, se-
lected function, etc.

❾ EXTERNAL MICROPHONE/SPEAKER JACK
Connect an optional speaker-microphone or headset.
NOTE: Connect or disconnect the optional equipment after the transceiver is turned OFF.
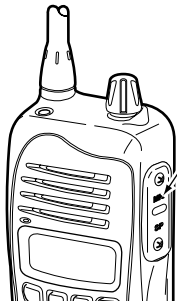
Jack cover
NOTE: Attach the jack cover when the optional equipment is not used. See (p. 3) for details.

❿ VOLUME CONTROL [VOL]
Rotate to turn the power ON/OFF and adjusts the audio level.

■ Function display
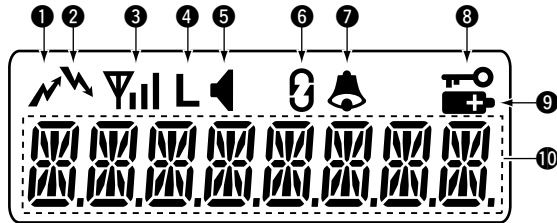
❶ TRANSMIT INDICATOR
Appears while transmitting.

❷ BUSY INDICATOR
Appears while the channel is busy.

❸ SIGNAL STRENGTH INDICATOR
Indicates relative signal strength level.

❹ LOW POWER INDICATOR
Appears when low output power is selected.
• When the battery power decreases to a specified level, low power is selected automatically.

❺ AUDIBLE INDICATOR
➥ Appears when the channel is in the 'audible' (unmute) condition.
➥ Appears when the specified 2-tone code is received.

❻ SCRAMBLER INDICATOR
Appears when the voice scrambler function is activated.

❼ BELL INDICATOR
Appears/blinks when the specific 2-tone code is received, according to the pre-programming.

❽ KEY LOCK INDICATOR
Appears during the key lock function is ON.

❾ BATTERY INDICATOR
Appears or blinks when the battery power decreases to a specified level.

❿ ALPHANUMERIC DISPLAY
Displays an operating channel number, channel name, Set mode contents, DTMF code, etc.

■ Programmable function keys

The following functions can be assigned to **[Emer]**, **[Side1]**, **[Side2]**, **[Side3]**, **[P0]**, **[P1]**, **[P2]** and **[P3]** programmable function keys.
Consult your Icom dealer or system operator for details concerning your transceivers programming.
If the programmable function names are bracketed in the following explanations, the specific key is used to activate the function depends on the programming.

CH UP AND DOWN KEYS
➡ Push to select an operating channel.
➡ Push to select a transmit code channel after pushing [TX Code CH Select].
➡ Push to select a DTMF channel after pushing [DTMF Autodial].
➡ Push to select a scan group after pushing and holding [Scan A Start/Stop]/[Scan B Start/Stop] for 1 sec.

ZONE KEY
Push this key, then push [CH Up] or [CH Down] to select the desired zone.

What is "zone"?— The desired channels are assigned into a zone according to the intended use for grouping. For example, 'Staff A' and 'Staff B' are assigned into a "Business" zone, and 'John' and 'Cindy' are assigned into a "Private" zone.

SCAN A KEY
➡ This key's operation depends on the Power ON Scan setting.
  When the power ON scan function is turned OFF;
  Push to start and cancel scanning operation. In case of transmission during scan, scanning will be cancelled.
  When the power ON scan function is turned ON;
  Push to pause scanning, then resumes scanning after passing a specified time period. In case of transmission during scan, scanning will be cancelled.
➡ Push and hold this key for 1 sec. to indicate the scan group, then push [CH Up] or [CH Down] to select the desired group.

SCAN B KEY
➡ Push to start and cancel scanning operation. In case of transmission during scan, scanning will be paused. Then resumes scanning after passing a specified time period.
➡ Push and hold this key for 1 sec. to indicate the scan group, then push [CH Up] or [CH Down] to select the desired group.

SCAN ADD/DEL (TAG) KEY
Push to add the channel to, or delete it from, the current scanning list.

PRIO A/B KEYS
➥ Push to select Priority A or Priority B channel.
➥ Push and hold [Prio A (Rewrite)] or [Prio B (Rewrite)] for 1 sec. to reassign the operating channel to Priority A or Priority B channel.

MR-CH 1/2/3/4 KEYS
Push to select memory channels 1 to 4 in the operating zone directly.

MONI KEY
Mute and release the CTCSS (DTCS) or 2-tone squelch mute. Open any squelch/deactivate any mute while pushing and holding this key.

LOCK KEY
➥ Push and hold for 1 sec. to electronically lock all programmable keys except the following:
   [Call] (incl. Call A and Call B), [Moni], [Emergency], [Surveillance], [Siren], [Lone Worker] and [OPT 1/2/3].
➥ Push and hold for 1 sec. again to turn the lock function OFF.

HIGH/LOW KEY
Push to select the transmit output power temporarily or permanently, depending on the pre-setting.
• Ask your dealer for the output power level for each selection.

C.TONE CH ENT KEY
Push to select the continuous tone channel using [CH Up]/[CH Down] to change the tone frequency/code setting. The selected channel remains set as the continuous tone channel until another channel is designated as such.

TALK AROUND KEY
Push to turn the talk around function ON and OFF.
• The talk around function equalizes the transmit frequency to the receive frequency for transceiver-to-transceiver communication.

WIDE/NARROW KEY
Push to toggle the IF bandwidth between wide and narrow.

DTMF AUTODIAL KEY
➥ Push to enter the DTMF channel selection mode. Then select the desired DTMF channel using [CH Up]/[CH Down].
➥ After selecting the desired DTMF channel, push this key to transmit the DTMF code.

RE-DIAL KEY
Push to transmit the last-transmitted DTMF code.

CALL KEYS
Push to transmit a 2-tone.
• Call transmission is necessary before you call another station depending on your signaling system.
• [Call A] and/or [Call B] may be available when your system employs selective 'Individual/Group' calls. Ask your dealer which call is assigned to each key.

