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Congratulations on the purchase of your Yaesu amateur transceiver! Whether this is your first rig, or if Yaesu equipment is already the backbone of your station, rest assured that your transceiver will provide many hours of operating pleasure for years to come.

**GENERAL FEATURE**

Super Compact HF Transceiver with IF-DSP

ATU (automatic antenna tuner) can be installed in the radio (optional)

A perfect performance on HF radio with easy operation is realized only by the **FT-450**, very small HF transceiver.

- HF + 50 MHz with 100 Watts output all mode operation
- Small, compact and light-weight HF radio, 9 (W) x 3.3 (H) x 8.5 (D) in, 7.9 lb
- 9-segment LCD frequency display with large characters provides more natural indication
- Black-Nega type LCD
- Built-in IF DSP unit which realize the following functions
  - Modulation and Demodulation
  - CONTOUR
  - MANUAL NOTCH
  - DNR
  - WIDTH (CW narrow 500 Hz operation available without any optional filters)
  - Microphone equalizer built in
  - Speech Processor
  - DSP VOX operation
  - Two Voice memory channels included
  - Frequency read out function
- TCXO built-in
- 500 memory channels
- IF SHIFT
- IPO
- 20 dB ATT built-in
- Clarifier
- Electronic keyer built-in
- Microphone and phone jacks on the front panel
- FSK-RTTY TX operation
- Long wire antenna can be used by the optional FC-40
FRONT PANEL SWITCHES AND KNOBS

**ATT/IPO Switch**
This button selects the ATT or IPO feature. Available selections are:
- ATT:OFF/IPO:OFF
- ATT:ON/IPO:OFF
- ATT:OFF/IPO:ON
- ATT:ON/IPO:ON
- ATT:OFF/IPO:OFF

**ATT**: OFF, **IPO**: OFF
- Attenuator is OFF, and the RF preamplifier amplifies the incoming signal.

**ATT**: OFF, **IPO**: ON
- Attenuator is OFF, and the received signal bypasses the RF preamplifier, yielding a direct feed to the first mixer.

**ATT**: ON, **IPO**: ON
- The received signal bypasses the RF preamplifier, yielding a direct feed to the first mixer.

**ATT**: ON, **IPO**: OFF
- Attenuator is OFF, and the RF preamplifier amplifies the incoming signal.

**NB Switch**
This button turns the IF Noise Blanker on and off. Press this button to reduce short-duration pulse noise.

**AGC Switch**
This button selects the AGC characteristics for the receiver. Press and hold in this button for one second to disable the AGC (for testing or weak-signal reception).

**DSP Switch**
This button selects the DSP functions. Available selections are CONTOUR, NOTCH, DNR, and WIDTH.

**ON/OFF Switch**
Press and hold in this switch for one second to turn the transceiver on or off.

**PHONE Jack**
A 1/4-inch, 3-contact jack accepts either monaural or stereo headphones with 2 or 3-contact plugs. When a plug is inserted, the loudspeaker is disabled.

**Note:** When wearing headphones, we recommend that you turn the AF GAIN levels down to their lowest settings before turning power on, to minimize the impact on your hearing caused by audio “pops” during switch-on.

**KEY Jack**
This 1/4-inch, 3-contact jack accepts a CW key or keyer paddles (for the built-in electronic keyer), or output from an external electronic keyer. Pinout is shown below. Key up is 5 volts, and key down current is 0.5 mA.
**Front Panel Switches and Knobs**

### FRONT PANEL SWITCES AND KNOBS

**VOICE/C.S Switch**
Press this button to activate one of the 52 functions, which can be assigned via Menu Item "PNL-C.S."
Press the [F] button followed by this button to announce the current operating frequency (with resolution to the displayed 100 Hz digit) and operating mode.

**HOME/RCL Switch**
Press this button to recall the Quick Memory Bank memory for operation. Press this button again to return to the VFO or Memory mode.
Press the [F] button followed by this button to recall the “Home” (favorite frequency) channel. The home channel default settings are 29.30000 MHz for the HF Band and 51.00000 MHz for the 6 m band.

**STEP/SPLIT Switch**
Press this button to activate split frequency operation between VFO-A, used for reception and VFO-B, used for transmission (or vice versa).
Press the [F] button followed by this button to enable setting of the frequency step with the [DSP/SEL] knob. When the selection is complete, press this key again.

**MW/V/M Switch**
This button toggles frequency control between the VFO and the memory system.
Press the [F] button followed by this button to copy the current operating data from the VFO into the currently selected memory channel.

**VOX/STO Switch**
Press this button to copy the operating information (frequency, mode, bandwidth, and also repeater direction/shift frequency and CTCSS functions on the FM mode) into the Quick Memory Bank.
Press the [F] button followed by this button to activate the VOX (voice-actuated transmitter switching) feature in the SSB, AM, and FM modes.

**PMS/SCAN Switch**
Press this button to initiate the upward scanning of VFO frequencies or memory channels.
Press the [F] button followed by this button to engage the Programmable Memory Scan, (PMS) which limits scanning within a particular frequency range.

**METER/DIM Switch**
Press this button to change the meter function in the transmit mode as follows.
PO → ALC → SWR → PO
PO: Indicates the average power output level.
ALC: Indicates the relative ALC voltage.
SWR: Indicates the Standing Wave Ratio (Forward/Reflected).
Press the [F] button followed by this button to enable adjustment of the display dimmer level by the [DSP/SEL] knob. When the adjustment is complete, press this key again.

**F Switch**
Press this button to activate the alternate key functions of the six command buttons located on the upper right corner of the front panel.
Press and hold this button for one second to engage the “Menu” mode.
MIC Jack
This 8-pin jack accepts input from a supplied MH-67AJ Hand Microphone.

SHIFT Knob
This knob shifts the IF DSP passband to reduce an interfering signal which is inside the IF passband.

DSP/SEL Knob
This knob is used to select functions depending on the situation:
- Frequency Tuning
- Memory Channel Selection
- DSP Setting
- Menu Mode Selection

MODE▼/MODE▲ Switch
These buttons select the operating mode.

KEYER Switch
This button toggles the internal CW keyer on and off.

CLAR Switch
Pressing this button activates the Clarifier, to allow temporarily offsetting the receive frequency. When the Clarifier is active, you may offset the receive frequency by adjusting the [MAIN DIAL] knob.
**Front Panel Switches and Knobs**

**A=B Switch**
Press this button momentarily to transfer data from VFO-A frequency (or a recalled memory channel) to VFO-B, overwriting the previous contents in VFO-B. Use this key to set both VFO-A and VFO-B to the same frequency and mode.

**A/B Switch**
This button toggles the frequency control between VFO-A and VFO-B.

**FAST Switch**
Pressing this button will increase or decrease the tuning rate of the [MAIN DIAL] knob by a factor of ten and also increase or decrease the tuning rate of the [DSP/SEL] knob by a factor of two.

**LOCK Switch**
This button toggles the locking of the [MAIN DIAL] knob and some switches, to prevent accidental frequency changes. Advice: You may select the locking schemes via the Menu Mode. Term Explanation: The Menu Mode permits you to make small changes in the parameters of many of the functions of the FT-450. You can customize the operations to your personal preferences.

**MAIN DIAL Knob**
This knob adjusts the operating frequency in the SSB/CW/DATA modes. You may change the knobs function to also adjust frequency in AM/FM mode via the Menu Mode. When the Clarifier is activated, this knob adjusts the receiver offset frequency.

**SQL/RF Gain Knob**
In the factory default, this knob adjusts the gain of the receiver's RF and IF stages. Using Menu Item "SQL/RFG", this knob may be changed to function as a squelch control, which may be used to silence background noise when no signal is present.

**AF Gain**
This knob sets the receiver's audio volume level. Typically, you will operate with this control set between the 9 o'clock and 10 o'clock positions.

**BAND ▼/BAND ▲ Switch**
These buttons select the operating band.
**DISPLAY INDICATIONS**

**Meter**
While receiving, the received signal strength is displayed. While transmitting, the meter displays PO, ALC, or SWR (determined by the [METER/DIM] button).

**DSP Graphic Display**
- **CONTOUR**: The peak position of the CONTOUR Filter is depicted graphically here when the CONTOUR Filter is activated.
- **NOTCH**: The null position of the IF Notch Filter is depicted graphically here when the IF Notch Filter is activated.
- **DNR**: Indicates the Noise Reduction level of the Digital Noise Reducer.
- **WIDTH**: Indicates the bandwidth of the DSP IF filter.
- **SHIFT**: Indicates the peak position of the DSP IF filter.
**DISPLAY INDICATIONS**

**Block Diagram Display**
- **ANT**: Indicates the antenna status. When the antenna system became abnormality, this indicator will blink.
- **ATT**: Indicates the RF attenuator status ("ON" or "OFF") selected for operation by the [ATT/IPO] button.
- **IPD**: Indicates that the front-end RF pre-amplifier is removed from the receiver circuit. The incoming signal is fed direct to the first mixer.
- **RF**: Indicates the 10 kHz Roofing Filter status. This is always turned on.
- **NB**: Indicates the Noise Blanker status ("ON" or "OFF").
- **AGC**: Indicates the AGC decay time.

**Frequency Display**
- **TX**: This indicator appears during transmission.
- **BUSY**: This indicator appears whenever the receiver squelch is open.
- **TUNER**: This indicator appears when the optional ATU-450 Internal Automatic Antenna Tuner is activated.
- **LSB**/**USB**: Displays the currently selected operating mode.
- **CW**/**AM**/**FM**/**DATA**: Displays the current CTCSS operation while in FM mode.
- **ENC**/**DEC**: Displays the Repeater Shift Direction while in FM mode.
- **VOX**: This indicator appears whenever the VOX (automatic voice-actuated transmitter switching) circuit is activated.
- **P.BACK**: This indicator appears while the voice recorder is recording the receiver audio. This indicator blinks while the voice recorder is playing back the recorded audio.
- **KEYER**: This indicator appears whenever the internal CW keyer is activated.
- **BK**: This indicator appears whenever the CW break-in operation is activated.
- **FAST**: This indicator appears when the [MAIN DIAL] knob’s tuning rate is set to fast.
- **LOCK**: This indicator appears when the [MAIN DIAL] knob is locked.
- **MENU**: This indicator appears whenever the Menu Mode is engaged.
- **CLAR**: This indicator appears whenever the Clarifier function is activated.
- **SPLIT**: This indicator appears whenever Split-frequency operation is activated.
- **F**: This indicator appears when the alternate key functions of the six command buttons located on the upper right corner of the front panel is activated.
**DC IN Jack**
This is the DC power supply connection for the transceiver. Use the supplied DC cable to connect directly to the car battery or to a DC power supply, which must be capable of supplying at least 22 A @13.8 VDC.

**ANT Jack**
Connect your antenna here, using a type-M (PL-259) coaxial connector and 50 Ohm coaxial feeding. Warning: High Power RF voltage is present at the TX RF section of the transceiver while transmitting. Absolutely! Do not touch the TX RF section while transmitting.

**COOLING FAN**
Turns at low speed in receive mode. Turns at high speed when the temperature begins to rise or in transmit mode.

**GND Terminal**
For safety and optimum performance, use this terminal to connect the transceiver to a good earth ground. Use a large diameter, short braided cable for making ground connections. Refer to page 12 for other notes about proper grounding.

**EXT SPKR Jack**
This 3.5-mm, 2-pin jack provides variable audio output for an external speaker. The audio output impedance at this jack is 4 - 16 Ohms and the level varies according to the setting of the front panel’s [AF GAIN] knob. Inserting a plug into this jack disables the internal loudspeaker.

**CAT Jack**
This 9-pin serial DB-9 jack allows external computer control of the FT-450. Connect a (straight) serial cable here and to the RS-232C COM port on your personal computer (no external interface is required).

**LINEAR Jack**
This 10-pin output jack provides band selection data, which may be used for control of the optional VL-1000 Solid-State Linear Amplifier.

**TUNER Jack**
This 8-pin jack is used for Connection to the FC-30 or FC-40 External Automatic Antenna Tuner.

**DATA Jack**
This 6-pin input/output jack provides receiver audio and squelch signals, and accepts transmit (AFSK) audio and PTT control, from an external packet TNC.
SUPPLIED MH-67A8J MICROPHONE

PTT Switch
Press this switch to transmit, and release it to receive after your transmission is completed.

MIC
The microphone is located here. Speak into the microphone in a normal voice level. The microphone should be positioned within 2 inches (5 cm) from the mouth for optimum performance.
### ACCESSORIES & OPTIONS

#### SUPPLIED ACCESSORIES

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#### AVAILABLE OPTIONS

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**Connection of Antenna and Power Supply**

The FT-450 is designed for use with any antenna system providing a 50 Ohm resistive impedance at the desired operating frequency. Every effort should be made to ensure the impedance of the antenna system is as close as possible to the specified 50-Ohm value. Note that the “G5RV” type antenna does not provide 50-Ohm impedance on all HF Amateur bands, and an external wide-range antenna coupler must be used with this antenna type.

Any antenna to be used with the FT-450 must, ultimately, be fed with 50 Ohm coaxial cable. Therefore, when using a “balanced” antenna such as a dipole, remember that a balun or other matching/balancing device must be used to ensure proper antenna performance.

**Caution**

Permanent damage can result if improper supply voltage, or reverse-polarity voltage, is applied to the FT-450. The Limited Warranty on this transceiver does not cover damage caused by application of AC voltage, reversed polarity DC, or DC voltage outside the specified range of 13.8V ±10%. When replacing fuses, be certain to use a fuse of the proper rating. The FT-450 requires a 25A fast-blow fuse.

**About Coaxial Cable**

Use high-quality 50-Ohm coaxial cable for the lead-in to your FT-450 transceiver. All efforts at providing an efficient antenna system will be wasted if poor quality, lossy coaxial cable is used. This transceiver utilizes standard “M” (“PL-259”) type connector.
The FT-450 transceiver, like any other HF communications apparatus, requires an effective ground system for maximum electrical safety and best communications effectiveness. A good ground system can contribute to station efficiency in a number of ways:

- It can minimize the possibility of electrical shock to the operator.
- It can minimize RF currents flowing on the shield of the coaxial cable and the chassis of the transceiver. Such currents may lead to radiation, which can cause interference to home entertainment devices or laboratory test equipment.
- It can minimize the possibility of erratic transceiver/accessory operation caused by RF feedback and/or improper current flow through logic devices.

An effective earth ground system may take several forms. For a more complete discussion, see an appropriate RF engineering text. The information below is intended only as a guideline.

Typically, the ground connection consists of one or more copper-clad steel rods, driven into the ground. If multiple ground rods are used, they should be positioned in a "V" configuration, and bonded together at the apex of the "V" which is nearest the station location. Use a heavy, braided cable (such as the discarded shield from type RG-213 coaxial cable) and strong cable clamps to secure the braided cable(s) to the ground rods. Be sure to weatherproof the connections to ensure many years of reliable service. Use the same type of heavy, braided cable for the connections to the station ground bus (described below).

Inside of the station, a common ground bus consisting of a copper pipe of at least 25 mm (1") diameter should be used. An alternative station ground bus may consist of a wide copper plate (single-sided circuit board material is ideal) secured to the bottom of the operating desk. Grounding connections from individual devices such as transceivers, power supplies, and data communications devices (TNCs, etc.) should be made directly to the ground bus using a heavy, braided cable.

Do not make ground connections from one electrical device to another, and thence to the ground bus. This so-called "Daisy-Chain" grounding technique may nullify any attempt at effective radio frequency grounding. See the drawing below for examples of proper grounding techniques.

Inspect the ground system - inside the station as well as outside - on a regular basis so as to ensure maximum performance and safety.

Besides following the above guidelines carefully, note that household or industrial gas lines must never be used in an attempt to establish an electrical ground. Cold water pipes may, in some instances, help in the grounding effort, but gas lines represent a significant explosion hazard, and must never be used.
**INSTALLATION**

**VL-1000 LINEAR AMPLIFIER INTERCONNECTION**

Be sure that both the FT-450 and VL-1000 are turned off, then follow the installation recommendations contained in the illustration.

**Note:**
- Please refer to the VL-1000 Operating Manual for details regarding amplifier operation.
- Please do not attempt to connect or disconnect coaxial cables when your hands are wet.

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**INTERFACING TO OTHER LINEAR AMPLIFIER**

The T/R control line is a transistor "open collector" circuit, capable of handling positive amplifier relay coil voltages of up to +50V DC and current of up to 400 mA. If you plan on using multiple linear amplifiers for different bands, you must provide external band-switching of the "Lin Tx" relay control line from the "TX GND OUT" line at the LINEAR jack.

**Important Note!**
Do not exceed the maximum voltage or current ratings for the "TX GND OUT" line at the LINEAR jack. This line is not compatible with negative DC voltages, nor AC voltages of any magnitude. Most amplifier control relay systems require only low DC voltage/current switching capability (typically, +12V DC at 25 ~ 75 mA), and the switching transistor in the FT-450 will easily accommodate such amplifiers.