LONE WORKER KEY
Push to turn the Lone Worker function ON or OFF.
• If the Lone Worker function is activated, the Emergency function is automatically turned ON after the specified time period has passed with no operation is performed.

EMERGENCY KEYS
Push and hold to transmit the emergency call.
- The transceiver can transmit the emergency call silently or audibly depending on the pre-setting. Ask your dealer for details.
- When the emergency call transmits with beeps, the emergency text is displayed on the LCD if programmed.
- If you want to cancel the emergency call, push and hold the key again before transmitting the call.
- The emergency call is transmitted one time only or repeatedly until receiving a control code, depending on the pre-setting.

SURVEILLANCE KEY
Push to turn the surveillance function ON or OFF.
When this function is turned ON, the beep is not emitted and the LCD backlight does not light when a signal is received or a key is pushed, etc.

SIREN KEY
Push to emit a siren.

TX CODE CHANNEL SELECT KEY
Push to enter the ID code channel selection mode directly. Then set the desired channel using [CH Up]/[CH Down]. (p. 13)

TX CODE CHANNEL UP/DOWN KEYS
Push to select a TX code channel directly.

SCRAMBLER FUNCTION
Push to toggle the voice scrambler function ON and OFF.

USER SET MODE KEY
➥ Push and hold for 1 sec. to enter user set mode.
- During in the user set mode, push this key to select an item that is enabled by your dealer, and change the value or condition by pushing [CH Up] or [CH Down].

➥ Push and hold this key for 1 sec. again to exit user set mode.

User set mode is also available via the 'Power ON function.' Refer to (p. 14) also.

OPT OUT KEYS
Push to control the output signal level of the optional ports in the optional unit connector.

OPT MOMENTARY KEYS
Controls the output signal level of the optional ports in the optional unit connector while pushing and holding this key.

3 BASIC OPERATION

■ Turning power ON

Prior to using the transceiver for the first time, the battery pack must be fully charged for optimum life and operation. (p. 17)

① Rotate [VOL] to turn the power ON.
② If the transceiver is programmed for a start up password, input the digit codes as directed by your dealer.
  • 10-keypad can be used for password input depending on version:
  • The keys in the table below can be used for password input:
  • The transceiver detects numbers in the same block as identical. Therefore "01234" and "56789" are the same.

[VOL]

PASSWORD

[Side3]

[P0]/[P1]/
[P2]/[P3]

| KEY	P0	P1	P2	P3	Side3
NUMBER	0 5	1 6	2 7	3 8	4 9
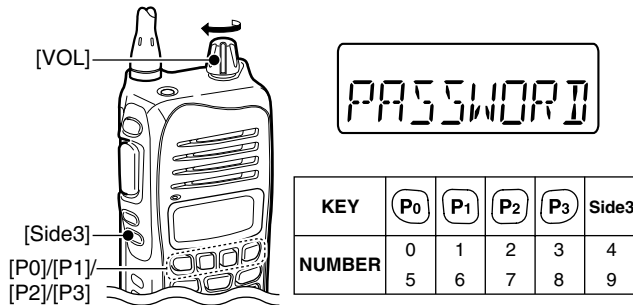
③ When the "PASSWORD" indication does not clear after inputting 4 digits, the input code number may be incorrect. Turn the power off and start over in this case.

◇ Battery type selection

The battery type must be selected according to the attaching battery type when turning the transceiver ON.
Ask your dealer for details.

① Turn the power OFF.
② While pushing and holding [Emer] and [PTT], turn the power ON with rotating [VOL] to toggle the attaching battery type.
  • After the display appears, release [Emer] and [PTT].
  • "DRY BATT" is displayed for about 3 sec. then "**L**" appears when the battery case operation is selected. In this case, the transmit output power is low.
  • "LI-ION" is displayed for about 3 sec. when the Lithium-ion battery operation is selected.

[VOL]

[Emer]

[PTT]

Appears

L

ch-01

Dry battery mode
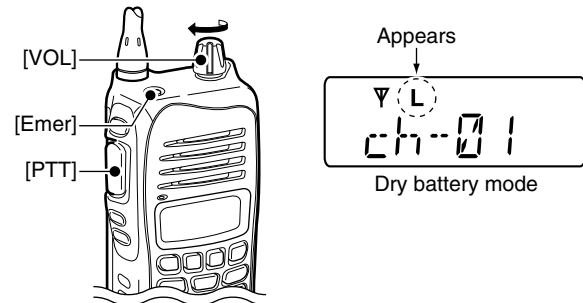
■ Channel selection

Several types of channel selections are available. Methods may differ according to your system set up.

NON-ZONE TYPE:
Push [CH Up] or [CH Down] to select the desired operating channel, in sequence; or, push one of [MR-CH 1] to [MR-CH 4] keys to select a channel directly.

ZONE TYPE:
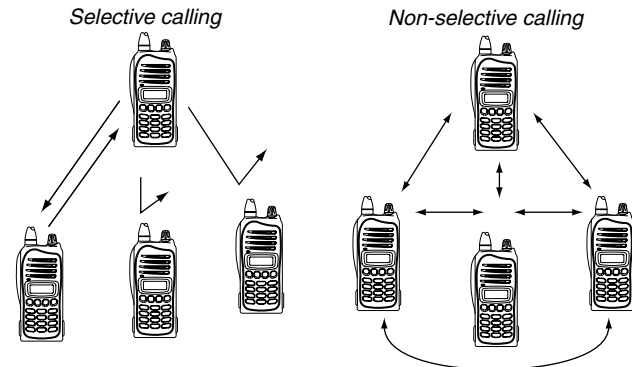Push [Zone], then push [CH Up] or [CH Down] to select the desired zone.

AUTOMATIC SCAN TYPE:
Channel setting is not necessary for this type. When turning power ON, the transceiver automatically starts scanning. Scanning stops when receiving a call.

■ Call procedure

When your system employs tone signaling (excluding CTCSS and DTCS), the call procedure may be necessary prior to voice transmission. The tone signaling employed may be a selective calling system which allows you to call specific station(s) only and prevent unwanted stations from contacting you.