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**FT-450 OPERATION MANUAL**
**RECEIVING**

1. Connect your antenna to the ANT jack on the rear panel.
2. Connect the after-market DC power supply (or car battery) using the supplied DC power cable, and set the POWER switch of the DC power supply to on.
3. Press and hold in the [POWER(ON/OFF)] switch for one second to turn the transceiver on.
4. Rotate the [SQL/RF GAIN] knob to the fully clockwise position.
5. Rotate the [AF GAIN] knob to set a comfortable audio level on incoming signals or noise. Clockwise rotation of the [AF GAIN] knob increases the volume level.
6. Press the [BAND▼]/[BAND▲] button to select the amateur band which you wish to begin operating.
7. Press the [MODE▼]/[MODE▲] button to select the desired operating mode.
8. Rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to set the desired frequency.

**TRANSMIT**

1. Connect the supplied MH-67A8J to the MIC jack on the front panel.
2. To transmit, press the microphone’s PTT (Push To Talk) switch, speak into the microphone in a normal voice level.
3. Release the PTT switch to return to the receive mode.

**NOTICE**

Regarding of the [DSP/SEL] knob

The [DSP/SEL] knob is used for operating various functions depending on the situation.

If you can not change the frequency/memory channel by tuning the [DSP/SEL] knob, the [DSP/SEL] knob is selected to operate of one of the DSP functions.

In this case, press the [DSP] button several times until the “>” icon disappears from the DSP Graphic Display.
EASY OPERATION

HOW TO USE THE [DSP/SEL] KNOB

When a DSP function is not selected and no “>” icon is shown in the LCD Graphic Display, then turning the [DSP/SEL] knob controls the frequency in VFO mode, or selects the memory channel in memory mode, or selects the menu item in memory mode. In the VFO Mode, briefly depressing the [DSP/SEL] knob will permit frequency adjustment in 100 kHz steps (Default setting). (The 100 kHz operation may be changed with the “SELDIAL” menu function.)

When a DSP function is selected, the “>” icon will appear next to the function in the LCD Graphic Display. Then pressing the [DSP/SEL] knob will switch the DSP function on or off. When the DSP function is on, turning the [DSP/SEL] knob will change the function parameters.

ADVICE:
You may change the function of the [DSP/SEL] knob via menu item “SELDIAL”.

MENU OPERATION

The Menu System allows you to customize a wide variety of transceiver performance aspects and operating characteristics. After you have initially customized the various Menu procedures, you will find that you will not have to resort to them frequently during everyday operation.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu Mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the Menu Item to be adjusted.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of the selected Menu Item. The “MENU” icon will blink.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to adjust or select the parameter to be changed.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to save the selection. The icon appears continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to return to normal operation.
HOW TO USE THE [VOICE/C.S] SWITCH

You may set the [VOICE/C.S] button function to one of 52 functions via Menu Item "PNL.C.S".

To assign a function to the [VOICE/C.S] button:

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu Mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select Menu Item "PNL.C.S".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this Menu Item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired function.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to return to normal operation.

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<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Function</th>
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<tr>
<td>MONI</td>
<td>Activates the Monitor function.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>No Function.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>P&amp;B</td>
<td>Activates the Digital Voice Recorder.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PLAY1</td>
<td>Send the CW message, which is memorized in BEACON TEXT 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PLAY2</td>
<td>Send the CW message, which is memorized in BEACON TEXT 2.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PLAY3</td>
<td>Send the CW message, which is memorized in BEACON TEXT 3.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DSP/SEL</td>
<td>Activates Quick Split Operation.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SPOT</td>
<td>Generates a CW Spot Tone while pressing the [VOICE/C.S] button when using CW mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SQLOFF</td>
<td>Opens the noise squelch while pressing the [VOICE/C.S] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SWR</td>
<td>Transmits a 10 watts carrier (CW mode) to measure the SWR ratio while pressing the [VOICE/C.S] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TXW</td>
<td>Monitor the transmit frequency while pressing the [VOICE/C.S] button when Split Frequency operation is engaged.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VCC</td>
<td>Display the DC supply voltage while pressing the [VOICE/C.S] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VOICE2</td>
<td>Announces the current S-meter reading, operating frequency (with resolution to the displayed 100 Hz digit), and operating mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VM1MONI</td>
<td>Play back the voice message, which is memorized in Voice Memory 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VM1REC</td>
<td>Store the voice message into Voice Memory 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VM1TX</td>
<td>Send the voice message, which is memorized in Voice Memory 1.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VM2MONI</td>
<td>Play back the voice message, which is memorized in Voice Memory 2.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VM2REC</td>
<td>Store the voice message into Voice Memory 2.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VM2TX</td>
<td>Send the voice message, which is memorized in Voice Memory 2.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DOWN</td>
<td>Decreases the VFO frequency by one step or moves the memory channel to the next-lowest channel while pressing the [VOICE/C.S] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FAST</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [FAST] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>UP</td>
<td>Increases the VFO frequency by one step or moves the memory channel to the next-highest channel while pressing the [VOICE/C.S] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DSP</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [DSP] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AT/IPO</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [AT/IPO] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NB</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [NB] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AGC</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [AGC] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MODEDN</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [MODE y] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MODEUP</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [MODE y] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DSP/SEL</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [DSP/SEL] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>KEYER</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [KEYER] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CLAR</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [CLAR] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BANDUP</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [BAND y] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>BANDDN</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [BAND y] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>A+B</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [A+B] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>LOCK</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [LOCK] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TUNE</td>
<td>Set to the same function as the front panel’s [TUNE] button.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VOICE</td>
<td>Announce the current operating frequency (with resolution to the displayed 100 Hz digit) and operating mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MW</td>
<td>Copies the current operating data from the VFO into the currently selected memory channel.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VM</td>
<td>Toggles frequency control between VFO and memory system.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HOME</td>
<td>Recall the &quot;Home&quot; (favorite frequency) channel.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RCL</td>
<td>Recall the QMB (Quick Memory Bank) memory.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>VOX</td>
<td>Activate the VOX (automatic voice-actuated transmitter switch/ing) feature.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>STO</td>
<td>Copies operating data into QMB (Quick Memory Bank) Memory.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>STEP</td>
<td>Enables the setting of the frequency step of the [DSP/SEL] knob by the [DSP/SEL] knob.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SPLIT</td>
<td>Activates split frequency operation between VFO-A and VFO-B.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PMS</td>
<td>Engages Programmable Memory Scan (PMS).</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SCAN</td>
<td>Initiates the upward scanning of VFO frequencies or memory channels.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MENU</td>
<td>Engage the &quot;Menu&quot; mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DIMMER</td>
<td>Enables adjustment of the display dimmer level by the [DSP/SEL] knob.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MTR</td>
<td>Change the meter function in the transmit mode.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>USER</td>
<td>This parameter is for future expansion of the transceiver’s capabilities. Do not select this parameter.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
KEY DURATION SETTING

The duration that buttons are held determines the function they activate. Factory default is one second. Pressing a button for less than one second activates one function. Pressing and holding the button in for longer than one second activates another function.

The default one second release time can be changed to a shorter or longer duration, if desired.

To do this:

1. Press and hold the \([F]\) button for one second to enter the Menu Mode. The “\([MENU]\)” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the \([DSP/SEL]\) knob to select the Menu Item “\(\text{EXT MNU}\)”,
3. Press the \([DSP/SEL]\) knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “\([MENU]\)” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the \([DSP/SEL]\) knob to select “\(\text{ON}\)” to expand the menu item.
5. Press the \([DSP/SEL]\) knob. The “\([MENU]\)” icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the \([F]\) button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the \([F]\) button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “\([MENU]\)” icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the \([DSP/SEL]\) knob to select menu item “\(\text{KEYHOLD}\)”,
9. Press the \([DSP/SEL]\) knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “\([MENU]\)” icon will be blinking.
10. Rotate the \([DSP/SEL]\) knob to set the desired duration time. Available selections are \(0.5/1.0/1.5/2.0\) sec. (default value: \(1.0\) sec).
    You may Press the \([HOME/RCL]\) button to reset the duration time to the factory default.
11. Press the \([DSP/SEL]\) knob. The “\([MENU]\)” icon returns to appear continuously.
12. Press and hold the \([F]\) button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
EASY OPERATION

RESETTING THE MICROPROCESSOR

The FT-450 has three reset methods.

**VFO/Memory Reset**

Use this procedure to reset (clear out) the Memory channels (Except the QMB channel) previously stored and VFO data, without affecting any configuration changes you may have made to the Menu settings.

1. Press and hold in the [POWER(ON/OFF)] switch for one second to turn the transceiver off.
2. Press and hold the [MW/(V/M)] button. While holding it in, press and hold in the [POWER(ON/OFF)] switch for one second to turn the transceiver on. Once the transceiver comes on, you may release the [MW/(V/M)] button.

**Menu Mode Reset**

Use this procedure to restore the Menu settings to their factory defaults, without affecting the memories you have programmed.

1. Press and hold in the [POWER(ON/OFF)] switch for one second to turn the transceiver off.
2. Press and hold the [F] button. While holding it in, press and hold in the [POWER(ON/OFF)] switch for one second to turn the transceiver on. Once the transceiver comes on, you may release the [F] button.

**Full Reset**

Use this procedure to restore all Menu and Memory settings to their original factory defaults. All Memories will be cleared by this procedure.

1. Press and hold in the [POWER(ON/OFF)] switch for one second to turn the transceiver off.
2. Press and hold the [HOME/RCL] button. While holding it in, press and hold in the [POWER(ON/OFF)] switch for one second to turn the transceiver on. Once the transceiver comes on, you may release the [HOME/RCL] button.
The tuning step of the [MAIN DIAL] knob and the [DSP/SEL] knob is different depending on the operating mode.

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<tr>
<th>Operating Mode</th>
<th>MAIN DIAL Tuning Step</th>
<th>DSP/SEL Tuning Step</th>
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<tr>
<td>LSB/USB</td>
<td>1/10/20 Hz</td>
<td>1.0/2.5/5.0 kHz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>CW</td>
<td>1/10/20 Hz</td>
<td>1.0/2.5/5.0 kHz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>AM</td>
<td>100/200 Hz*</td>
<td>2.5/5/6/9.0/10/12/25 kHz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>FM</td>
<td>100/200 Hz*</td>
<td>5.0/6.25/10/15/20/25/50 kHz</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>DATA</td>
<td>10/20 Hz</td>
<td>1.0/2.5/5.0 kHz</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*1. When you press the [DSP/SEL] knob, the tuning step of the [DSP/SEL] knob changes to 100 kHz in all modes.

*2. In the factory default, the [MAIN DIAL] knob does not tune the AM and FM modes. However, you may activate the [MAIN DIAL] knob on the AM and FM mode via Menu Item "A&FDIAL".

### NOTICE

Regarding of the [DSP/SEL] knob

The [DSP/SEL] knob is used for operating various functions depending on the situation. If you cannot change the frequency/memory channel by tuning the [DSP/SEL] knob, the [DSP/SEL] knob is selected to operate one of the DSP functions. In this case, press the [DSP] button several times until the > icon disappears from the DSP Graphic Display.

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#### Change the Tuning Step of the [MAIN DIAL] Knob

1. Set the operating mode by pressing the [MODE] button.
2. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
3. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "DIALSTP".
4. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
5. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired tuning step described above.
   (You may Press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the tuning step to the factory default.)
6. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon is displayed continuously.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

#### Change the Tuning Step of the [DSP/SEL] Knob

1. Set the operating mode by pressing the [MODE] button.
2. Press the [F] button momentarily.
3. Press the [STEP/SPLIT] button.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired tuning step described above.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
**RECEIVING**

### ABOUT THE [UP]/[DWN] BUTTONS OF THE OPTIONAL MH-31A8J AND MD-100A8X

- The microphone's [UP]/[DWN] buttons utilize the tuning steps of the [MAIN DIAL] knob on the SSB/CW/DATA mode, and utilize the tuning steps of the [DSP/SEL] knob on the AM/FM mode.
- In the factory default, the microphone’s [FST] button does not activate. However, you may activate the microphone’s [FST] button via the Menu Item “P M-FST”.

**NOTE:**
- The microphone holder is affixed to the place where is contacted to the ground (for example, the chassis of your car), and the microphone is hooked on the microphone holder, the [FST] function becomes “ON”.
- We recommend that not to contact the microphone holder to the ground, nor set menu item “P M-FST” to “N/A”.

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**CLARIFIER**

You may change the receiving frequency only without changing the transmit frequency.

1. Press the [CLAR] button to activate the clarifier. The “CLAR” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to tune the desired receive frequency. (Offset of up to ±9.99 kHz may be set using the clarifier.) The offset frequency will appear at the bottom right corner of the display.
3. Press the [CLAR] button again to disable the clarifier. The “CLAR” icon will disappear from the display.

**NOTE:**
- Even when the clarifier is disabled, the variance of the clarifier remains (both TX and RX frequencies).
- Press and hold in the [CLAR] button for one second to clear the clarifier offset, meaning the receiving frequency is equal to the transmit frequency.
- When the [MAIN DIAL] knob is rotated to change the frequency after disabling the clarifier, the clarifier offset becomes “zero”, meaning the receiving frequency is equal to the transmit frequency.
- When the receiving frequency is higher than transmit frequency, “+” will be appended to the offset frequency.
- When the receiving frequency is lower than transmit frequency, “–” will be appended to the offset frequency.
- You may assign the CLAR function to the [DSP/SEL] knob via the Menu Item “CLAR”.

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**DIGITAL VOICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

Press the [F] button followed by the [VOICE/C.S] button to announce the current operating frequency (with resolution to the displayed 100 Hz digit) and operating mode.

*Advice:
If you assign the "VOICE2" function to the [VOICE/C.S] button via the menu item "PNL-C.S", you may confirm the current operating frequency (with resolution to the displayed 100 Hz digit), operating mode, and S-meter reading through the voice message announcement system by pressing the [VOICE/C.S] button. See page 16 for details of the [VOICE/C.S] button assignment.

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**DIAL LOCK**

Pressing the [LOCK] button toggles the locking of the [MAIN DIAL] knob and some switches, to prevent accidental frequency changes.

*Advice:
You may select the locking schemes via the menu item "LOCKMOD". See page 81 for details.
The “My Bands” feature allows you to select several Amateur bands, and make only those bands available for selection via the [BAND▼]/[BAND▲] buttons.

This feature can be very useful in a contest, where the 10/18/24 MHz band are not used, or if you do not have antennas for some bands.

**My Bands Setup**

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to save the new setting. The “MENU” icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “MY BAND”.
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
10. Press the [BAND▼]/[BAND▲] buttons to choose a band you wish to skip (omit) from the band selection loop.
11. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “OFF”, and then press the [DSP/SEL] knob.

**Note**

The “OFF” selection sets the selected band to be skipped, while the “ON” selection sets the selected band to be included in the band-selection list.

13. Repeat steps 10 through 12 to select/deselect as many bands as you like.

**Note**

The GEN (General Band) and the current band cannot be skipped.

14. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

**My Bands Operation**

Press the [BAND▼]/[BAND▲] buttons to choose the Amateur band on which you wish to operate. Only those Amateur bands that have not been skipped will appear as you scroll through the bands.
**RECEIVING**

**MY MODES OPERATION**

The "My Modes" feature allows you to select the operating modes you wish to have available for selection via the [MODE▼](#) / [MODE▲](#) buttons. Only the desired modes will be displayed in the loop.

This feature can be very useful in an HF operation, where the AM/FM/DATA modes are not used.

### MY MODES SETUP

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "EXT MNU".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "ON" to expand the menu items.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "MY MODE".
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
10. Press the [MODE▼] / [MODE▲] buttons to choose a mode you wish to skip (omit) from the mode selection loop.
11. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "OFF", and then press the [DSP/SEL] knob. **Note**
   
   *The "OFF" selection sets the selected mode to be skipped, while the "ON" selection sets the selected mode to be included in the mode-selection list.*
13. Repeat steps 10 through 12 to select/deselect as many modes as you like. **Note**
   
   *The mode currently in use cannot be turned off.*
14. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

### MY MODES OPERATION

Press the [MODE▼] / [MODE▲] buttons to choose the operating mode on which you wish to operate. Only those operating modes that have not been skipped will appear as you scroll through the modes.
RECEIVING

DIGITAL VOICE RECORDER

PREPARATIONS
1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "PNL-C.S".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "PB" to assign the Play Back feature to the [VOICE/C.S] button.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

RECORDING
1. Press and hold in the [VOICE/C.S] button for one second to initiate recording. The "REC" icon will appear in the display to confirm that recording is in progress. The recorder will store up to 20 seconds of the received audio and then halt the recording. The "REC" icon will go out.
2. You may halt the recording in progress, by pressing and holding the [VOICE/C.S] button for one second.