① Select the desired TX code channel or 2-tone code according to your System Operator's instructions.
  • This may not be necessary depending on programming.
  • Refer to page 13 for selection.
② Push [Call] (assigned to one of the dealer programmable keys).
③ After transmitting a 2-tone code, the remainder of your communication can be carried out in the normal fashion.

Selective calling   *Non-selective calling*

■ Receiving and transmitting

CAUTION: Transmitting without an antenna may damage the transceiver. See page 1 for accessory attachments.

Receiving:
① Rotate [VOL] to turn the power ON.
② Push [CH Up] or [CH Down] to select the conventional system channel, in sequence.
③ When receiving a call, adjust the audio output level to a comfortable listening level.

NOTE: When a matched RX code signal is received, audio from the microphone is automatically transmitted for a specified time period.*
* Depending on the presetting. Ask your dealer for details.

Transmitting:
Wait for the channel to become clear to avoid interference.
① Push [Call] when initiating a call from your side.
   • Coded audio may be heard from the transceiver, then "◀" appears.
   • This operation may not be necessary depending on your signaling system. Ask your dealer for details.
② While pushing and holding [PTT], speak into the microphone at a normal voice level.
③ Release [PTT] to return to receive.

IMPORTANT: To maximize the readability of your signal;
1. Pause briefly after pushing [PTT].
2. Hold the microphone 5 to 10 cm (2 to 4 inches) from your mouth, then speak into the microphone at a normal voice level.

◇ Transmitting notes
• Transmit inhibit function
The transceiver has several inhibit functions which restrict transmission under the following conditions:
   - The channel is in mute condition ('Inaudible' condition; "◀" does not appear.)
   - The channel is busy.
   - Un-matched (or matched) CTCSS is received.
     (Depending on the pre-setting.)
   - The selected channel is a 'receive only' channel.

• Time-out timer
After continuous transmission for the pre-programmed time period, the time-out timer is activated, causing the transceiver to stop transmitting.

• Penalty timer
Once the time-out timer is activated, transmission is further inhibited for a period determined by the penalty timer.

• PTTID call
The transceiver sends the ID code (DTMF or digital ANI) automatically when [PTT] is pushed (beginning of transmission) and released (end of transmission) depends on the setting.

◇ TX code channel selection

If the transceiver has [TX Code CH Select] assigned to it, the indication can be toggled between the operating channel number (or name) and TX code channel number (or name). When the TX code channel number (or name) is displayed, [CH Up] or [CH Down] selects the TX code channel.

USING [TX CODE CH SELECT] KEY:

① Push [TX Code CH Select]— a TX code channel number (or name) appears.
② Push [CH Up] or [CH Down] to select the desired TX code channel.
  • Push [TX Code CH Select] again to return to the operating channel number indication.
③ Push [Call] to transmit the selected TX code.

USING [TX CODE CH UP]/[TX CODE CH DOWN] KEY:

If the transceiver has [TX Code CH Up] or [TX Code CH Down] assignment, the programmed TX code channel can be selected directly when pushed.

◇ DTMF transmission

If the transceiver has [DTMF Autodial] assigned to it, the automatic DTMF transmission function is available. Up to 8 DTMF channels are available.

TO SELECT A TX CODE:
① Push [DTMF Autodial]— a DTMF channel appears.
② Push [CH Up] or [CH Down] to select the desired DTMF channel.
③ Push [DTMF Autodial] to transmit the DTMF code in the selected DTMF channel.

■ User set mode

User set mode is accessed at power ON and allows you to set seldom-changed settings. In this case you can "customize" the transceiver operation to suit your preferences and operating style.

Entering the user set mode:
① While pushing and holding [Side2] and [Side3], rotate [VOL] to turn the power ON. Then, push and hold [P0] for 1 sec. to enter user set mode.
② Push [P0] several times to select the appropriate item. Then push [CH Up] or [CH Down] to set the desired level/ condition.
   • Available set mode functions are **Backlight**, **Beep**, **Beep Level**, **SQL Level**, **Mic Gain**, **Battery Voltage**, **Signal Moni** and **Lone Worker**.
③ Rotate [VOL] to turn the power OFF to exit user set mode.

NOTE: User set mode is also available via a programmable function key. Refer to "USER SET MODE KEY." (p. 9)

■ Priority A channel selection

Depending on the presetting, the Priority A channel is selected each time the transceiver power is turned ON.

■ Emergency Call

When [Emergency] is pushed for the specified time period*, the emergency signal is transmitted once, or repeatedly, on the specified emergency channel.

A repeat emergency signal is automatically transmitted until the transceiver receives an acknowledgement signal, or you turn the transceiver power OFF.
When no emergency channel is specified, the signal is transmitted on the previously selected channel.

If you want to cancel the emergency call, push and hold [Emergency] again before transmitting the call.

If your transceiver is programmed for Silent operation, you can transmit an Emergency call without the beep sounding and the LED indicator lighting.

IMPORTANT: It is recommended to set an emergency channel individually to provide the certain emergency call operation.

* Depending on the presetting. Ask your dealer for details.

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◇ NOTES
Depending on the presetting, the following functions are automatically activated. Ask your dealer for details.

• Auto TX function
After the emergency call transmission, audio from the microphone is automatically transmitted for a specified time period.*

• Auto RX function
After the emergency call transmission, the transceiver stands by in the audible mode for the specified time period.*

■ Man Down Emergency Call

This function requires the optional UT-124R MAN DOWN UNIT. When the transceiver has been left in a horizontal position for the specified time period*, the transceiver enters the emergency mode, and then the countdown starts.
After the specified time period* has passed, an emergency call is automatically transmitted once, or repeatedly.

If the transceiver is placed in a vertical position before the first transmission, the transceiver exits the emergency mode and the emergency call is cancelled.

IMPORTANT: It is recommended to set an emergency channel individually to provide the certain emergency call operation.

* Depending on the presetting. Ask your dealer for details.

■ Stun function

When the specified ID, set as a stun ID or kill ID, is received, the stun function is activated.
When the stun ID is received, the transceiver becomes unusable. Entering of the password (p. 10) or receiving a specified ID, set as a revive ID, is necessary to operate the transceiver again in this case.
When the kill ID is received, the transceiver switches to the cloning required condition. Cloning the transceiver is necessary to operate the transceiver again in this case.

Stun function is also available with the MDC 1200 signaling system. (p. 16)

■ Scrambler function

The voice scrambler function provides private communication between stations. The optional Rolling or Non-rolling type can be available.

① Push [Scrambler] to turn the scrambler function ON.
  • "🔒" appears.
② Push [Scrambler] again to turn the scrambler function OFF.
  • "🔒" disappears.

■ MDC 1200 system operation

The MDC 1200 signaling system enhances your transceiver's capabilities. It allows PTT ID*, Emergency signaling, and receiving Radio Check. Also, the dispatcher can stun and revive transceivers on the system.

* When [PTT] is pushed and/or released, the transceiver transmits your station ID.

◇ Transmitting an Emergency Call

The MDC 1200 system's Emergency feature can be accessed using the [Emergency] key (p. 9). The transceiver will send an Emergency MDC 1200 system command once, or repeatedly for a programmed number of times until it receives the acknowledgement signal.

The emergency call can be transmitted without a beep sound depending on how the emergency function is programmed. Ask your dealer for details.

◇ Receiving an Emergency Call

① When an emergency call is received;
  • Beeps sound.
  • The calling station alias and "EMG EMG" are displayed alternately.
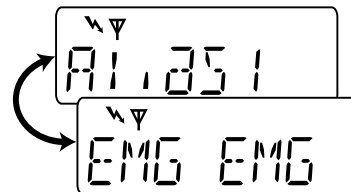
② Turn power OFF, change the channel, push [PTT] for replying the call, etc. to stop the beep and display indication.

◇ Receiving a Stun and Revive

The dispatcher can send MDC 1200 system signals that will stun or revive your transceiver. If a Stun command is received that matches your station ID, the transceiver will display "SORRY" (default) and you can not receive or transmit. When a Revive command is received that matches your station ID, normal operation is restored.

■ Caution

Misuse of Lithium-ion batteries may result in the following hazards: smoke, fire, or the battery may rupture. Misuse can also cause damage to the battery or degradation of battery performance.

⚠ **DANGER!** Use and charge only specified Icom battery packs with Icom radios or Icom charger. Only Icom battery packs are tested and approved for use and charge with Icom radios or Icom charger. Using third-party or counterfeit battery packs or charger may cause smoke, fire, or cause the battery to burst.

◇ **Battery caution**
⚠ **DANGER! DO NOT** hammer or otherwise impact the battery. Do not use the battery if it has been severely impacted or dropped, or if the battery has been subjected to heavy pressure. Battery damage may not be visible on the outside of the case. Even if the surface of the battery does not show cracks or any other damage, the cells inside the battery may rupture or catch fire.

⚠ **DANGER! NEVER** use or leave battery packs in areas with temperatures above +60˚C (+140˚F). High temperature buildup in the battery, such as could occur near fires or stoves, inside a sun heated car, or in direct sunlight may cause the battery to rupture or catch fire. Excessive temperatures may also degrade battery performance or shorten battery life.

⚠ **DANGER! DO NOT** expose the battery to rain, snow, seawater, or any other liquids. Never charge or use a wet battery. If the battery gets wet, be sure to wipe it dry before using. The battery is not waterproof.

⚠ **DANGER! NEVER** incinerate used battery packs since internal battery gas may cause them to rupture, or may cause an explosion.

⚠ **DANGER! NEVER** solder the battery terminals or NEVER modify the battery pack. This may cause heat generation, and the battery may rupture, emit smoke or catch fire.

⚠ **DANGER!** Use the battery only with the transceiver for which it is specified. Never use a battery with any other equipment, or for any purpose that is not specified in this instruction manual.

⚠ **DANGER!** If fluid from inside the battery gets in your eyes, blindness can result. Rinse your eyes with clean water, without rubbing them, and see a doctor immediately.

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△ **WARNING!** Immediately stop using the battery if it emits an abnormal odor, heats up, or is discolored or deformed. If any of these conditions occur, contact your Icom dealer or distributor.

△ **WARNING!** Immediately wash, using clean water, any part of the body that comes into contact with fluid from inside the battery.

△ **WARNING! NEVER** put the battery in a microwave oven, high-pressure container, or in an induction heating cooker. This could cause a fire, overheating, or cause the battery to rupture.

CAUTION! Always use the battery within the specified temperature range, −20˚C to +60˚C (−4˚F to +140˚F). Using the battery out of its specified temperature range will reduce the battery's performance and battery life.

CAUTION! Shorter battery life could occur if the battery is left fully charged, completely discharged, or in an excessive temperature environment (above +50˚C; +122˚F) for an extended period of time. If the battery must be left unused for a long time, it must be detached from the radio after discharging. You may use the battery until the remaining capacity is about half, then keep it safely in a cool dry place with the temperature range as below:
  −20˚C to +50˚C (−4˚F to +122˚F) (within a month)
  −20˚C to +35˚C (−4˚F to +95˚F)   (within three months)
  −20˚C to +20˚C (−4˚F to +68˚F)   (within a year)

◇ **Charging caution**

△ **DANGER! NEVER** charge the battery pack in areas with extremely high temperatures, such as near fires or stoves, inside a sun heated car, or in direct sunlight. In such environments, the safety/protection circuit in the battery will activate, causing the battery to stop charging.

△ **WARNING! NEVER** charge or leave the battery in the battery charger beyond the specified time for charging. If the battery is not completely charged by the specified time, stop charging and remove the battery from the battery charger. Continuing to charge the battery beyond the specified time limit may cause a fire, overheating, or the battery may rupture.