PLAYBACK
Press the [VOICE/C.S] button momentarily to begin playback of the recorded audio. The "PLAY" icon will blink in the display to confirm that playback is in progress.

ADVICE:
You may adjust the playback level of the recording with the [AF GAIN] knob.
The FT-450 includes a wide range of special features to suppress the many types of interference that may be encountered on the HF bands. However, real world interference conditions are constantly changing, so optimum setting of the controls is somewhat of an art, requiring familiarity with the types of interference and the subtle effects of some of the controls. Therefore, the following information is provided as a general guideline for typical situations, and a starting point for your own experimentation.

The FT-450’s interference-fighting circuitry begins in its “RF” stages, and continues throughout the entire receiver section. FT-450 allows configuration of the features described below.

**R. FLT (IF Roofing Filters)**
The Roofing filter, with a bandwidth of 10 kHz is provided in the 68 MHz First IF, right after the first mixer. This filter provides narrow-band selectivity to protect the following IF and DSP stages, for special operating circumstances.

**CONTOUR Filter (See PAGE 28)**
The DSP Contour filter provides a unique capability on the receiver, providing either nulling or peaking of tunable segments of the receiver passband, so as to suppress interference or excessive frequency components on an incoming signal, or to peak those tunable frequency segments. The amount of nulling/peaking, and the bandwidth over which it is applied, are adjustable via the Menu.

**IF SHIFT (See PAGE 29)**
The passband center frequency response of the IF DSP filtering may be adjusted using this control.

**IF WIDTH (See PAGE 30)**
The width of the IF DSP filtering may be adjusted using this control.

**IF NOTCH (See PAGE 31)**
The IF Notch filter is a high-Q notch filter that can significantly reduce, if not eliminate, an interfering carrier.

**DNR (DIGITAL NOISE REDUCTION) (See PAGE 32)**
The DSP’s Digital Noise Reduction (DNR) feature utilizes eleven different mathematical algorithms to analyze and suppress different noise profiles encountered on the HF/50 MHz bands. Choose the selection that provides the best noise suppression, which concurrently will allow the signal to rise up out of the noise.

**AGC (See PAGE 27)**
The AGC system is highly adaptable to changing signal and fading characteristics, making reception possible under the most difficult conditions.
The **FT-450** includes an effective **Noise Blanker**, which can significantly reduce noise caused by automotive ignition systems.

1. Press the **[NB]** button to activate the Noise Blanker.
2. Press the **[NB]** button again to disable the Noise Blanker.

The selection will be indicated in the Block Diagram on the display.

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**Convenience Features**

**ATT/IPO (AdjUSt the Receiving Sensitivity)**

You may reduce the receiving signal strength to 20 dB when extremely strong local signals or high noise degrade reception. You may optimize the characteristics of the receiver front-end, for best reception, depending on the noise levels and the signal strengths.

Press the **[ATT/IPO]** button several times to set the desired selection, per the chart below.

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<tr>
<th>ATT</th>
<th>IPO</th>
<th>Description</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>OFF</td>
<td>OFF</td>
<td>Attenuator is OFF, and the incoming signal is amplified by the RF preamplifier.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ON</td>
<td>OFF</td>
<td>Attenuator is ON, the incoming signal is reduced by 20 dB and the incoming signal is amplified by the RF preamplifier.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OFF</td>
<td>ON</td>
<td>Attenuator is OFF, and the incoming signal bypasses the RF preamplifier, yielding direct feed to the first mixer.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ON</td>
<td>ON</td>
<td>Attenuator is ON, the incoming signal power is reduced by 20 dB and the incoming signal bypasses the RF preamplifier, yielding direct feed to the first mixer.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

The selection will be indicated in the Block Diagram on the display.

**Note**

An attenuator is always "ON" between 30kHz and 1.7MHz.
CONVENIENCE FEATURES

AGC (TOOL FOR COMFORTABLE AND EFFECTIVE RECEPTION)

The AGC system is designed to help compensate for fading and other propagation effects, with characteristics that can be of particular value on each operating mode. The basic objective of AGC is to maintain a constant audio output level once a certain minimum threshold of signal strength is achieved.

Press the [AGC] button repeatedly to select the desired receiver-recovery time constant. The AGC status is indicated in the Block Diagram displayed on the display. For most operations, we recommend the "AUTO" mode. You may disable the AGC by pressing and holding in the [AGC] button for one second.

| AUTO | Sets the receiver-recovery time automatically depending on the operating mode. |
| FAST | Sets the receiver-recovery time to fast. This mode is suitable for CW/DATA reception. |
| SLOW | Sets the receiver-recovery time to slow. This mode is suitable for SSB/AM reception. |

**NOTE:**
Normally, the "AUTO" selection is satisfactory for most situations, but in the event of operation on a crowded band where you wish to receive a weak signal, you may wish to change the setting (to FAST, for example). The "AUTO" mode selections are:

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**ADVICE:**
If the AGC receiver-recovery time is set to "Off" by pressing and holding in the [AGC] button, the S-meter will no longer deflect. Additionally, you will likely encounter distortion on stronger signals, as the IF amplifiers and the following stages are probably being overloaded.
The Contour filtering system provides a gentle perturbation of the IF filter pass band, so as to suppress or enhance particular frequency components in five steps, thus improving the sound and/or readability of a received signal.

1. Press the [DSP] button several times to set the “>” icon to the “CONTOUR” indicator of the DSP Graphic Display on the display.
2. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to engage the contour filter.
3. Press and hold the [DSP/SEL] knob for one second to toggle the contour filter’s level between “null” and “peak”.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to achieve the most natural-sounding audio reproduction on the incoming signal.

The peak position of the contour filter is graphically-depicted in the “CONTOUR” indicator of the DSP Graphic Display on the LCD.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob again to increase the contour filter’s level (“null” or “peak”).
6. To disable the contour filter, press the [DSP/SEL] button again. The graphic disappears from the “CONTOUR” indicator of the LCD Display, confirming that the contour filter is no longer operating.

**Quick Point:**
The steep slopes of the DSP filtering can, when adjusted aggressively, impart an unnatural sound to an incoming signal. Often, a narrow bandwidth is not the key to improving copy. The incoming signal itself may have undesirable or excessive frequency components. By judicious use of the Contour filter, the “shoulder” of the passband response may be altered, or components removed from within the passband, allowing the desired signal to rise above the background noise/interference, enhancing intelligibility.
**Convenience Features**

**Shift (Interference Rejection “Signals within 3 kHz”)**

IF Shift allows you to vary the DSP filter passband higher or lower, without changing the pitch of the incoming signal, so as to reduce or eliminate interference. Because the carrier tuning frequency is not varied, there is no need to re-tune the operating frequency when eliminating the interference. The total passband tuning range for the IF Shift system is ±1 kHz.

Rotate the [Shift] knob to the left or right to reduce the interference.

You may observe the position of the passband in the "Shift" indicator of the DSP Graphic Display on the display.

Referring to Figure “A”, note the depiction of the IF DSP filter as the thick line, with the [Shift] knob in the 12 o’clock position. In Figure “B”, an interfering signal has appeared inside the original passband. In Figure “C”, you can see the effect of rotating the [Shift] knob to reduce the interference level by moving the filter passband so that the interference is outside of the passband.
Convenience Features

WIDTH (INTERFERENCE REJECTION “ SIGNALS WITHIN 3 KHZ”)

The IF Width tuning system allows you to vary the width of the DSP IF passband with three steps (FM: two steps), so as to eliminate interference. Moreover, the bandwidth may actually be expanded from its default setting, should you wish to enhance incoming signal fidelity when interference on the band is low.

1. Press the [DSP] button several times to set the “>” icon to the “WIDTH” indicator of the DSP Graphic Display on the display, to enable adjustment of the bandwidth by the [DSP/SEL] knob.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to adjust the bandwidth. Counter-clockwise rotation reduces the bandwidth, while clockwise rotation increases the bandwidth.

Referring to Figure “B”, this is default bandwidth.

By rotating the [DSP/SEL] knob to the left, the bandwidth will narrow (see Figure “A”), while rotation of the [DSP/SEL] knob to the right, as depicted in Figure “C”, will widen the bandwidth.

The default bandwidths, and total bandwidth adjustment range, will vary according to the operating mode:

SSB Mode: 1.8 kHz / 2.4 kHz / 3.0 kHz
(Nominal: 2.4 kHz).

CW Mode: 500 Hz / 1.8 kHz / 2.4 kHz
(Nominal: 1.8 kHz).

AM Mode: 3.0 kHz / 6.0 kHz / 9.0 kHz
(Nominal: 6.0 kHz).

FM Mode: 2.5 kHz / 5.0 kHz
(Nominal: 5.0 kHz).

Using IF Shift and Width Together

The IF Shift and Variable IF Width features together form a very effective interference-fighting filtering system.

For example, in Figure “A” you can see how interference has appeared both on the high and low sides of the desired signal. By rotating the [DSP/SEL]/[WIDTH] knob, as shown in Figure “B”, the interference from one side can be eliminated, and by re-positioning the [SHIFT] knob (Figure “C”), the interference on the opposite side can be removed, without re-introducing the interference previously eliminated in Figure “B”.

Advice: For best interference reduction, the Width and Shift features are the primary tools you should use. After narrowing the bandwidth (Width) and/or adjusting the center of the passband (Shift), the Contour control may also yield additional signal-enhancement benefits on the net residual bandwidth. What’s more, the IF Notch Filter (see the next section) may also be utilized, in conjunction with the three other filter systems, to significant advantage.

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NOTCH (INTERFERENCE REJECTION “SIGNALS WITHIN 3 KHZ”)

The IF Notch filter is a highly effective system that allows you to slice out an interfering beat note or other carrier signal from inside the receiver passband.

1. Press the [DSP] button several times to set the “>” icon to the “NOTCH” indicator of the DSP Graphic Display on the display.
2. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to engage the IF Notch filter.
3. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to adjust the center frequency of the IF Notch Filter. You may observe the graphically depicted peak position of the IF Notch filter in the “NOTCH” indicator of the DSP Graphic Display on the display.
4. To disable the IF Notch filter, press the [DSP/SEL] button again. The graphically depicted peak position disappears from the “NOTCH” indicator of the DSP Graphic Display on the display confirming that the IF Notch filter is no longer operating.

The performance of the IF Notch filter is shown in Figure “A”, where the effect of rotation of the [DSP/SEL] knob is depicted. In Figure “B”, you can see the notching effect of the IF Notch filter as you rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to eliminate the incoming interference.
The Digital Noise Reduction (DNR) system is designed to reduce the level of random noise found on the HF and 50 MHz bands, and it is especially effective during SSB operation. Any of eleven different noise-reduction algorithms can be selected. Each of these algorithms was created for dealing with a different noise profile, and you will want to experiment with the DNR system to find the best setting according to the noise currently being experienced.

1. Press the [DSP] button several times to set the “>” icon to the “DNR” indicator of the DSP Graphic Display on the display.
2. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to engage the Digital Noise Reduction system.
3. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the setting that most effectively reduces the noise level. You may observe the effectiveness of the Digital Noise Reduction system in the “DNR” indicator of the DSP Graphic Display on the display.
4. To disable the Digital Noise Reduction system, press the [DSP/SEL] button again. The graph effectively disappears from the “DNR” indicator of the DSP Graphic Display on the display confirming that the IF Notch filter is no longer operating.
The RF Gain controls provide manual adjustment of the gain levels for the receiver RF and IF stages, to compensate for noise and/or signal strength conditions at the moment.

The [SQL/RF GAIN] knob should, initially, be rotated to the fully clockwise position. This is the point of maximum sensitivity, and counter-clockwise rotation will gradually reduce the system gain.

**Advices:**
- As the [SQL/RF GAIN] knob is rotated counter-clockwise to reduce the gain, the S-meter reading will rise. This indicates that the AGC voltage being applied to the receiver is increasing (which causes a reduction in receiver gain).
- Rotating the [SQL/RF GAIN] knob control to the fully counter-clockwise position will essentially disable the receiver, as the gain will be greatly reduced. In this case, the S-meter will appear to be “pegged”. (That is a full-scale reading).
1. Press the \texttt{[BAND\downarrow]/[BAND\uparrow]} buttons to select the operating band. By pressing the \texttt{[BAND\downarrow]/[BAND\uparrow]} buttons, the operating band will change as follows:
7 \leftrightarrow 10 \leftrightarrow 14 \leftrightarrow 15 \leftrightarrow 18 \leftrightarrow 21 \leftrightarrow 21.4 \leftrightarrow 28 \leftrightarrow 50 \leftrightarrow 1.8 \leftrightarrow 3.5 \leftrightarrow 7 \ldots...

2. Press the \texttt{[MODE\downarrow]/[MODE\uparrow]} buttons to select the LSB, USB or AM mode. By convention, LSB is used in the 7 MHz and lower Amateur bands for SSB communication, and USB is used on the 14 MHz and higher bands (the 10 MHz band is used for CW and data modes only).

3. Rotate the \texttt{[MAIN DIAL]} knob to adjust the operating frequency. If you use the optional MH-31AX or MD-100AX, you may adjust the operating frequency by the \texttt{[UP]/[DWN]} buttons on the microphone.

4. Press the microphone's PTT (Push To Talk) switch to begin transmission. Speak into the microphone in a normal voice level. The "TX" icon will appear in the display, confirming that transmission is in progress. The Speech Processor is automatically activated while transmitting. The Speech Processor increases "talk power" by increasing the average power output.

5. Release the PTT switch at the end of your transmission. The transceiver will return to the receive mode.

\textbf{IMPORTANT NOTE:} When performing tests, be sure to check the frequency before transmitting, to avoid interfering with others who may already be using the frequency.

\textbf{NOTICE:} Regarding of the \texttt{[DSP/SEL]} knob

The \texttt{[DSP/SEL]} knob is used for operating various functions depending on the situation. If you can not change the frequency/memory channel by tuning the \texttt{[DSP/SEL]} knob, the \texttt{[DSP/SEL]} knob is selected to operate of one of the DSP functions. In this case, press the \texttt{[DSP]} button several times until the "$>$" icon disappears from the DSP Graphic Display.
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TX Meter Selection

You may change the PO meter function to ALC meter or SWR meter in the transmit mode.

By pressing the [METER/DIM] button, the meter function will change as follows.

PO → ALC → SWR → PWR .......

PO: Indicates the average power output level.
ALC: Indicates the relative ALC voltage.
SWR: Indicates the Standing Wave Ratio (Forward Power/Reflected Power).

TX Power Adjustment

Adjusting the TX output power:

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “RFPOWER”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired power output.
   You may press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the power output to the factory default.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
**SSB/AM Mode Transmission**

**TRANSMITTER TIME-OUT TIMER (TOT)**

The “Time-Out Timer” (TOT) feature is designed to force the transceiver into the “receive” mode after a preset period of continuous transmission (the default is “OFF”). This feature prevents your transceiver from transmitting a “dead carrier” for a long period of time if the microphone PTT switch is accidentally locked in the “TX” condition. The Time-Out Timer “switch-to-receive” time may be adjusted from 1 to 20 minutes, or Off via Menu Item “TOT”.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “TOT”.
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired “Maximum TX” time. Available selections are 1 minute through 20 minutes or off. Press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the TOT time to the factory default.
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
At the factory, a microphone gain has been programmed that should be satisfactory for the supplied MH-67A8J Hand Microphone. If you use an after-market microphone, you may wish to set a different Microphone Gain Level.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “MICGAIN”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired microphone gain (LOW, NOR, or HIGH, factory default: NOR).
   - LOW: When the microphone input is high the speech processor is turned off automatically.
   - NOR: For normal voice the speech processor is turned on automatically.
   - HIGH: When the microphone input is low the speech processor is turned on automatically.
   - Press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the microphone gain to the factory default.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
DSP MICROPHONE EQUALIZER

You may select one of ten available DSP equalization techniques for transmitted microphone audio.

1. Press and hold the [DSP] button for one second. This instantly activates menu item "MIC EQ". The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
3. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired equalizer pattern. Observe the relative equalizer pattern on the display.
   (You may press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the equalizer pattern to the factory default.)
5. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

The available selections are:
0: Flat
1: Low-frequency components are reduced.
2: Mid-frequency components are reduced.
3: High-frequency components are reduced.
4: High-frequency components are enhanced.
5: Mid-frequency components are enhanced.
6: Low-frequency components are enhanced.
7: Low-frequency components are enhanced and High-frequency components are reduced.
8: Low-frequency components are reduced and Mid-frequency components are enhanced.
9: Low-frequency components are reduced and High-frequency components are enhanced.

SSB/AM MODE TRANSMISSION

[HOME/RCL] button
[DSP] button
[DSP/SEL] knob
[F] button

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SSB/AM Mode Transmission

Automatic TX/RX Switching Using Voice Control (VOX)

Instead of using the microphone’s PTT switch to activate the transmitter, the VOX (Voice Operated TX/RX Control) system provides hands-free, automatic activation of the transmitter, based on voice input into the microphone. Setup of the VOX system takes only a few seconds.