△ **WARNING! NEVER** insert the transceiver (battery attached to the transceiver) into the charger if it is wet or soiled. This could corrode the battery charger terminals or damage the charger. The charger is not waterproof.
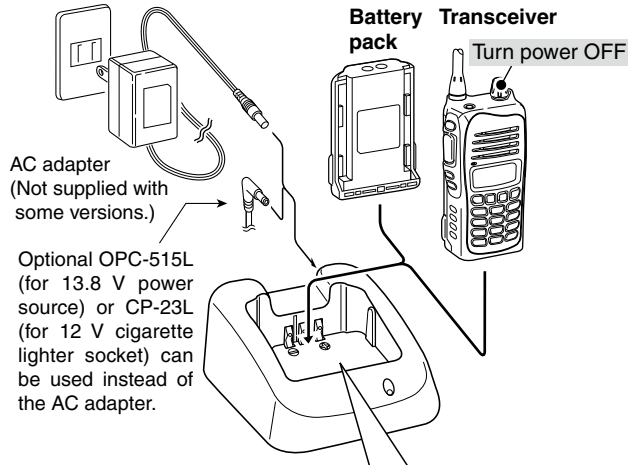
CAUTION! NEVER charge the battery outside of the specified temperature range: BC-160 (0˚C to +40˚C; +32˚F to +104˚F). Icom recommends charging the battery at +20˚C (+68˚F). The battery may heat up or rupture if charged out of the specified temperature range. Additionally, battery performance or battery life may be reduced.

■ Optional battery chargers
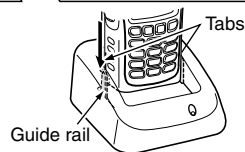
◇ Rapid charging with the BC-160
The optional BC-160 provides rapid charging of the Li-Ion battery pack.
• An AC adapter (may be supplied with BC-160 depending on version) or the DC power cable (OPC-515L/CP-23L) is additionally required.

AC adapter
(Not supplied with some versions.)

Optional OPC-515L (for 13.8 V power source) or CP-23L (for 12 V cigarette lighter socket) can be used instead of the AC adapter.

Battery pack

Transceiver

Turn power OFF

IMPORTANT!
Ensure the tabs on the battery pack are correctly aligned with the guide rails inside the charger.

Tabs

Guide rail

◇ Regular charging with the BC-171
The optional BC-171 provides regular charging of the Li-Ion battery pack.
• An AC adapter (may be supplied with BC-171 depending on version) or the DC power cable (OPC-515L/CP-23L) is additionally required.
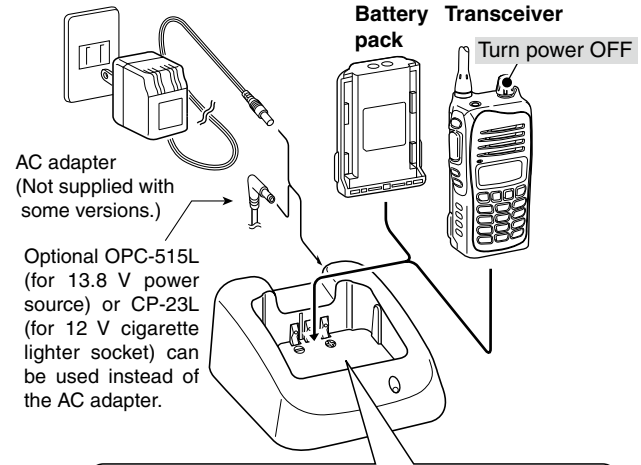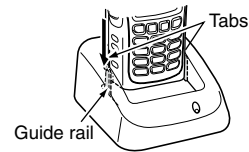

AC adapter
(Not supplied with some versions.)

Optional OPC-515L (for 13.8 V power source) or CP-23L (for 12 V cigarette lighter socket) can be used instead of the AC adapter.

Battery pack

Transceiver

Turn power OFF

IMPORTANT!
Ensure the tabs on the battery pack are correctly aligned with the guide rails inside the charger.

Tabs

Guide rail

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◇ AD-106 installation

The AD-106 CHARGER ADAPTER must be installed into the BC-119N or BC-121N before battery charging.

➡ Connect the AD-106 CHARGER ADAPTER and the BC-119N/BC-121N as below, then install the AD-106 into the holder space of the BC-119N or BC-121N with the supplied screws.
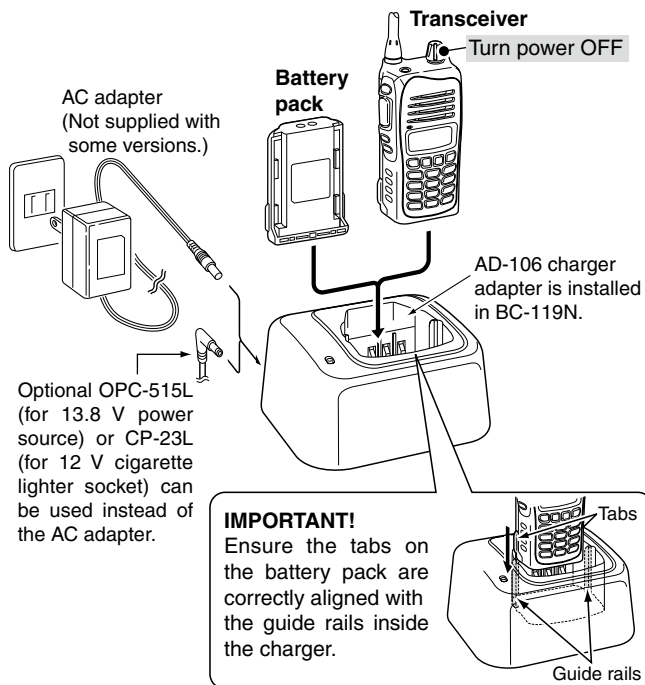
AD-106

Connectors

Screws supplied with the charger adapter

Plugs
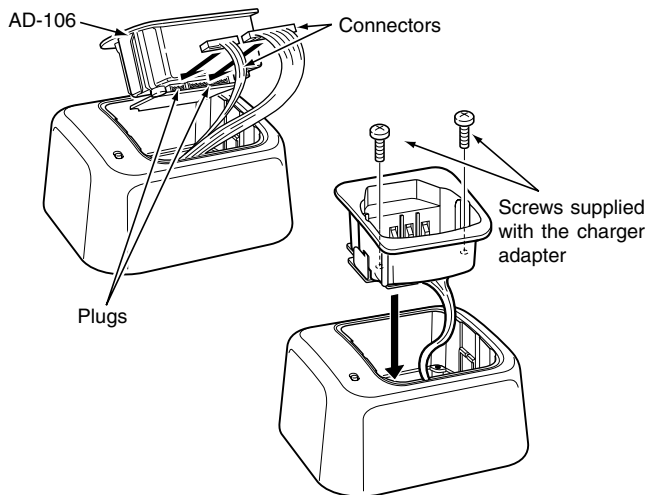
* This illustration is described with the BC-119N.

◇ Rapid charging with the BC-119N+AD-106

The optional BC-119N provides rapid charging of the Li-Ion battery pack. The following items are additionally required.
• AD-106 charger adapter
• An AC adapter (may be supplied with BC-119N depending on version) or the DC power cable (OPC-515L/CP-23L).

Transceiver
Turn power OFF

Battery pack

AC adapter
(Not supplied with some versions.)

AD-106 charger adapter is installed in BC-119N.

Optional OPC-515L (for 13.8 V power source) or CP-23L (for 12 V cigarette lighter socket) can be used instead of the AC adapter.

IMPORTANT!
Ensure the tabs on the battery pack are correctly aligned with the guide rails inside the charger.
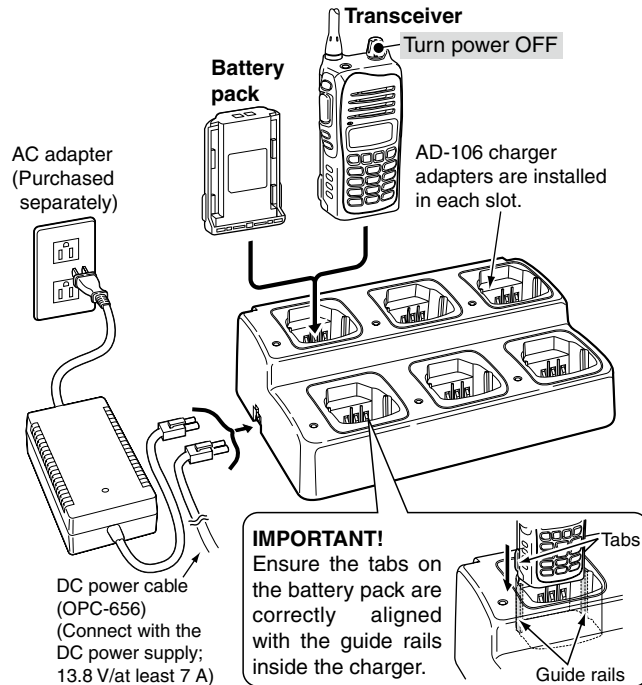
Tabs

Guide rails

◇ Rapid charging with the BC-121N+AD-106

The optional BC-121N allows up to 6 Li-Ion battery packs to be charged simultaneously. The following items are additionally required.

• Six AD-106 charger adapters
• An optional AC adapter or the DC power cable (OPC-656)

Transceiver
Turn power OFF

Battery pack

AC adapter (Purchased separately)

AD-106 charger adapters are installed in each slot.

DC power cable (OPC-656) (Connect with the DC power supply; 13.8 V/at least 7 A)

IMPORTANT!
Ensure the tabs on the battery pack are correctly aligned with the guide rails inside the charger.

Tabs

Guide rails

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5 BATTERY CASE

■ Optional battery case (BP-240)

When using the optional battery case, install 6 × AAA (LR03) size alkaline batteries as illustrated at right.

① Unhook the battery cover release hook (❶), and open the cover in the direction of the arrow (❷). (Fig.1)

② Then, install 6 × AAA (LR03) size alkaline batteries. (Fig.2)
- Install the alkaline batteries only.
- Be sure to observe the correct polarity.
- Do not pin the ribbon under the batteries.

③ Fit the cover in the direction of the arrow (❸), then close (❹). And hook the battery cover release hook until it makes a 'click' sound (❺). (Fig.3)

CAUTION:
- When installing batteries, make sure they are all the same brand, type and capacity. Also, do not mix new and old batteries together.
- Keep battery terminals clean. It's a good idea to clean battery terminals once a week.
- Never incinerate used battery cells since internal battery gas may cause them to rupture.
- Never expose a detached battery case to water. If the battery case gets wet, be sure to wipe it dry before using it.

NOTE: When the optional battery case is attached, the battery type must be selected to "DRY BATT" when turning the transceiver ON. (p. 10)
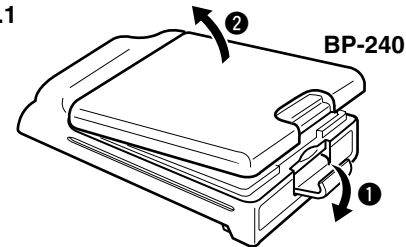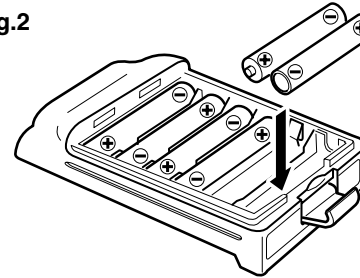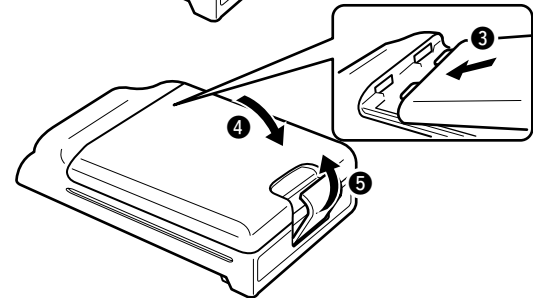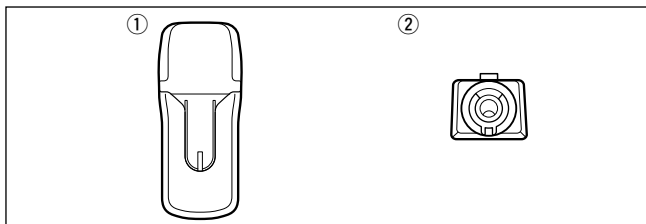
Fig.1