1. Press the [F] button followed by the [VOX/STO] button to engage the VOX operation. The “VOX” icon will appear in the display.
2. Without pressing the PTT switch, speak into the microphone in a normal voice level. When you start speaking, the transmitter should be activated automatically. When you finish speaking, the transceiver should return to the receive mode (after a short delay).
3. To exit from VOX operation, press the [F] button followed by the [VOX/STO] button again.

VOX Gain Adjustment

Adjust the VOX gain level to prevent accidental transmitter activation in a noisy environment.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “VOXGAIN”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to set to the point where the transmitter is quickly activated by your voice, without causing background noise to activate the transmitter. Available selections are 1 through 100 (factory default: 50).
5. Press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the VOX gain level to the factory default.

VOX Delay Adjustment (The Transmit—Receive Delay after the Cessation of Speech)

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “VOX DLY”.
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob while saying a brief syllable like “Ah” and listening to the hang time, so as to set the desired delay. Available selections are 100 through 3000 msec (factory default: 500 msec).
11. Press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the VOX delay time to the factory default.
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
SSB/AM Mode Transmission

**MONITOR**

You may listen to the quality of your transmitted signal using the Monitor feature.

**PREPARATIONS**

Assign the Monitor feature to the [VOICE/C.S] button.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "PNL-C.S".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "MONI" to assign the Monitor feature to the [VOICE/C.S] button.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

**Advice:**

You may assign the MONITOR feature to the optional microphone's [DWN]/[FST]/[UP] button via the Menu Item "P M-DWN", "P M-FST" or "P M-UP".

**MONITORING**

1. Press the [VOICE/C.S](MONITOR) button to activate the Monitor feature. During transmission, your transmitted voice is output from the speaker.
2. Rotate the [AF GAIN] knob to adjust the audio level from the monitor.
3. To disable the Monitor feature, press the [VOICE/C.S](MONITOR) button again.

**Advice:**

- If you are using the speaker for monitoring, instead of headphones, excessive advancement of the [AF GAIN] knob can cause feedback to occur. Additionally, this feedback can cause the VOX system to hang up in a loop, making it impossible to return to receive. Therefore, we recommend the use of headphones, if at all possible, or the minimum usable setting of the [AF GAIN] knob, if the speaker must be used.
- Because the Monitor feature utilizes a sampling of the transmitter’s DSP signal, it can be very useful for checking the adjustment of the Speech Processor or Microphone Equalizer on SSB, and for checking the general signal quality on AM and FM.
SSB/AM Mode Transmission

Split-Frequency Operation

A powerful capability of the FT-450 is its flexibility in Split Frequency operation, using VFO-A and VFO-B frequency registers. This makes the FT-450 especially useful for high-level DX-pedition use, as the Split operation capability is very advanced and easy to use.

1. Press the [A/B] button to switch the VFO register to VFO-A, then set the transmit frequency.
2. Press the [A/B] button again to switch the VFO register to VFO-B, then set the receive frequency.
4. The “split” icon will appear in the display.
5. To quit Split-Frequency Operation, press the [STEP/SPLIT] button again.

Advice:
- It is possible to set different operating modes (for example, LSB and USB) on the two VFOs used during Split operation.
- It is possible to set different amateur bands (for example, 14 MHz and 21 MHz) on the two VFOs used during Split operation, if you use the multi band antenna.

Quick Split Operation

The Quick Split feature allows you to set a one-touch offset of +5 kHz to be applied to your radio’s transmit frequency compared to the receiving frequency. Furthermore, the transmit mode sets to the same mode as the receiving frequency register.

1. Press and hold in the [STEP/SPLIT] button for one second to engage the Quick Split feature. The transmit mode is set to the same mode as the receiver frequency register and applies a frequency 5 kHz above the receiving frequency register to the transmit frequency register. The “split” icon will appear in the display.
2. Press and hold in the [STEP/SPLIT] button for two seconds to increment the transmit frequency +5 kHz.
3. To quit the Quick Split Operation, press the [STEP/SPLIT] button again.

Advice:
- If you assign the “TXW” feature into the [VOICE/C.S] button, you may also listen to the TX frequency temporarily while pressing the [VOICE/C.S] button during Split operation.
You may utilize the Voice Memory capability of the FT-450 for repetitive messages. The Voice Memory system includes two memories (VM1 and VM2) capable of storing up to 10 seconds of voice audio each. The maximum that both memories can hold is 10 seconds.

**Recording Your Own Voice in Memory**

1. Assign the "VM1REC" (Voice Recording) function to the [VOICE/C.S] button using the procedure in the box below.
2. Select the LSB, USB, AM, or FM mode using the [MODE▼]/[MODE▲] buttons.
4. Press and hold the microphone’s PTT switch, the radio display will count down.
5. When the display Shows "VM1 10", speak into the microphone in a normal voice level to record the message (such as "CQ DX, CQ DX, this is W 6 Delta X-Ray Charlie, W 6 Delta X-Ray Charlie, Over"). Remember that the time limit for recording is 10 seconds.
6. Release the PTT switch to terminate the message storage process.

**Checking Your Recording**

1. Assign the "VM1MONI" (Voice Monitoring) function to the [VOICE/C.S] button using the procedure in the box below.
2. Select the LSB, USB, AM, or FM mode using the [MODE▼]/[MODE▲] buttons.
3. Press the [VOICE/C.S] button, and you will hear the contents of the voice memory you just recorded.
4. You may adjust the playback level of the recording by the [AF GAIN] knob.

**Transmitting the Recorded Message**

1. Assign the "VM1TX" (Voice Transmitting) function to the [VOICE/C.S] button using the procedure in the box below.
2. Select the LSB, USB, AM, or FM mode using the [MODE▼]/[MODE▲] buttons.
3. Press the [VOICE/C.S] button to transmit the contents of the voice memory you just recorded.
4. You may adjust the playback level of the recording by the [AF GAIN] knob.

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**How to assign a function to the [VOICE/C.S] button**

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu Mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select Menu Item “PNL-C.S”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this Menu Item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired function.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to return to normal operation.
CW Mode Operation

The powerful CW operating capabilities of the FT-450 include operation using both an electronic keyer paddle and a "straight key" or emulation thereof, as is provided by a computer-based keying device.

Setup for Straight Key (and Straight Key Emulation) Operation

Before starting, connect your key to the front panel KEY jack in the status that turned off the [POWER/ON/OFF] switch, and be sure the [KEYER] button is turned off (the "ON" icon is not displayed) for now.

1. Press the [BAND▼]/[BAND▲] buttons to select the operating band.
   By pressing the [BAND▼]/[BAND▲] buttons, the operating band will change as follows:
   7 ↔ 10 ↔ 14 ↔ 15 ↔ 18 ↔ 21 ↔ 21.4 ↔
   28 ↔ 50 ↔ 1.8 ↔ 3.5 ↔ 7 .......
2. Press the [MODE▼]/[MODE▲] buttons to select the CW mode.
3. Rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to adjust the operating frequency.
   If you use the optional MH-31AJ or MD-100AX, you may adjust the operating frequency by the [UP]/[DWN] buttons on the microphone.
4. Press the [F] button followed by the [VOX/STO] button to engage automatic activation of the transmitter when you close the CW key. The "ON" icon will appear in the display.
5. When you close your CW key, the transmitter will automatically be activated, and the CW carrier will be transmitted. When your release the key, transmission will cease after a brief delay. The delay time is user-programmable, per the discussion on page 48.

Notice

Regarding of the [DSP/SEL] knob

The [DSP/SEL] knob is used for operating various functions depending on the situation.

If you can not change the frequency/memory channel by tuning the [DSP/SEL] knob, the [DSP/SEL] knob is selected to operate of one of the DSP functions.

In this case, press the [DSP] button several times until the "on" icon disappears from the DSP Graphic Display.
CW MODE OPERATION

USING THE BUILT-IN ELECTRONIC KEYER

Before starting, connect your keyer paddle to the front panel KEY jack in the status that turned off the [POWER/ON/OFF] switch.

1. Press the [BAND▼][BAND▲] buttons to select the operating band.
   By pressing the [BAND▼][BAND▲] buttons, the operating band will change as follows.
   7 <-> 10 <-> 14 <-> 15 <-> 18 <-> 21 <-> 21.4 <-> 28 <-> 50 <-> 1.8 <-> 3.5 <-> 7 -------

2. Press the [MODE▼][MODE▲] buttons to select the CW mode.

3. Rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to adjust the operating frequency.
   If you use the optional MH-31A8J or MD-100AX, you may adjust the operating frequency by the [UP]/[DWN] buttons on the microphone.

4. Press the [F] button followed by the [VOX/STO] button to engage automatic activation of the transmitter when you close the CW key. The "[X]/[X]" icon will appear in the display.

5. Press the [KEYER] button to activate the built-in Electronic Keyer. The "[X]/[X]" icon will appear in the display.

6. When you press either the "Dot" or "Dash" side of your paddle, the transmitter will automatically be activated and the CW carrier will be transmitted. When your release the paddle, transmission will cease after a brief delay. The delay time is user-programmable, per the discussion on page 48.

ADJUSTING THE KEYER SPEED

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "[MENU]" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "CW/SPEED".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "[MENU]" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob while pressing either the "Dot" or "Dash" side of your paddle, so as to set the desired keyer speed (4 - 60 wpm).
   Press the [F] button if you wish to select display of "cpm" (characters per minute) instead of "wpm" (words per minute). The "cpm" selection is based on the international "PARIS" standard, which stipulates five characters per word.
   (You may Press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the keyer speed to the factory default.)
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

TERMINOLOGY:
PARIS Word Length: By convention in the Amateur industry (utilized by ARRL and others), the length of one "word" of CW is defined as the length of the Morse Code characters spelling the word "PARIS." This character (dot/dash/space) length is used for the standard definition of code speed in "words per minute".
CW Mode Operation

Using the Built-in Electronic Keyer

Setting the Keyer Weight (Dot/Space:Dash) Ratio

The Menu item “CWWEIGHT” may be used to adjust the Weight for the built-in Electronic Keyer. The default weighting is 3:1 (a dash is three times longer than a dot or space).

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “CWWEIGHT”.
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will change to blink.

[HOME/RCL] button

10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to set the desired keyer weight value. Available adjustment range is for a Dot/Space:Dash ratio of “2.5” - “4.5” (default value: “3.0”).
    (You may press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the keyer weight value to the factory default.)
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

Selecting the Keyer Paddle’s Wiring Configuration

You may select “normal” or “reverse” paddle polarity via Menu Item “CW KEY”. The default setting is “normal”, whereby the “Tip” connection on the key plug is “Dot” and the “Ring” connection is “Dash”.

To change the paddle polarity:

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “CW KEY”.
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.

[HOME/RCL] button

10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to set the “REV” (default: “NOR”).
    (You may press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the paddle polarity to the factory default.)
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
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CW Spotting (Zero-Beating)

“Spotting” (zeroing in on another CW station) is a handy technique for ensuring that you and the other station are precisely on the same frequency.

To Use CW Spotting:
In CW mode, while pressing and holding the [ATT/IPO] button, the Spot tone will be heard and Spot tone frequency will show in the display. This tone corresponds to the pitch of your transmitted signal, and if you adjust the receiver frequency to match the pitch of the received CW signal to that of the Spot tone, your transmitted signal will be precisely matched to that of the other station.

Release the [ATT/IPO] button to turn the Spot tone off.

Using CW Reverse
If you experience a difficult interference situation, where an interfering station cannot readily be eliminated, you may wish to try receiving using the opposite sideband. This may throw the interfering station’s frequency in a direction that may lend itself more readily to rejection.

1. To start, let’s use a typical example where you have set the CW mode (using the default “USB” injection: the “CW” and “USB” icon appear).
2. Press and hold in the [MODE▼] or [MODE▲] button for one second. The “LSB” icon appears instead of “USB”, indicating that the “LSB” injection side has now been selected.
3. Press and hold in the [MODE▼] or [MODE▲] button, once again, for one second to return to the normal (USB) injection side and cancel CW Reverse operation (the “CW” and “USB” icons appear).

In the illustration, Figure A demonstrates the normal CW injection setup, using the USB side. In Figure B, CW Reverse has been engaged, so as to receive using LSB-side injection to eliminate interference.

The beneficial effect of switching sidebands can clearly be seen in this example.

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**CW Delay Time Setting**

During semi-break-in (not QSK) operation, the hang time of the transmitter, after you have finished sending, may be adjusted to a comfortable value consistent with your sending speed. This is the functional equivalent to the "VOX Delay" adjustment used on voice modes, and the delay may be varied anywhere between 30 - 3000 millisecond (10 millisecond step) and FULL (Full Break-in operation).

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "CW DLY".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to set the desired delay time.
   If the delay selection is set to "FULL", the transceiver operates in the full break-in mode (allowing you to hear between the characters that are being sent).
   (You may press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the delay time to the factory default.)
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

**CW Sidetone Volume Level Setting**

You may adjust the CW sidetone volume level via the Menu Item "CWSTONE".

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "CWSTONE".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. While pressing and holding the [METER/DIM] button, rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to set the desired sidetone volume level (FIX 0 - FIX 100).
   If you wish to adjust the CW sidetone level with the [AF GAIN] knob, press the [F] key to change the display to "LNK-xx" and then rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to set the volume ratio of the CW sidetone volume level for the receiving audio volume level.
   Available selections are LNK-50 ~ LNK 0 ~ LNK+50. When the LNK 0 is selected, the CW sidetone volume level becomes the same as receiving audio volume level.
   (You may press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the CW sidetone level to the factory default.)
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
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CW Pitch Adjustment

You may adjust the center frequency of the receiver passband, as well as the pitch of your offset CW carrier via the Menu Item “CWPITCH”. Available tone selections are 400 Hz through 800 Hz, in 100 Hz step.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “CWPITCH”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. While pressing and holding the [METER/DIM] button, rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to set the desired pitch frequency. (You may press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the pitch frequency to the factory default.)
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

CW Training Feature

The FT-450 provides a unique CW Training feature, which sends random Morse Code five-character groups via the sidetone (heard in the speaker), so you can improve your CW proficiency whether or not the bands are open.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “CWTRAIN”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the training mode:
   N: Numeric character only
   A: Alphabet character only
   M: Numeric and Alphabet characters (Mixed)
5. Press the [F] button to begin generation of the five character code groups (CW sidetone only, does not key the transmitter).
6. When the code group is completed, the “Answer” will appear on the display.
8. Press the [F] button to generate another code group, as above.
9. To disable the CW Training feature, press and hold the [F] button for one second to return to normal operation.

Notes:
- You may adjust the Morse Speed via Menu Item “CWSPEED”.
- You may adjust the sidetone volume level via Menu Item “CWSTONE”.
The FT-450's unique "Beacon" feature allows you to set up the transceiver to send a repetitive message. For example, on a DX-pedition, the FT-450 beacon might be activated on a 50 MHz frequency, to alert DXers to possible band openings.

**Beacon Feature**

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "EXT MNU".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "ON" to expand the menu items.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "BCN TXT".
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
10. Rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to select "1:1- - - -".
11. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob one click clockwise to enable storage of the Beacon Text.
12. Rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to select the first character (number or letter) in the Beacon Text you wish to store. Then rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob one click clockwise to move to the next character. Available characters are A - Z, 0 - 9, I, ., and space character.
13. Repeat step 12 as many times as necessary to complete the Beacon Text.

If the Beacon Text is more than 40 characters long, but less than 79, set the last (40th) character to be "-", press the [DSP/SEL] knob twice, then rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to select "2:2- - - -". Now repeat step 12.

If the Beacon Text is more than 79 characters long, but less than 118 characters may be stored. In this case, set the final character slot in "2:" to be "-", press the [DSP/SEL] knob twice, then rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to select "3:3- - - -". Now repeat step 12.

Do not forget to install the "-" mark after the last character, to terminate the text.

14. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

### Set the Beacon Interval Time

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "EXT MNU".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "ON" to expand the menu item.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "BCN TIM".
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the interval time (between message and message) Available selections are 1 - 255 second or off.
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
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**Beacon Feature**

**Beacon Transmission (On the Air)**

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select menu item “PNL-C.S”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “PLAY1”.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Set the operating mode to CW.
8. Press the [VOICE/C.S] button to activate the Beacon Feature (transmit the CW Beacon). The “PLAY1” notation appears on the display while sending the beacon, and the “BEACON” notation appears on the display between transmissions.

To disable the transmission from the Beacon, press the [VOICE/C.S] button again.

**Manual Beacon Transmission**

You may also send the Beacon text manually. If this is done, all three “Beacon” messages may be used as a traditional CW message keyer. To do this:

1. Repeat the “Set the Beacon Interval Time” procedure described previously, rotating the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “off” in step 11.
2. Repeat the “Beacon Transmission (On the Air)” procedure, rotating the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “PLAY2” if you wish to send the message manually which is stored in bank “2”, or “PLAY3” if you wish to send the message manually which is stored in bank “3” in step 4.
3. Press the [VOICE/C.S] button to activate the Beacon Feature (transmit the CW Beacon).
FM Mode Operation

Basic Operation

1. Press the [BAND▼]/[BAND▲] buttons to select the 28 MHz or 50 MHz.
   Note: FM is only used in the 28 MHz and 50 MHz Amateur bands covered in the FT-450. Please do not use FM on any other bands.

2. Press the [MODE▼]/[MODE▲] buttons to select the FM mode.

3. Rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to adjust the operating frequency.
   If you use the optional MH-31A8J or MD-100A8X, you may adjust the operating frequency by the [UP]/[DOWN] buttons on the microphone.

4. Press the microphone’s PTT (Push To Talk) switch to begin transmission. Speak into the microphone in a normal voice level.
   The "TALK" icon will appear in the display, confirming that transmission is in progress.

5. Release the PTT switch at the end of your transmission. The transceiver will return to the receive mode.

Notes:
At the factory, a microphone gain has been programmed that should be satisfactory for the supplied MH-67A8J Hand Microphone. If you use an after-market microphone, you may wish to set a different Microphone Gain Level, described previously (Microphone Gain Level Adjustment: see page 37)

Notice
Regarding of the [DSP/SEL] knob
The [DSP/SEL] knob is used for operating various functions depending on the situation.

If you can not change the frequency/memory channel by tuning the [DSP/SEL] knob, the [DSP/SEL] knob is selected to operate of one of the DSP functions.

In this case, press the [DSP] button several times until the "->" icon disappears from the DSP Graphic Display.
The FT-450 may be operated on 29 MHz and 50 MHz repeaters. Use this procedure to set the repeater shift direction, and the CTCSS squelch mode & tone.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "Menu" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "EXT MNU".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "Menu" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "ON" to expand the menu items.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "Menu" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "RPT".
7. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "Menu" icon will change to blink.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired repeater shift direction. Available selections are -SHIFT, SIMPLEX, and +SHIFT.
10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "SQL TYP".
11. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "Menu" icon will be blinking.
12. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired CTCSS mode. If you just need to send the uplink encoding tone, select "ENC". For encode/decode operation, choose "ENC DEC" instead.
14. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "TONE F".
15. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "Menu" icon will be blinking.
16. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired CTCSS tone to be used. A total of 50 standard CTCSS tones are provided.
17. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "Menu" icon returns to appear continuously.
18. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
19. Rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to the output frequency (downlink) from the repeater.
20. Close the microphone’s PTT switch to begin transmission. You will observe that the frequency has shifted to correspond to the programming you set up in the previous steps. Speak into the microphone in a normal voice level, and release the PTT switch to return to the receive mode.

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CTCSS Tone Frequency (Hz)

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Advice:
The conventional repeater shift used on 29 MHz is 100 kHz, while on the 50 MHz band the shift may vary between 500 kHz and 1.7 MHz (or more). To program the proper repeater shift, use Menu Item "RPT SFT".
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**Tone Squelch Operation**

You may also use “Tone Squelch” whereby your receiver will be kept silent until an incoming signal bearing a matching CTCSS tone is received. Your receiver’s squelch will then open in response to the reception of the required tone.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
6. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select menu item “SQL TYP”.
7. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the “ENC DEC”.
10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select menu item “TONE F”, then press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item.
11. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired CTCSS tone to be used. A total of 50 standard CTCSS tones are provided.
13. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

When Tone Squelch is activated, the “ENC DEC” icon appears in the display.

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**Tone Search Scanning**

In operating situations where you don’t know the CTCSS tone being used by another station or stations, you can command the radio to listen to the incoming signal and scan in search of the tone being used. Two things must be remembered in this regard:

- You must be sure that your repeater uses the same tone type (CTCSS).
- Some repeaters do not pass the CTCSS tone; you may have to listen to the station(s) transmitting on the repeater uplink (input) frequency in order to allow Tone Search Scanning to work.

To scan for the tone in use:

1. Set the radio up for CTCSS operation (see the previous discussion). The “MODE” icon will appear on the display.
2. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
3. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “TONE F”.
4. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of the selected Menu Item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
5. Press the [PMS/SCAN] button to start scanning for the incoming CTCSS tone.
6. When the radio detects the correct tone, it will halt on that tone, and audio will be allowed to pass.
7. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to lock in that tone.
8. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to return to normal operation.

**Note:**

If the Tone Scan feature does not detect a tone, it will continue to scan indefinitely. When this happens, it may be that the other station is not sending any tone. You can press the [PMS/SCAN] button to halt the scan at any time.
MEMORY OPERATION

CONVENIENT MEMORY FUNCTIONS

The FT-450 contains 500 regular memories, labeled "MEM-001" through "MEM-500", two Home channels, one for the HF band and another for the 50 MHz band, two special programmed limit memory pairs, labeled "MEM-P1L/MEM-P1U" and "MEM-P2L/MEM-P2U", one QMB (Quick Memory Bank) memory, one Alaska Emergency Frequency Channel (5167.5 kHz), and five 60-meter (5 MHz) band channels. Each (except the Alaska Emergency Frequency Channel and 60-meter Band channels, which are fixed.) stores various settings, in addition to the frequency and mode (See below). By default, the 500 regular memories are contained in one group; however, they can be arranged in up to 10 separate groups, if desired.

Quick Point:
The FT-450's memory channels store the following data:
- Operating Frequency
- Operating Mode
- NARROW / WIDE FM bandwidth status
- ATT status
- IPO status
- CONTOUR status and its Peak Frequency
- DSP Noise Reduction (DNR) status and its Reduction algorithm selection.
- DSP Notch filter (NOTCH) status
- Repeater Shift Direction
- CTCSS Tone Frequency

IMPORTANT NOTE:
On a rare occasion the memory data may be lost or corrupted due to static electricity, electrical noise or erroneous operation. Parts changes or repairs may cause memory loss. Be sure to write down or record your data so you will be able to restore it.
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### MEMORY GROUPS

Memory channels may be organized into as many as 10 convenient groups, for easy identification and selection. For example, you might want to set aside memory groups for AM BC stations, shortwave broadcast stations, contest frequencies, repeater frequencies, and PMS limits, or any other groupings you like.

Each memory group is capable of holding up to 50 memory channels (the Group size is fixed). When a memory channel is grouped, the channel numbers change to correspond to the chart below:

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### Memory Group Assignment:

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “MEM GRP”.
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON”.
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

To cancel Memory Group operation, repeat above steps, choosing “OFF” in step 10.
MEMORY OPERATION

REGULAR MEMORY OPERATION
The Regular Memory of the FT-450 allows storage and recall of up to 500 memories, each storing frequency, mode, and a wide variety of status information detailed previously. Memories may be organized into as many as ten Memory Groups, and additionally you get two pairs of band-limit (PMS) memories along with one QMB (Quick Memory Bank) memory and two Home channels.

Memory Storage
1. In the VFO mode, select the desired frequency, mode, and status the way you want to have it stored.
2. Press the [F] button followed by the [MW/V/M] button.
   The blinking current memory channel number will be shown on the display, and the contents of the current memory channel will be shown on the display.
   If there is no action by you within 10 second from releasing the [MW/V/M] button the Memory Storage procedure is canceled.
   The memory storage procedure is canceled unless you operate it within 10 seconds.
3. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the memory channel in which you wish to store the data. If you have selected a channel on which data is already stored, that frequency will appear on the display.
4. Press the [MW/V/M] button momentarily to store the frequency and other data into the selected memory channel. A beep will confirm that you have held the [MW/V/M] button.
   You may overwrite new data into a channel on which data is already stored.

Memory Channel Recall
1. Press the [MW/V/M] button, if necessary, to enter the Memory mode. A memory channel number will appear in the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired memory channel.
   Advice: To work within a particular Memory Group, press the [DSP/SEL] button. Then rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired Memory Group. Now press the [DSP/SEL] button again. You may now choose the memory channel within the selected Memory Group.
Erasing Memory Channel Data

1. Press the [MW/V/M] button, if necessary, to enter the Memory mode.
2. Press the [F] button followed by the [MW/V/M] button.
   The blinking current memory channel number will be shown on the display, and the contents of the current memory channel will be shown on the display.
3. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the memory channel that you would like to erase.
4. Press the [CLAR] button to erase the contents of the selected memory channel.
5. Press the [MW/V/M] button momentarily to erase the selected memory channel. The display will revert to memory channel 1.

Advice:
After erasure, only the memory channel number will remain. The frequency data will disappear from the display.
If you make a mistake and wish to restore the memory's contents, just repeat above steps.

Memory Tune Operation
You may freely tune off of any memory channel in the “Memory Tune” mode, this is similar to VFO operation. So long as you do not over-write the contents of the current memory, Memory Tune operation will not alter the contents of the memory channel.

1. Press the [MW/V/M] button, if necessary, to enter the Memory mode.
2. Rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob. You will now observe that the memory channel’s frequency is changing.
   The “M-TUNE” notation will replace the Memory Channel Number, indicating you are in the “Memory Tune” mode.
   During Memory Tune operation, you may change operating modes, and engage and offset the Clarifier, if desired.
3. Press the [MW/V/M] button momentarily to return to the originally-memorized frequency of the current memory channel. One more press of the [MW/V/M] button will return you to VFO operation.
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REGULAR MEMORY OPERATION

Labeling Memories

You may wish to append an Alphanumeric “Tag” (label) to a memory or memories, to aid in recollection of the channel’s use (such as a club name, etc.). This is easily accomplished using the Menu mode.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Recall the memory channel that you wish to append a label.
8. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
9. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “MEM TAG”.
10. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MEM TAG” icon will blink, and “MEM TAG” will be replaced with “TAG-OFF”.
11. Press the [F] button to display the previously stored label (in the factory default, all memory channels are stored with the memory channel number as the label).
12. Rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob to select the first digit of the desired label.
13. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob one step clockwise to move to the next character.
14. Repeat steps 12 and 13 to program the remaining letters, numbers, or symbols of the desired label. Seven characters may be used in the creation of a label.
15. If you make a mistake, rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob counter-clockwise to move back the cursor, then re-enter the correct letter, number, or symbol. You may press the [CLAR] button to clear the current digit label.
16. When you have completed the creation of the label, press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The “MENU” icon returns to appear continuously.
17. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

In Memory mode operation, the display indicates the channel numbers while selecting the memory channels, then the display will switch to the Alphanumeric “Tag” (label) after two seconds.
To disable the Alphanumeric “Tag” (label) display.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Recall the memory channel that you wish to disable the Alphanumeric “Tag” (label).
8. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
9. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “MEM TAG”.
10. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will blink and the “MEM TAG” notation will be replaced with the Alphanumeric “Tag” (label).
11. Press the [F] button. The “MENU” icon returns to appear continuously and the Alphanumeric “Tag” (label) will be replaced with the “TAG-OFF” notation.
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
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HOME CHANNEL MEMORIES

Two one-touch "Home" channels are available, for special frequencies you use often.

The HF band Special "Home" channel default is 29.300 MHz, FM. The 50 MHz band "Home" channel default is 51.000 MHz, FM.

Home Channel Recall

1. Press the \[F\] button, followed by the \[HOME/RCL\] button to recall the Home Channel on the band group where you currently are operating (HF or 50 MHz). The “HOME” notation appears in the display.

2. Press the \[F\] button, followed by the \[HOME/RCL\] button to return to the previous-used frequency (either a VFO or a memory channel).

The transceiver switches to VFO mode if either the [DSP/SEL] knob or [MAIN DIAL] knob is turned. (In AM/FM modes the menu item “A&DIAL” should be set to “ON” for the [MAIN DIAL] to be active).

Home Channel Frequency Change

The factory default for the Home Channel is 29.300 MHz, FM for HF band and 51.000 MHz, FM for 50 MHz band. You can re-program the Home Channel in a manner identical to that used for the regular memories:

1. In the VFO mode, select the desired frequency, mode, and status the way you want to have it stored.

2. Press the \[F\] button followed by the \[MW/V/M\] button.

The blinking current memory channel number will be shown on the display, and the contents of the current memory channel will be shown on the display.

If there is no action by you within 10 second from releasing the \[MW/V/M\] button the Memory Storage procedure is canceled.

The memory storage procedure is canceled unless you operate it within 10 seconds

3. Press the \[HOME/RCL\] button momentarily to store the frequency and other data into the Home Channel. A double beep will confirm that you have held the \[HOME/RCL\] button in long enough.
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QMB (QUICK MEMORY BANK)

The Quick Memory Bank is independent from the regular and PMS memories. You can quickly store operating parameters for later recall.

Storage
1. Tune to the desired frequency on the VFO mode.
2. Press the [VOX/STO] button momentarily. The “beep” will confirm that the contents of the VFO have been written to the QMB memory.

Recall
1. Press the [HOME/RCL] button. The QMB channel’s data will be shown on the display.
2. Press the [HOME/RCL] button to return to the previous-used frequency (either a VFO or a memory channel).

Advice:
Rotating the [MAIN DIAL] knob, or changing the operating mode, will place the transceiver in the “Memory Tune” mode (The “QMB” notation will replace the “MT-QMB” in the display), which is a temporary “pseudo-VFO” method of tuning off of a stored memory channel. If you do not over-write the contents of the current memory channel, the original contents will not be disturbed by the initiation of Memory Tune operation. Press the [HOME/RCL] button to return original QMB frequency and/or operating mode.
You may scan either the VFO or the memories of the FT-450, and the radio will halt the scan on any station with a signal strong enough to open the receiver’s squelch.

### VFO and Memory Scanning

**Preparation**
When operating the Scanning feature, set the configuration of the [SQL/RF GAIN] knob to “Squelch” via the Menu Item “SQL/RFG”.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “SQL/RFG”.
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “SQL” to assign the Squelch feature to the [SQL/RF GAIN] knob.
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
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VFO and Memory Scanning

VFO/ Memory Scan

1. Rotate the [SQL/RF GAIN] knob just to the point where the noise is silenced and the “BUSY” indicator on the display turns off.

2. Press the [PMS/SCAN] key to initiate upward scanning (toward higher frequencies or higher memory channel numbers).

3. If you want to change direction of the scan while it is underway, rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob one click in the opposite direction (in this case, one click counter-clockwise). You will see the scanner reverse direction and scan down in frequency.

   You may change the direction of the scanner by pressing and holding the microphone’s [UP]/[DWN] key for one second, if you are using the optional MH-31A8J Hand Microphone or MD-100A8X Desktop Microphone.

4. In FM/AM mode, when the scanner encounters a signal strong enough to open the squelch, the scanner will halt for five seconds, after which scanning will resume.

   In the SSB/CW and SSB-based Data modes, when the scanner encounters a signal strong enough to open the squelch, the scanner will step across the signal very slowly, giving you time to stop the scan, if you like.

5. To stop the scanner, press the [PMS/SCAN] button or PTT switch.

Advice:

You may select the manner in which the scanner resumes while it has paused on a signal, using Menu Item “SCN RES” The default “5Sec” setting will cause the scanner to resume scanning after five seconds; you may change it, however, to resume only after the carrier has dropped out, if you like See page 83.

During Memory Group operation, only the channels within the current Memory Group will be scanned.
PROGRAMMABLE MEMORY SCANNING (PMS)

To limit scanning (and manual tuning) within a particular frequency range, you can use the Programmable Memory Scanning (PMS) feature, which utilizes two special-purpose memory pairs ("MEM-P1L/MEM-P1U" and "MEM-P2L/MEM-P2U"). The PMS feature is especially useful in helping you to observe any operating sub-band limits, which apply to your Amateur license class.

1. Store the Lower and Upper tuning/scanning limit frequencies into the memory pair "MEM-P1L" and "MEM-P1U", respectively, or "MEM-P2L" and "MEM-P2U". See page 58 for details regarding memory storage.
2. Press the [F] button, followed by the [PMS/SCAN] button.
3. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "PMS-1" "PMS-2" or "PMS1+2".
   - PMS-1: The scanner will be limited within the frequency range programmed in the memory pair "MEM-P1L/MEM-P1U".
   - PMS-2: The scanner will be limited within the frequency range programmed in the memory pair "MEM-P2L/MEM-P2U".
   - PMS-1+2: The scanner will be limited within the frequency ranges programmed by both memory pairs ("MEM-P1L/MEM-P1U" and "MEM-P2L/MEM-P2U"). If a memory pair is vacant, the PMS-1+2 selection is not available.
4. Press the [PMS/SCAN] button.
5. Rotate the [SQL/RF GAIN] knob just to the point where the noise is silenced and the "BUSY" indicator on the display turns off.
6. Press the [PMS/SCAN] key to initiate upward scanning (toward higher frequencies or higher memory channel numbers).
7. If you want to change direction of the scan while it is underway, rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob one click in the opposite direction (in this case, one click counter-clockwise). You will see the scanner reverse direction and scan down in frequency.
   You may choose the direction of the scanner by pressing and holding the microphone’s [UP]/[DWN] key for one second, if you are using the optional MH-31A8J Hand Microphone or MD-100A8X Desktop Microphone.
8. In FM/AM mode, when the scanner encounters a signal strong enough to open the squelch, the scanner will halt for five seconds, after which scanning will resume.
   In the SSB/CW and SSB-based Data modes, when the scanner encounters a signal strong enough to open the squelch, the scanner will step across the signal very slowly, giving you time to stop the scan, if you like.