BP-240

Fig.2

Fig.3

■ MB-93 contents

Qty.
① Belt clip 1
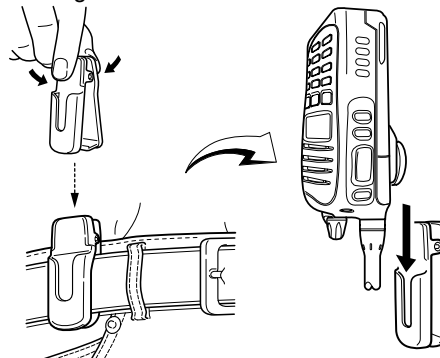② Base clip 1

■ Attaching

① Release the battery pack if it is attached. (p. 2)
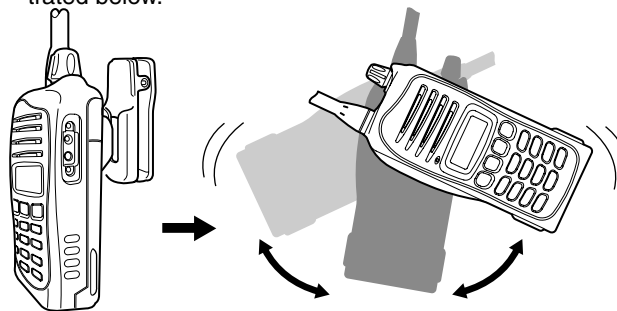② Slide the base clip in the direction of the arrow until the base clip is locked and makes a 'click' sound.
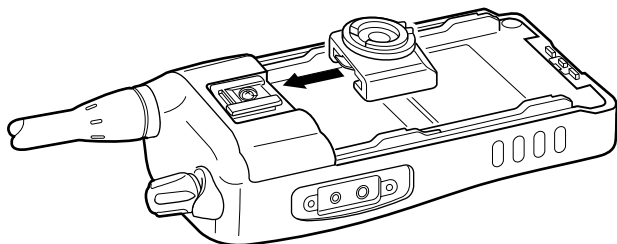
③ Attach the battery pack.

④ Clip the belt clip to a part of your belt. And insert the transceiver into the belt clip until the base clip inserted fully into the groove.

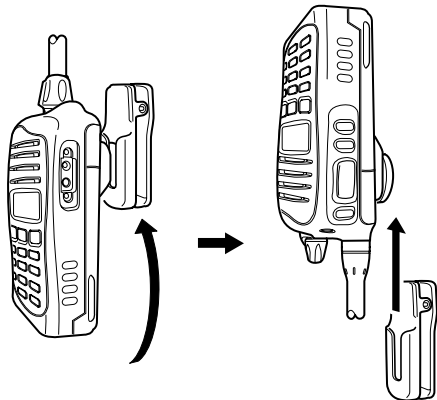⑤ Once the transceiver is locked in place, it swivels as illustrated below.

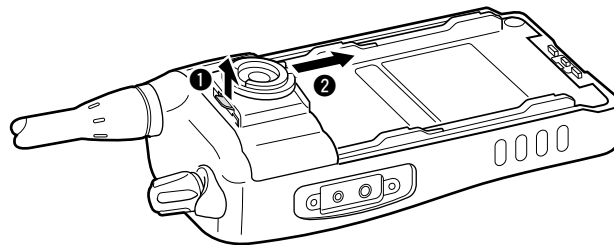Once the transceiver is locked in place, it will swivel 360 degrees.

■ **Detaching**

① Turn the transceiver upside down in the direction of the arrow and pull out from the belt clip.

② Release the battery pack if it is attached. (p. 2)
③ Pinch the clip (❶), and slide the base clip in the direction of the arrow (❷).

CAUTION:
HOLD THE TRANSCEIVER TIGHTLY, WHEN HANGING OR DETACHING THE TRANSCEIVER FROM THE BELT CLIP.
Otherwise the transceiver may not be attached to the holder or swivel properly if the transceiver is accidentally dropped and the base clip is scratched or damaged.

◊ BATTERY PACK

Battery pack	Voltage	Capacity	Battery life*[1]
BP-230N	7.4 V	950 mAh (min.) 980 mAh (typ.)	7.35 hrs.
BP-232N	7.4 V	1900 mAh (min.) 2000 mAh (typ.)	15.5 hrs.
BP-240		Battery case for AAA (LR03) × 6 alkaline	—*[2]

*[1] When the power save function is turned ON, and the operating periods are calculated under the following conditions;
TX : RX : standby = 5 : 5 : 90
*[2] Operating period depends on the alkaline cells used.

◊ CHARGERS

• **BC-119N** DESKTOP CHARGER **+ AD-106** CHARGER ADAPTER **+ BC-145S** AC ADAPTER
For rapid charging of battery packs. An AC adapter is supplied with the charger depending on versions.
Charging time: approx. 3 hours when BP-232N is attached.

• **BC-121N** MULTI-CHARGER **+ AD-106** CHARGER ADAPTER (6 pcs.) **+ BC-157S** AC ADAPTER
For rapid charging of up to 6 battery packs (six AD-106's are required) simultaneously. An AC adapter should be purchased separately.
Charging time: approx. 3 hours when BP-232N is attached.

• **BC-160** DESKTOP CHARGER **+ BC-145S** AC ADAPTER
For rapid charging of battery packs. An AC adapter is supplied with the charger depending on versions.
Charging time: approx. 3 hours when BP-232N is attached.