ADVICE
You may select the manner in which the scanner resumes while it has paused on a signal, using Menu Item "SCN RES". The default "SSec" setting will cause the scanner to resume scanning after five seconds; you may change it, however, to resume only after the carrier has dropped out, if you like. See page 83.
**Operation on Alaska Emergency Frequency: 5167.5 kHz (U.S. Version Only)**

Section 97.401(d) of the regulations governing amateur radio in the United States permit emergency amateur communications on the spot frequency of 5167.5 kHz by stations in (or within 92.6 km of) the state of Alaska. This frequency is only to be used when the immediate safety of human life and/or property are threatened, and is never to be used for routine communications.

The FT-450 includes the capability for transmission and reception on 5167.5 kHz under such emergency conditions.

**Preparation**

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "EXT MNU".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "ON" to expand the menu items.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "EMERGEN".
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "ON".
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

**Operation**

1. Press the [MW/V/M] button, if necessary, to enter the Memory mode. A memory channel number will appear in display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the emergency channel ("MEM-EMG"), which is found between channels "MEM-P2U" and "US5-001." If you partitioned your memory channels into Memory Groups via Menu Item "MEM GRP", then select the memory channel group "M-12-EM" which is the emergency channel.
3. To exit from emergency channel and return to the VFO mode, just press the [MW/V/M] button.

**Note:**
- The receive-mode CLARIFIER functions normally while using this frequency, but variation of the transmit frequency is not possible. Activation of "MEM-EMG" or "M-12-EM" does not enable any other out-of-amateur-band capability on the transceiver. The full specifications of the FT-450 are not necessarily guaranteed on this frequency, but power output and receiver sensitivity should be fully satisfactory for the purpose of emergency communication.
- In an emergency, note that a half-wave dipole cut for this frequency should be approximately 45°3" on each leg (90°6" total length). Emergency operation on 5167.5 kHz is shared with the Alaska-Fixed Service. This transceiver is not authorized for operation, under the FCC's Part 87, for aeronautical communications.
MISCELLANEOUS SETTINGS

DISPLAY SETTINGS

Display Dimmer
You may adjust the brightness level with the five steps.

1. Press the [F] button, followed by the [METER/DIM] button to enable adjustment of display dimmer.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select a comfortable brightness level (0 - 4).
3. Press the [METER/DIM] button to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

Display Contrast Level
You may also adjust the contrast level with the 24 steps.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "CONT".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select a desired contrast level (1 - 24). You may press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the contrast level to the factory default.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
**Beep Volume**

You may adjust the beep volume level via the Menu Item “BEEPVOL”.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The “MENU” icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “BEEPVOL”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The “MENU” icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to set the desired beep volume level (FIX 0 – FIX 100).

**WARNING!** Do not adjust the beep volume too high. You may press the [METER/DIM] button to sound a beep as you adjust the [DSP/SEL] knob. If you wish to adjust the beep volume level in accordance with the [AF GAIN] knob, press the [F] key to change the display to “LNK-XX” then rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to set the volume ratio of the beep volume level for the receiving audio volume level. Available selections are “LNK-50” ~ “LNK 0” ~ “LNK+50”. When the “LNK 0” is selected, the beep volume level is the same as receiving audio volume level.

You may press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the beep volume level to the factory default.

6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
Beep Tone
You may adjust the beep tone to your desired tone via the Menu Item "BEEPTON".

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "EXT MNU".
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select "ON" to expand the menu items.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item "BEEPTON".
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired tone. Available selections are 440/880/1760 Hz, factory default: 880 Hz). You may press the [METER/DIM] button to sound a beep as you adjust the [DSP/SEL] knob.
    You may press the [HOME/RCL] button to reset the beep tone level to the factory default.
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
The “Automatic Power-Off” (APO) feature will turn the radio completely off after a user-defined period of PTT or key/button inactivity. If you do not press any front panel keys or buttons, rotate the [MAIN DIAL] knob, use the microphone’s keys and buttons, or transmit, and so long as the transceiver is not scanning or engaged in priority monitoring, the radio will shut itself off after the specified time period. The available selections for the time before power-off are 1 - 12 hours (1 hour step), as well as APO Off. This feature is useful in minimizing battery drain in a mobile installation if you forget to turn the transceiver off.

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “EXT MNU”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select “ON” to expand the menu items.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The "MENU" icon returns to appear continuously.
6. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.
7. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu mode again. The "MENU" icon will appear on the display.
8. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the menu item “APO”.
9. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable adjustment of this menu item. The "MENU" icon will be blinking.
10. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select desired “Switch-off” time or “off.”
   You may press [HOME/RCL] button to reset the beep volume level to the factory default.
12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and return to normal operation.

If there is no action by you within the time interval programmed, the “APO” notation will blink on the display and an alert bell will provide an audible warning from the speaker within one minute of the APO timer expiration, then the microprocessor will shut down the radio automatically.
RTTY (Radio Teletype) Operation

Most RTTY operation today is accomplished using a TNC or other computer-based system that utilizes AFSK tones. For RTTY operation using a Terminal Unit (TU) or the “FSK” output from a TNC, please see the discussion below. See also the illustration for details regarding connection to your TU.

Setting Up for RTTY Operation

Before commencing RTTY operation, please direct your attention to the setup steps shown in the chart to the right.

Basic Setup

1. Press the [MODE▼][MODE▲] buttons several times to indicate both the “DATA” and “LSB” icons on the display. Engage the RTTY operation using “LSB” injection, which is generally used in the Amateur service.

2. When you begin typing on your TU or computer keyboard, the command to transmit should automatically be sent to the transceiver, causing it to enter the transmit mode.

Note: If you anticipate making data transmissions of longer than a few minutes, we recommend that you reduce the transmitter power to 1/2 ~ 1/3 of its normal maximum via Menu Item “RFPOWER”.

Quick-Points:
In the FT-450, “RTTY” is a mode defined as being an “FSK” mode, whereby the closing and opening of a keying line (to ground) causes the Mark/Space tones to alternate. The RTTY mode is not an AFSK based mode in this transceiver, and the AFSK output tones from a TNC will not cause Mark/Space shifting to occur. Use the “Packet” mode for AFSK-based Baudot and other data modes.

Advice:
- There is no adjustment of the FSK input level (FSK IN of the DATA jack) on the rear panel; please make any needed level adjustments at the TU side.
- The Mark/Space Shift utilized in most Amateur RTTY operation is 170 Hz. Other shifts may be configured, however, using Menu Item “RTY SFT”. The FT-450 is set up for “high tone” operation (centered on 2125 Hz) by default, but you may configure it for low tone (1275 Hz) operation using Menu Item “RTY TON”.
- You may find that you are unable to decode some RTTY stations, even if they are of sufficient signal strength. If this is observed, there may be a Mark/Space polarity problem between your station and the other station. If so, try setting Menu Item “RTYRPOL” to “REV” (“Reverse”) to see if that permits copy. A separate Menu Item permits reversal of your transmitter’s Mark/Space polarity: “RTYYTPOL”.

Menu Item

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Packet Operation

Packet operation is easily accomplished on the FT-450 by connecting your TNC (Terminal Node Controller) to the transceiver, per the illustration.

Packet Setup (Including Subcarrier Frequency)

Before operation can commence, change Menu Item "D TYPE" setting to "USER-L" (for LSB-Based Packet Operation) or "USER-U" (for USB-Based Packet Operation), to configure your radio for the data mode to be used.

Basic Setup

1. Press the [MODE▼][MODE▲] buttons several times to indicate both the "DATA" and "USB" icons (for LSB-Based Packet) or the "DATA" and "USB" icons (for USB-Based Packet) on the display. Engage the Packet operation.

2. When the "transmit" command is received from the TNC, the transmitter of the FT-450 will automatically be engaged. Likewise, the command to return to receive will cause the radio to revert to the receive mode.

Advice:
- There is no adjustment of the DATA input level and DATA output level of the DATA jack on the rear panel; please make any needed level adjustments at the TU side.
- During Packet operation via the rear panel's DATA jack, the front panel MIC jack is cut off, so you won't have a "live microphone" problem during data operation.

Quick Point:
- DATA Jack Specifications
  - DATA IN
    Input Level: 60 mVp-p
    Input Impedance: 600 Ohms
  - DATA OUT
    Fixed level, does not respond to setting of [AF GAIN] or [SQL/RF GAIN] knob.
    Output Level: 500 mVp-p
    Output Impedance: 600 Ohms
**MISCELLANEOUS AFSK-BASED DATA MODES**

The FT-450 may also be used for a host of other SSB-based Data modes. Please set up your system using the illustration as a guideline.

**Quick Point:**
When you have configured Menu Item “DIG VOX” to select the desired VOX Gain level (1 - 100), the transceiver will operate in a “VOX” mode, and it is not necessary to connect a PTT line. This makes for very convenient interfacing to computer Sound Cards, etc.
**MENU MODE**

The Menu system permits extensive customization of the FT-450. You can set up your transceiver to operate just the way you want. The Menu’s 62 items are grouped into generally used categories from “EXT MNU” to “VOXGAIN”. The Menu Mode may be set to display all 62 items or the abbreviated set of 16 most often used items.

### USING THE MENU

1. Press and hold in the [F] button for one second. The Menu Item and a title for the Menu Mode will appear in the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired Menu Item.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to change the value or condition for the Menu Item. The “MENU” icon will blink in the display.
5. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob. The “MENU” icon will appear in the display.
6. Now, hold in the [F] button for one second to save the new setting and exit to normal operation.

### Menu Mode Reset

You may reset all the Menu settings to their original factory defaults.

1. Turn the front panel [POWER] Button off.
2. While holding in [F] button, press the [POWER] Button to turn the transceiver on.

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**EXT MNU (EXTENSION MENU)**

**Function:** Enables / Disables the extended Menu Mode

**Available Values:** ON / OFF

**Default:** OFF

OFF: The menu will only display the 16 most often used items.

ON: All 62 menu mode items will be displayed.

**A&FDIAL (AM&FM DIAL)**

**Function:** Enables or disables the [MAIN DIAL] knob in the AM and FM modes.

**Available Values:** ENABLE / DISABLE

**Default:** DISABLE

ENABLE: The frequency can be set with the [MAIN DIAL] knob even in the AM/FM mode.

DISABLE: The [MAIN DIAL] knob does not change the frequency in the AM / FM mode.

**APO (APO TIME)**

**Function:** OFF / 1~12 (h)

**Available Values:** ON / OFF

**Default:** OFF

Selects the Auto Power Off time (time before power goes off).

**BCN TIM (BEACON TIME)**

**Function:** Selects the interval time (between message and message)

**Available Values:** OFF/1~255 (sec)

**Default:** OFF

**BCN TXT (BEACON TEXT)**

**Function:** Stores the message for the Beacon. Up to 118 characters may be stored.

Please refer to page 50 for storage procedure.

**BEEPTON (BEEP TONE)**

**Function:** Selects the beep frequency.

**Available Values:** 440 / 880 / 1760 (Hz)

**Default:** 880 (Hz)

**BEEPVOL**

**Function:** Selects the beep volume level.

**Available Values:** FIX0 ~ FIX100 or LNK-50 ~ LNK 0 ~ LNK+50

**Default:** FIX10 or LNK-8

**CAT RTS**

**Function:** Enables / Disables the RTS port of the CAT jack.

**Available Values:** DISABLE/ENABLE

**Default:** ENABLE

**CAT TOT (CAT TIME OUT TIME)**

**Function:** Sets the Time-Out Timer countdown time for a CAT command input.

**Available Values:** 10 / 100 /1000 / 3000 (mS)

**Default:** 10

The Time-Out Timer shuts off the CAT data input after a continuous transmission of the programmed time.

**CATRATE**

**Function:** Sets the transceiver circuitry for the CAT baud rate to be used.

**Available Values:** 4800/9600/38400 (bps)/DATA

**Default:** 4800

The CAT baud rate is set for the transceiver. Setting “CATRATE” to “DATA” will enable RTTY operation from the CAT jack. The interconnection for RTTY operation is shown below.
**CLAR (CLAR DIAL/SEL)**
Function: Setting of CLAR switch
Available Values: DIAL / SEL
Default: DIAL.
Defines which Control knob is used for setting the clarifier-offset frequency.

**CLK SFT (CLOCK SHIFT)**
Function: Shifting of CPU clock frequency
Available Values: ON / OFF
Default: OFF
This function is only used to move a spurious response "birdie," should it fall on a desired frequency.

**CONT (DISP CONTRAST)**
Function: Display contrast adjustment
Available Values: 1~24
Default: 24
The display contrast level is set 1-13.

**CW AUTO (CW AUTO MODE)**
Function: Enables the KEY jack, to permit CW operation while in SSB modes.
Available Values: OFF / ON
Default: OFF
OFF: The KEY jack is enabled in CW mode only.
ON: The KEY jack is enabled on all modes (SSB mode: A1A). Thus, on SSB, you can ask a station for a CW QSO without having to change your FT-450's Mode selection, if Menu "CW AUTO" is set to "ON."

**CW BFO**
Function: Sets the CW carrier oscillator injection side in CW mode
Available Values: USB / LSB / AUTO
Default: USB
USB: Injects the CW carrier oscillator on the USB side
LSB: Injects the CW carrier oscillator on the LSB side
AUTO: Injects the CW carrier oscillator on the LSB side while operating on the 7 MHz band and below, USB side while operating on the 10 MHz band and up.

**CW DLY (CW DELAY)**
Function: Sets the receiver recovery time during pseudo-VOX CW semi-break-in operation.
Available Values: FULL / 30~3000ms
Default: 250
The recovery time may be adjusted in steps of 10 msec. A longer delay may be preferable if you pause frequently while sending.

**CW KEY (CW KEY REV)**
Function: Sets the keyer paddle's wiring configuration.
Available Values: NOR / REV
Default: NOR
The polarity can be reversed in the menu without changing the connection of the keyer when there is a left-handed operator or, two or more people.
NOR(NORMAL): Keyer paddle polarity is normal.
   The plug "Tip" connection produces dots, and the plug "ring" connection produces dashes.
REV(REVERSE): Keyer paddle polarity is inverted.
   The plug "Tip" connection produces dashes, and the "Ring" connection produces dots.

**CW QSK**
Function: Selects the time delay between when the key is closed and the carrier is transmitted during QSK operation when using the internal keyer.
Available Values: 15 / 20 / 25 / 30 (ms)
Default: 15 (ms)

**CWPADDL (CW PADDLE)**
Function: When enabled, the Optional microphone’s (MH-31A8J) [UP]/[DWN] keys may be used for CW keying.
Available Values: KEY / MIC
Default: KEY
KEY: The key connected to KEY Jack is selected.
MIC: When this Menu Item is set to "MIC," the Optional (MH-31A8J) microphone’s [UP]/[DWN] keys may be used for CW keying. (while the built-in electronic keyer is engaged).

**CWPITCH**
Function: Sets the pitch of the CW sidetone, (BFO offset) and the CW filter center frequencies.
Available Values: 400 / 500 / 600 / 700 / 800 (Hz)
Default: 700
The CW pitch may be adjusted in steps of 100 Hz.
CWSPEED
Function: Sets the sending speed for the built-in Electronic keyer.
Available Values: 4 wpm(20cpm)~60wpm(300cpm)
Default: 12wpm (60cpm)
You can set the sending speed in either: wpm (words per minute), or cpm (characters per minute).
To switch between “Wpm” and “cpm”, just press the [F] button.
Note:
If the CW QSK is set to 25ms, the setting of CW SPEED must not exceed 50wpm (250cpm); And if the CW QSK is set to 30ms, the setting of CW SPEED must not exceed 42wpm (210cpm). The delay will make it impossible to transmit.

CWSTONE (CW SIDE TONE)
Function: Sets the CW sidetone volume level.
Available Values: FIX0 ~ FIX100 or LNK-50 ~ LNK 0 ~ LNK+50
Default: FIX10 or LNK-8

CWTRAIN (CW TRAINING)
Function: Setting of CW training function
Available Values: N: / A: / M:
Default: N:
Sends random Morse Code five-character groups via the sidetone.
N: Numeric characters only
A: Alphabet characters only
M: Numeric and Alphabet characters (Mixed)

CWWIGHT (CW WEIGHT)
Function: Sets the CW weight level.
Available Values: 1/2.5~1/4.5
Default: 1/3.0
Sets the Dot/Dash ratio for the built-in electronic keyer.

DIALSTP (DIAL STEP)
Function: Sets the DIAL knob's tuning speed.
Available Values: SSB/CW: 1 / 10 / 20 (Hz) AM/FM: 100 / 200 (Hz)
Default: SSB/CW: 10 (Hz), AM/FM: 100 (Hz)
The width of the step of the [MAIN DIAL] knob can be set for each mode.

DIG VOX
Function: Sets the gain of the VOX circuitry input level for the DIG mode.
Available Values: OFF / 1~100
Default: OFF

EMERGEN (EMERGENCY)
Function: Enables Tx/Rx operation on the Alaska Emergency Channel, 5167.5 kHz.
Available Values: ON/OFF
Default: OFF
When this Menu Item is set to “ON,” the spot frequency of 5167.5 kHz will be enabled. To get to this frequency, use the [DSP/SEL] knob to navigate. The Alaska Emergency Channel will be found between the Memory channel “US5-001” and “MEM-500.”
Note:
Use of this frequency is restricted to amateurs operating in (or within 92.6 km of) the U.S. State of Alaska, and it is to be used for emergency communications only (involving the immediate protection of life or property).

KEYHOLD (KEY HOLD TIME)
Function: Sets the hold time for a push switch to activate.
Available Values: 0.5 / 1.0 / 1.5 / 2.0
Default: 1.0

DIALSTP (DIAL STEP)
Function: Sets the DIAL knob's tuning speed.
Available Values: SSB/CW: 1 / 10 / 20 (Hz) AM/FM: 100 / 200 (Hz)
Default: SSB/CW: 10 (Hz), AM/FM: 100 (Hz)
The width of the step of the [MAIN DIAL] knob can be set for each mode.

DIG VOX
Function: Sets the gain of the VOX circuitry input level for the DIG mode.
Available Values: OFF / 1~100
Default: OFF

EMERGEN (EMERGENCY)
Function: Enables Tx/Rx operation on the Alaska Emergency Channel, 5167.5 kHz.
Available Values: ON/OFF
Default: OFF
When this Menu Item is set to “ON,” the spot frequency of 5167.5 kHz will be enabled. To get to this frequency, use the [DSP/SEL] knob to navigate. The Alaska Emergency Channel will be found between the Memory channel “US5-001” and “MEM-500.”
Note:
Use of this frequency is restricted to amateurs operating in (or within 92.6 km of) the U.S. State of Alaska, and it is to be used for emergency communications only (involving the immediate protection of life or property).

KEYHOLD (KEY HOLD TIME)
Function: Sets the hold time for a push switch to activate.
Available Values: 0.5 / 1.0 / 1.5 / 2.0
Default: 1.0
**LOCKMOD (LOCK MODE)**

**Function:** Sets the keylock for the panel switches and dial

**Available Values:** FREQ / PANEL / ALL

**Default:** FREQ

Selects the operation of the front panel's LOCK key.

FREQ: Locks the front panel keys and knobs related to frequency control.

Front Panel:
- [A=B] switch, [FAST] switch, [BAND] switch,
- [A/B] switch, [MW] switch, [V/M] switch,
- [HOME] switch, [RCL] switch, [STO] switch,
- [SPLIT] switch, [PMS] switch, [SCN] switch,
- [MAIN DIAL] knob, [DSP/SEL] knob (Turns or Pushes).

[C.S] switch:
- QSPL, DWN, FAST, UP

Option:
- MH-31A8/J/MH-36E8/J/MD-100A8/X/MD-200A8/X:
  - [UP] key, [DWN] key, [FAST] key

Panel: Locks all front panel keys and knobs.

- [DSP] switch, [PROC/KEYER] switch,
- [ATT/IPO] switch, [AGC] switch, [MODE] switch,
- [NB] switch, [CLAR] switch, [A=B] switch,
- [FAST] switch, [BAND] switch, [HOME] switch,
- [RCL] switch, [STO] switch, [STEP] switch,
- [SPLIT] switch, [MW] switch, [V/M] switch,
- [PMS] switch, [SCAN] switch, [MAIN DIAL] knob,
- [DSP/SEL] knob (Turns or Pushes), [METER] switch

**M-GRP (MEMORY GROUP)**

**Function:** Enables/disables the memory grouping feature.

**Available Values:** ON / OFF

**Default:** OFF

When this Menu Item is set to “ON,” the 500 “standard” memory channels are partitioned into ten Memory Groups, each holding up to 50 memory channels.

**MEM TAG**

**Function:** Stores Alpha-Numeric “Tags” for the memory channels.

See page 60 for information on setting the “Memory Tags”.

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**Reference Pages:**
- Page 60 for information on setting the “Memory Tags”.

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**MIC EQ**
Function: Setting of the DSP microphone equalizer  
Available Values: 0 ~ 9  
Default: 0
You may select one of ten available DSP equalization techniques for transmitted microphone audio.
1: Low-frequency component is decreased.
2: Mid-frequency component is decreased.
3: High-frequency component is decreased.
4: High-frequency component is enhanced.
5: Mid-frequency component is enhanced.
6: Low-frequency component is enhanced.
7: Low-frequency component is enhanced and High-frequency component is decreased.
8: Low-frequency component is decreased and Mid-frequency component is enhanced.
9: Low-frequency component is decreased and High-frequency component is enhanced.

**MIC GAIN**
Function: Setting of the MIC gain  
Available Values: LOW / NOR / HIGH  
Default: NOR
Adjusts the microphone gain level for SSB/AM/FM.
LOW: When the microphone input is high the speech processor is turned off automatically.
NOR: For normal voice the speech processor is turned on automatically.
HIGH: When the microphone input is low the speech processor is turned on automatically.

**MIC SCAN (MIC AUTO SCAN)**
Function: “ON/OFF” of microphone scanning function  
Available Values: ON/OFF  
Default: ON
Enables/disables scanning access via the microphone’s [UP]/[DWN] keys.
OFF: The frequency or the memory channel is scanned only while [UP]/[DWN] button is being pushed. The scanning stops when [UP]/[DWN] button is released.
ON: When [UP]/[DWN] button is held for about 1.0 second, the scanning continues even after the button is released.

**MY BAND**
Function: Setting of the my band  
Available Values: ON/OFF  
Default: ON
The “My Bands” feature allows you to select several Amateur bands, and make only those bands available for selection via the [BAND▼]/[BAND►] buttons.
ON: Only the bands that are turned on will be shown when pushing the [BAND▼]/[BAND►] switch.
OFF: A Band that is turned off will not appear when the [BAND▼]/[BAND►] switch is pushed.

**MY MODE**
Function: Setting of my mode  
Available Values: ON/OFF  
Default: ON
The “My Mode” feature allows you to select an operating mode, and set whether or not the mode will be displayed or skipped when the [MODE▼]/[MODE►] buttons are pressed.
This feature can be very useful in HF operation, when the AM/FM/DATA modes are not used.
ON: Only the mode registered by turning on can be selected by pushing [MODE▼]/[MODE►] switch.
OFF: A mode that is turned off will not be appear when pressing the [MODE▼]/[MODE►] switch.

**P M-DWN (MIC-DWN PG)**
Function: One of 52 functions can be preset and assigned to the [DWN] key of the microphone.  
Available Values: Please see page 16.
Default: DOWN
Presets of various functions can be assigned to the DOWN key of the microphone using this option.

**P M-FST (MIC-FAST PG)**
Function: One of 52 functions can be preset and assigned to the [FST] key of the microphone.  
Available Values: Please see page 16.
Default: N/A
Presets of various functions can be assigned to the [FST] key of the microphone using this option.
P M-UP (MIC-UP PG)
Function: One of 52 functions can be preset and assigned to the [UP] key of the microphone.
Available Values: Please see page 16.
Default: UP
Presets of various functions can be assigned to the [UP] key of the microphone using this option.

PEAKHLD (METER PEAK HOLD)
Function: Peak hold setting of S meter.
Available Values: ON/OFF
Default: ON
When this function is set on the peak S meter reading is held for 0.5 seconds to improve readability.

PNL-C.S
Function: One of 53 functions can be preset and assigned to the [VOICE/C.S] key.
Available Values: Please see page 16.
Default: VCC
Presets of various functions can be assigned to the [VOICE/C.S] key using this option.
Please see page 16 for a detailed explanation.

QSPL F (QUICK SPLIT FREQ)
Function: offsets the transmit frequency.
Available Values: -20 ~ 0 ~ +20 (kHz) in 1kHz increments
Default: +5
The Quick Split feature allows you to set a one-touch offset to be applied to your radio’s transmit frequency compared to the receiving frequency. Also, the transmit mode is set to the same mode as the receive frequency (See page 41).

RFPOWER (RF PWR SET)
Function: Sets the maximums transmit power level for the current band.
Available Values: 5 ~ 100 (W)
Default: 100 (W)

RPT (REPEATER SHIFT DIRECTION)
Function: Sets the Repeater shift Direction
Available Values: -SHIFT / SIMPLEX / +SHIFT
Default: SIMPLEX

RTY SFT (RTTY-SHIFT)
Function: Selects the frequency shift for FSK RTTY operation.
Available Values: 170 / 200 / 425 / 850 (Hz)
Default: 170

RTY TON (RTTY-TONE)
Function: Selects the Mark tone for RTTY operation.
Available Values: 1275 / 2125 (Hz)
Default: 2125

RTYRPOL (RTTY-RX-POLARITY)
Function: Selects normal or reverse Mark / Space polarity for RTTY receive operation.
Available Values: NOR/REV
Default: NOR

RTYTPOL (RTTY-TX-POLARITY)
Function: Selects normal or reverse Mark / Space polarity for RTTY transmit operation.
Available Values: NOR /REV
Default: NOR

SCAN RES (SCAN RESUME)
Function: Sets the delay time for scan resume.
Available Values: BUSY / TIME1 ~ 10 (sec)
Default: RIME5 (sec)

SELDIAL (SEL DIAL MODE)
Function: Assigns a second function to DSP/SEL knob that is activated when the DSP/SEL knob is momentarily depressed.
Available Values: CWSTONE / CWSPEED / 100KHZ /1MHZ/MICGAIN / RFPOWER
Default: 100KHZ (100 kHz)
 CWSTONE: CW SIDETONE LEVEL
 CWSPEED: CW KEYER SPEED
 100KHZ: 100KHz Step
 1MHZ: 1MHz Step
 MICGAIN: MIC GAIN SET
 RFPOWER: RF POWER SET

SQL TYP (SQL TYPE)
Function: Selects the Tone Encoder and/or Decoder mode.
Available Values: OFF / ENC / ENC/DEC
Default: OFF
OFF: The function of “SQL knob” that exists in the front panel is selected.
ENC: CTCSS Encoder
ENC/DEC: CTCSS Encoder/Decoder(Tone Squelch)

SQL/RFG (SQL/RF GAIN)
Function: Selects the configuration of the front panel’s SQL/RF knob.
Function: SQL/RF-GAIN
Default: RF-GAIN
**Menu Mode**

**STBY BP (STBY BEEP)**
*Function:* Setting of standby beep  
*Available Values:* OFF / ON  
*Default:* OFF  
OFF: No beep sound is transmitted.  
ON: A beep is transmitted before returning to receive.  

The beep, transmitted when the PTT is released, will inform the other operators that your transmission has ended.

**TONE F (TONE FREQ)**
*Function:* Sets the CTCSS Tone Frequency.  
*Available Values:* 67.0 ~ 254.1 (Hz)  
50 Standard CTCSS tones  
*Default:* 88.5 (Hz)

**TOT (TOT TIME)**
*Function:* Selects the time of the Time-Out-Timer.  
*Available Values:* OFF/1 ~ 20 (min)  
*Default:* OFF

**TUNER (TUNER/ATAS)**
*Function:* Setting of the Auto Antenna and Antenna Tuner  
*Available Values:* ATAS / EXT ATU / INT ATU / INTRATU / F TRANS  
*Default:* INT ATU  

Selects the device (FC-30/-40 or ATAS-100/-120/-120A) controlled by the front panel’s [TUNE] button.  
**ATAS:** The [TUNE] button will activate the optional ATAS-100/-120/-120A on the HF amateur bands and 50 MHz amateur band.  
**EXT ATU:** The [TUNE] button will activate the optional FC-30/-40.  
**INT ATU:** The [TUNE] button will activate the optional ATU-450. The tuner passes only the Transmitter RF.  
**INTRATU:** The [TUNE] button will activate the optional ATU-450. The tuner passes both the Transmitter RF and the Receiver signal.  
**F TRANS:** The frequency data of the radio is sent to another FT-450. This feature is very useful for the “SO2R” (Single Operator, Two Radio) operation. In this case, the interconnection is as follows.

**Operation**
When the [TUNE] button on the Master Transceiver is pressed, the Slave Transceiver frequency becomes the same as the Master Transceiver.

**Important Notice**
Please install an antenna protection circuit so the Master (RX) Transceiver is not damaged when the Slave (TX) Transceiver is transmitting.
**Menu Mode**

**VOX DLY (VOX DELAY)**

**Function:** Sets the "hang time" for the VOX circuitry.

**Available Values:** 100 – 3000 (ms) (100 ms/step)

**Default:** 500 (ms)

In VOX operation, sets the delay time when the transmitter will return to receive after a voice pause. The Delay time can be set while transmitting.

**VOXGAIN**

**Function:** Sets the gain of the VOX circuitry's input audio detector.

**Available Values:** 1 – 100

**Default:** 50

The sensitivity is least at "1", and maximum at "100". The VOX operation sensitivity can be set while transmitting.
**CLONING**

You can transfer all data stored in one transceiver to another set by utilizing the handy “Cloning” feature. This requires a user supplied cloning cable, which connects the CAT jacks on the two transceivers, as shown below.

To clone from one transceiver to another, use the following procedure:

1. Insert the D-SUB 9pin cross cable (User Supplied) into the CAT jack of each transceiver.
2. Turn both transceivers off, then press and hold in the [MODE▼] and [MODE▲] buttons on each radio while turning the power on again. The “cLonE C:S SND” notation will appear on the display.
4. Data will now be transferred to the “Destination” radio from the “Source” radio. When the clone completes successfully, “CLonE SENDING” is displayed on the display.
   - If there is a problem during the cloning process, “Error” will be displayed. Check your cable connections and try again.
5. If cloning is successful, turn the “Destination” radio off, and “cLonE C:S SND” notation will reappear on the “Source” radio.
6. Turn the “Source” radio off.
7. Remove the clone cable. The channel and operating data for both radios are now identical. Both radios may be turned on now for normal operation.
Installation of Optional Accessories

Automatic Antenna Tuner ATU-450 Operation

The ATU-450 Automatic Antenna Tuner responds to control commands from the FT-450 Transceiver, providing microprocessor-based impedance matching on the 160 through 6 meter amateur bands. The impedance matching range is from 16.5 ohms to 150 ohms (up to 3:1 SWR). Accordingly, the ATU-450 should not be expected to match “Long wire” type antennas unless you have taken specific design steps to ensure that the impedance presented to the FT-450 is within this specification.

Important Note
- Please be careful to avoid any short-circuit to any metal object.
- Please install with great care to prevent injuries from sharp corners of metal objects.
- Please practice standard grounding techniques and do not touch semiconductor components unnecessarily to avoid breakage or damage by static electricity etc.

Cable Information
Connect the interconnecting Control Cable from the FT-450. Connect the TMP plug (marked green) from the ATU-450 to J5402 on the MAIN Unit. Connect the other TMP plug (marked gray) from the ATU-450 to J5404 on the MAIN Unit.

Installation
1. Turn off the FT-450’s POWER switch by pressing and holding the [POWER/ON/OFF] switch for one second, and then turn off the External DC Power Supply’s POWER switch.
2. Disconnect the power cable from the ~DC IN Jack on the rear panel, and then disconnect all cables from the FT-450.
3. Remove the two screws from each side and four screws from the top case of the transceiver. Slide the top case upward about 1 inch, then disconnect the speaker plug from the MAIN Unit and remove the top case.
   - Note: Because the speaker cable is connected to the top case, please be careful not to break the speaker cable.
4. Remove the two screws from each side and four screws from the bottom case of the transceiver and then remove the bottom case.
5. The ATU-450 mounting location is on the right side of the bottom chassis. Insert the two coaxial cables from the ATU-450 into this hole.
6. Connect the 6-pin plug from the ATU-450 to the 6-pin Jack.
7. Install the ATU-450 to the chassis while pulling the two coaxial cables thru the chassis.
8. Mount the ATU-450 with the supplied four screws.
   - Note: At the front side of the ATU-450, carefully lift the rubber packing, which is around the transceiver front panel, and install the two front screws. Do not damage the packing or the top case may not close.
INSTALLATION OF OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

AUTOMATIC ANTENNA TUNER ATU-450 Operation

9. Turn the FT-450 over to access the topside. Connect the TMP plug (marked green) from the ATU-450 to J5402 on the MAIN Unit and connect the other TMP plug (marked gray) from the ATU-450 to J5404 on the MAIN Unit. Secure the two coaxial cables with the lead clamper.