• **BC-171** DESKTOP CHARGER **+ BC-147S** AC ADAPTER
For regular charging of battery packs. We recommend that the BP-230N charging.
An AC adapter is supplied with the charger depending on versions.
Charging time: approx. 10 hours when BP-232N is attached.
approx. 4 hours when BP-230N is attached.

◊ DC CABLES

• **CP-23L** CIGARETTE LIGHTER CABLE
Allows charging of the battery pack through a 12 V cigarette lighter socket. (For BC-160/BC-171/BC-119N)

• **OPC-515L/OPC-656** DC POWER CABLES
Allows charging of the battery pack using a 13.8 V power source instead of the AC adapter.
OPC-515L: For BC-160/BC-171/BC-119N
OPC-656 : For BC-121N

◊ BELT CLIPS

• **MB-93** SWIVEL BELT CLIP

• **MB-94** BELT CLIP
Exclusive alligator-type belt clip. The same as supplied with the transceiver.

• **MB-96N/96F** LEATHER BELT HANGER

7 OPTIONS

◇ OPTIONAL UNITS

• **UT-108R** DTMF DECODER UNIT
  Provides pager and code squelch capabilities.
• **UT-109R /UT-110R*** VOICE SCRAMBLER UNITS
  Non-rolling type (UT-109R)/Rolling type (UT-110R)* voice
  scrambler unit provides higher communication security.
  *You can use the UT-110R as Non-rolling type.
• **UT-124R** MAN DOWN UNIT
  Provides measure of safety when working in a hazardous
  environment, etc.

◇ OTHER OPTIONS

• **SP-13** EARPHONE
  Provides clear receive audio in noisy environment.
• **HM-153L/HM-158L/HM-159L/HM-166L** SPEAKER-MICROPHONE
  Combination speaker-microphone that provides convenient
  operation while hanging the transceiver from your belt.
• **VS-1L** VOX/PTT CASE + **HS-94/HS-95/HS-97** HEADSET
  VS-1L: VOX/PTT switch box for hands-free operation, etc.
  HS-94: Ear-hook type
  HS-95: Neck-arm type
  HS-97: Throat microphone
• **FA-SC25V/FA-SC55V/**
  FA-SC25U/FA-SC57U/FA-SC72U ANTENNAS
  FA-SC25V: 136–150 MHz   FA-SC55V: 150–174 MHz
  FA-SC25U: 400–430 MHz   FA-SC57U: 430–470 MHz
  FA-SC72U: 470–520 MHz

• **FA-SC56VS/FA-SC57VS/FA-SC73US** STUBBY ANTENNAS
  FA-SC56VS: 150–162 MHz   FA-SC57VS: 160–174 MHz
  FA-SC73US: 450–490 MHz
• **FA-SC61VC/FA-SC61UC** CUT ANTENNAS
  FA-SC61VC: 136–174 MHz   FA-SC61UC: 380–520 MHz

Some options may not be available in some countries. Ask your
dealer for details.

WARNING

Your Icom radio generates RF electromagnetic energy during transmit mode. This radio is designed for and classified as "Occupational Use Only", meaning it must be used only during the course of employment by individuals aware of the hazards, and the ways to minimize such hazards. This radio is NOT intended for use by the "General Population" in an uncontrolled environment.

This radio has been tested and complies with the FCC RF exposure limits for "Occupational Use Only". In addition, your Icom radio complies with the following Standards and Guidelines with regard to RF energy and electromagnetic energy levels and evaluation of such levels for exposure to humans:
- FCC OET Bulletin 65 Edition 97-01 Supplement C, Evaluating Compliance with FCC Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields.
- American National Standards Institute (C95.1-1992), IEEE Standard for Safety Levels with Respect to Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields, 3 kHz to 300 GHz.
- American National Standards Institute (C95.3-1992), IEEE Recommended Practice for the Measurement of Potentially Hazardous Electromagnetic Fields– RF and Microwave.
- The following accessories are authorized for use with this product. Use of accessories other than those specified may result in RF exposure levels exceeding the FCC requirements for wireless RF exposure.; Belt Clip (MB-94), Rechargeable Li-Ion Battery Pack (BP-230N/BP-232N) and Speaker-microphone (HM-159L/HM-158L).

CAUTION

To ensure that your expose to RF electromagnetic energy is within the FCC allowable limits for occupational use, always adhere to the following guidelines:

- **DO NOT** operate the radio without a proper antenna attached, as this may damaged the radio and may also cause you to exceed FCC RF exposure limits. A proper antenna is the antenna supplied with this radio by the manufacturer or antenna specifically authorized by the manufacturer for use with this radio.
- **DO NOT** transmit for more than 50% of total radio use time ("50% duty cycle"). Transmitting more than 50% of the time can cause FCC RF exposure compliance requirements to be exceeded. The radio is transmitting when the TX indicator lights red. You can cause the radio to transmit by pressing the "PTT" switch.
- **ALWAYS keep** the antenna at least 2.5 cm (1 inch) away from the body when transmitting and only use the Icom belt-clips listed on page 25 when attaching the radio to your belt, etc., to ensure FCC RF exposure compliance requirements are not exceeded. To provide the recipients of your transmission the best sound quality, hold the antenna at least 5 cm (2 inches) from your mouth, and slightly off to one side.

The information listed above provides the user with the information needed to make him or her aware of RF exposure, and what to do to assure that this radio operates with the FCC RF exposure limits of this radio.

Electromagnetic Interference/Compatibility
During transmissions, your Icom radio generates RF energy that can possibly cause interference with other devices or systems. To avoid such interference, turn off the radio in areas where signs are posted to do so. **DO NOT** operate the transmitter in areas that are sensitive to electromagnetic radiation such as hospitals, aircraft, and blasting sites.

Occupational/Controlled Use
The radio transmitter is used in situations in which persons are exposed as consequence of their employment provided those persons are fully aware of the potential for exposure and can exercise control over their exposure.

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