10. Replace the Bottom case and Top case with 16 screws.

11. Connect the DC cable to the ~DC IN jack on the rear panel of the FT-450. Turn on the External DC Power Supply’s POWER switch, and then turn on the FT-450’s POWER by pressing and holding the [POWER (ON/OFF)] switch for one second.

16. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to save the new setting.

17. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to return to normal operation.

The installation and antenna tuner setting is now completed.

Operation

1. Press the [TUNE] button briefly to activate the Automatic Antenna Tuner. The "TUNER" icon will appear in the display. If the transceiver frequency is out of the amateur band, the "TUNER" icon will not appear.

2. Press and hold the [TUNE] button for one second to begin automatic tuning. The transmitter will be engaged, and the "TUNER" icon will blink while tuning is in progress.

3. Tuning will stop automatically when a low SWR is achieved. You may Press and hold the [TUNE] button for one second while tuning is in progress, to cancel the automatic tuning.

4. To disable the Automatic Antenna Tuner, press the [TUNE] button briefly again.

12. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu Mode. The "MENU" icon will appear in the display.

13. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the Menu item "TUNER".

14. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable this selected Menu item.

15. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the desired ATU mode.

   INT ATU: Passes only the transmitted signal through the ATU-450.

   INTRATU: Passes both transmit and receive signals through the ATU-450.
INSTALLATION OF OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

AUTOMATIC ANTENNA TUNER ATU-450 OPERATION

**Notes**

- The ATU-450 and ATAS-120A Active Tuning Antenna System cannot be connected at the same time.
- The carrier signal transmits continuously while tuning is in progress. Please check the operating frequency before beginning the tuning process. Be sure you are not interfering with others who may already be using the frequency.
- It is normal to hear the sound of the relays while tuning is in progress.
- If the ATU-450 does not tune (the "Ω" icon does not blink) even though you have pressed the [TUNE] switch within the amateur band, it may be because the antenna or its coaxial cable have a serious problem (very high or low impedance due to an "Open" or "short" circuit condition. Please check the antenna and coaxial cable if this happens.
- The ATU-450 only adjusts the impedance presented to the transceiver at the station end of your coaxial cable feed line. It does not "tune" the SWR at the antenna feed point itself. When designing and building your antenna system, we recommended that every effort be made to ensure a low SWR at the antenna feed point.
- Do not connect an antenna or feed cable that is not designed for 50-ohm impedance.
- The impedance matching range of the ATU-450 is from 16.5 ohms to 150 ohms (up to 3:1 SWR). Accordingly, the ATU-450 should not be expected to match "long wire" type antennas unless you have taken specific design steps to ensure that the impedance presented to the FT-450 is within this specification.
INSTALLATION OF OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

AUTOMATIC ANTENNA TUNER FC-30 OPERATION

The FC-30 Automatic Antenna Tuner responds to control commands from the FT-450 Transceiver, providing microprocessor-based impedance matching on the 160 through 6 meter Amateur bands. On the HF and 50 MHz bands, the impedance matching range is from 16.5 ohms to 150 ohms (up to 3:1 SWR). Accordingly, the FC-30 should not be expected to match “Long wire” type antennas unless you have taken specific design steps to ensure that the impedance presented to the FC-30 is within these specifications.

Please see the manual of FC-30 for more detailed information.

Rear Panel Information
Connect one end of the Interconnecting Control Cable’s miniature DIN connector to the TUNER jack on the rear of the FT-450. Connect the other end of the Control Cable’s miniature DIN connector to the CNTL jack on the FC-30.

Connect one end of the Antenna Cable’s “M” type connector to the ANT jack on the rear of the FT-450. Connect the other end of the Antenna Cable’s “M” type connector to the TRX jack on the FC-30.

Connect the Antenna Cable from the Antenna to the ANT jack on the FC-30.

Installation
The optional FC-30 Automatic Antenna Tuner provides automatic tuning of a coaxial line so as to present a nominal 50-ohm impedance to the FT-450’s, HF/50 MHz antenna port.

Before operation can begin, you must instruct the FT-450’s microprocessor that the FC-30 is being used. This is done using the Menu Mode:

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu Mode. The “MENU” icon will appear in the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the Menu item “TUNER.”
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable this selected Menu Item.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to change the setting to “EXT ATU.”
5. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to return to normal operation.
**Installation of Optional Accessories**

**Automatic Antenna Tuner FC-30 Operation**

**Operation**

1. Press the [TUNE] button briefly to activate the Automatic Antenna Tuner. The "TUNE" icon will appear in the display. If the transceiver frequency is out of the amateur band, the "TUNE" icon will not appear.
2. Press and hold the [TUNE] button for one second to begin automatic tuning. The transmitter will be engaged, and the "TUNE" icon will blink while tuning is in progress.
3. Tuning will stop automatically when a low SWR is achieved. You may Press and hold the [TUNE] button for one second while tuning is in progress, to cancel the automatic tuning.
4. To disable the Automatic Antenna Tuner, press the [TUNE] button briefly again.

**Interconnections to FT-450**

- Always switch the transceiver off before connecting any cables to the FC-30.
- If the FC-30 doesn't tune even though you have pushed the TUNER switch of FT-450, it may be because the antenna or its coaxial cable have a serious problem (very high or low impedance due to an "open" or "short" circuit condition). Please check the antenna and coax if this happens.
- Do not place any objects next to the ventilation ducts on the FC-30, especially those in the front.

**Note**

- The FC-30 and the ATAS-120A Active Tuning Antenna System cannot be operated at the same time.
- The carrier signal transmits continuously while tuning is in progress. Please monitor the operating frequency before beginning the tuning process. Be sure you are not interfering with others who may already be using the frequency.
- It is normal to hear the sound of the relays while tuning is in progress.
- If the FC-30 does not tune (the "TUNE" icon will blink) even though you have pressed the [TUNE] switch within the amateur band, it may be because the antenna or its coaxial cable have a serious problem (very high or low impedance due to an "Open" or "short" circuit condition. Please check the antenna and coaxial cable if this happens.
- The FC-30 only adjusts the impedance presented to the transceiver at the station end of your coaxial cable feed line. It does not "tune" the SWR at the antenna feed point itself. When designing and building your antenna system, we recommended that every effort be made to ensure a low SWR at the antenna feed point.
- Do not connect an antenna or feed cable that is not designed for 50-ohm impedance.
- The impedance matching range of the FC-30 is from 16.5 ohms to 150 ohms (up to 3:1 SWR). Accordingly, the FC-30 should not be expected to match "long wire" type antennas unless you have taken specific design steps to ensure that the impedance presented to the FT-450 is within this specification.
**INSTALLATION OF OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES**

**AUTOMATIC-MATCHING 200-MEMORY ANTENNA TUNER FC-40 OPERATION**

The FC-40 makes use of the control circuitry built into the transceiver, which allows the operator to control and monitor automatic operation of the FC-40, which mounts near the antenna feedpoint. The FC-40 uses specially selected, thermally-stable components, and is housed in a waterproof case to withstand severe environmental conditions with high reliability.

A carefully-chosen combination of solid-state switching components and high-speed relays allows the FC-40 to match a wide variety of antennas to within a 2:1 SWR on any amateur band frequency (160 through 6 meters), typically in less than eight seconds. Transmitter power required for matching may be as little as 4 - 60 Watts, and matching settings are automatically stored in memory for instant recall when the same frequency range is selected later.

Please see the manual of FC-40 for detailed information.

**Interconnections to FT-450**

After mounting the FC-40, connect the cables from the tuner to the ANT and TUNER jacks on the rear panel of the FT-450 Transceiver.

**Installation**

The optional FC-40 Automatic Antenna Tuner provides automatic tuning of a coaxial line so as to present a nominal 50-ohm impedance to the FT-450’s, HF/50 MHz antenna port.

Before operation can begin, you must instruct the FT-450’s microprocessor that the FC-30 is being used. This is done using the Menu Mode:

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu Mode. The “**Menu**” icon will appear in the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the Menu Item "TUNER."
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable this selected Menu Item.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to change the setting to "EXT ATU."
5. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to return to normal operation.
Installation of Optional Accessories

Automatic-Matching 200-Memory Antenna Tuner FC-40 Operation

Operation

1. Press the [TUNE] button briefly to activate the Automatic Antenna Tuner. The "TUNE" icon will appear in the display. If the transceiver frequency is out of the amateur band, the "TUNE" icon will not appear.

2. Press and hold the [TUNE] button for one second to begin automatic tuning. The transmitter will be engaged, and the "TUNE" icon will blink while tuning is in progress.

3. Tuning will stop automatically when a low SWR is achieved. You may Press and hold the [TUNE] button for one second while tuning is in progress, to cancel the automatic tuning.

4. To disable the Automatic Antenna Tuner, press the [TUNE] button briefly again.

Note

☐ Please connect a good earth ground to the GND terminal of FC-40.
☐ The carrier signal transmits continuously while tuning is in progress. Please monitor the operating frequency before beginning the tuning process. Be sure you are not interfering with others who may already be using the frequency.
☐ It is normal to hear the sound of the relays while tuning is in progress.
☐ If the impedance cannot be matched by the FC-40 better than 2:1, and the "Y" icon will blink, the microprocessor will not retain the tuning data for that frequency, as the FC-40 presumes that you will want to adjust or repair your antenna system to correct the high SWR condition.


**INSTALLATION OF OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES**

**ACTIVE-TUNING ANTENNA SYSTEM (ATAS-100/-120/120A) OPERATION**

The optional ATAS-100, ATAS-120, or ATAS-120A Active-Tuning Antenna System permits operation on a number of HF bands (7/14/21/28 MHz) plus 50 MHz.

The FT-450 provides microprocessor control of the tuning mechanism in the ATAS antenna for convenient automatic tuning.

**Interconnections to FT-450**

“ATAS-120A” is connected referring to the figure below.

**A D V I S E:**
Always turn off the power switch on the FT-450 and the external power supply before you connect any cables.

**A T T E N T I O N:**
- Do not touch the cables or connectors with wet hands.
- Do not touch the cables or connectors when you transmit. There is danger of electric shock or other serious injury.
- It is not possible to use an ATU-450 or the FC-30 with an ATAS-120A at the same time.

**Installation**

Before operation can begin, you must instruct the FT-450’s microprocessor that the ATAS-100/-120/-120A is being used. This is done using the Menu Mode:

1. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to enter the Menu Mode. The “MENU” icon will appear in the display.
2. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to select the Menu Item “TUNER”.
3. Press the [DSP/SEL] knob to enable this selected Menu Item.
4. Rotate the [DSP/SEL] knob to change the setting to “ATAS”.
5. Press and hold the [F] button for one second to return to normal operation.

**Operation**

**A U T O M A T I C T U N I N G**

1. Press the [TUNE] button briefly to activate the Automatic Antenna Tuner. The “TUNER” icon will appear in the display.
   - If the transceiver frequency is out of the amateur band, the “TUNER” icon will not appear.
   - If the antenna SWR is High (more than 1.2:1), the “□” icon will blink.
2. Press and hold the [TUNE] button for one second to begin automatic tuning. The transmitter will be engaged, and the “TUNER” icon will blink while tuning is in progress.
3. Tuning will stop automatically when a low SWR is achieved. You may Press and hold the [TUNE] button for one second while tuning is in progress, to cancel the automatic tuning.
INSTALLATION OF OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

ACTIVE-TUNING ANTENNA SYSTEM (ATAS-100/-120/120A) OPERATION

MANUAL TUNING

1. Press the [TUNE] button briefly to activate the Automatic Antenna Tuner.
   The "TUNE" icon will appear in the display.
   If the transceiver frequency is out of the amateur band, the "TUNE" icon will not appear.
   If the antenna SWR is High (more than 1:2.0), the "\(\downarrow\)" icon will blink.

2. Press and hold in the microphone PTT switch.
   With the transceiver in the "transmit" mode, press and hold in the [BAND\(\uparrow\)] button (to raise the antenna) or the [BAND\(\downarrow\)] button (to lower the antenna). While you hold in one of these keys, the FT-450 will generate a carrier, and you may watch the SWR meter of the FT-450, looking for the meter indication to reach its minimum value. When this is reached, release the [BAND\(\uparrow\)] or [BAND\(\downarrow\)] key, then release the PTT key to return to the "receive" mode.
INSTALLATION OF OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

CARRYING HANDLE MHG-1 INSTALLATION

The MHG-1 is a Carrying Handle designed to match FT-450 transceiver.

Parts List
Handle ................................................................. 1pc
Handle end ....................................................... 2pcs
Mounting Screws (M4x15B) ......................... 2pcs

Installation
Screw the Carrying Handle to the FT-450 using the supplied screws.

⚠️ Do not install the supplied MHG-1 Mounting Screws if you are not installing the MHG-1!
Also, do not use an improper screw for mounting the MHG-1! An improper screw may cause a "short circuit" to the internal circuitry, causing serious damage!
The **MMB-90** is a mounting bracket designed to match the YAESU FT-450 transceiver.

### Parts List

- Mounting Bracket ........................................................ 1 pc
- Double Face Adhesives ............................................ 2 pcs
- Screws, Washers & Nuts for Mounting Bracket
  - M4 Knob-screws .................................................. 4 pcs
  - M5X20 Screws ..................................................... 4 pcs
  - M5X20 Tapping screws ........................................ 4 pcs
  - Washers ............................................................... 8 pcs
  - Washers ............................................................... 4 pcs
  - N5 Nut ................................................................. 4 pcs

### Installation Procedure

1. Determine a convenient mounting location with sufficient clearance and ventilation. Use the bracket as a template and locate the mounting holes. Use a 4.8-mm (3/16") bit to drill the holes. Secure the bracket with the supplied screws, washers and nuts.

   **Note:**
   The supplied double-sided adhesive tape may be used to temporarily hold the mobile mounting bracket in place, while drilling the holes for installation.

2. Position the transceiver in the bracket so the holes in the side are aligned with those in the bracket. Fasten the transceiver into place using the supplied Knob-screws (M4).

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### General
- **Rx Frequency Range:** 30 kHz - 56 MHz (operating)
  
  160 - 6 m (specified performance, Amateur bands only)
- **Tx Frequency Ranges:** 160 - 6 m (Amateur bands only)
- **Frequency Stability:** ±1 ppm/hour (@77 °F/+25 °C, after warmup)
- **Operating Temperature Range:** 14 °F ~ 122 °F (–10 °C ~ +50 °C)
- **Emission Modes:** A1A (CW), A3E (AM), J3E (LSB, USB), F3E (FM)
- **Frequency Steps:** 10 Hz (SSB & CW), 100 Hz (AM & FM)
- **Antenna Impedance:** 50 Ohms, unbalanced
- **Power Consumption:**
  
  - Rx (signal present): 1.5 A
  - Tx (100 W): 22 A
- **Supply Voltage:** DC 13.8 V ± 10%
- **Dimensions (WxHxD):** 9” x 3.3” x 8.5” (229 x 84 x 217 mm)
- **Weight (approx.):** 7.9 lb (3.6 kg)

### Transmitter
- **Power Output:** 100 watts (25 watts AM carrier)
- **Modulation Types:**
  
  - J3E (SSB): Balanced,
  - A3E (AM): Low-Level (Early Stage),
  - F3E (FM): Variable Reactance
- **Maximum FM Deviation:** ±5.0 kHz / ±2.5 kHz
- **Harmonic Radiation:**
  
  - Better than –60 dB (160 - 10m Amateur bands)
  - Better than –70 dB (6m Amateur band)
- **SSB Carrier Suppression:** At least 60 dB below peak output
- **Undesired Sideband Suppression:** At least 60 dB below peak output
- **Audio Response (SSB):** Not more than –6 dB from 400 to 2600 Hz
- **Microphone Impedance:** 600 Ohms (200 to 10 kOhms)
### Specifications

**Receiver**

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**Squelch Sensitivity:**

| SSB/CW/AM (IPO "OFF", ATT: "OFF") | 2.50 µV (1.8 - 30 MHz) |
|                                   | 1.00 µV (50 - 54 MHz) |
| FM                                 | 0.32 µV (28 - 30 MHz)  |
|                                    | 0.16 µV (50 - 54 MHz)  |
|                                    | There is no specification in frequency ranges not listed. |

**Selectivity (–6/–60 dB):**

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**Maximum Audio Output:**

| 2.2 W into 4 Ohms with 10% THD |
| 4 to 16 Ohms (8 Ohms: nominal) |

**Conducted Radiation:**

| Less than 4000 µW |

Specifications are subject to change, in the interest of technical improvement, without notice or obligation, and are guaranteed only within the amateur bands.
1. Changes or modifications to this device not expressly approved by VERTEX STANDARD could void the user’s authorization to operate this device.

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

3. The scanning receiver in this equipment is incapable of tuning, or readily being altered, by the User to operate within the frequency bands allocated to the Domestic public Cellular Telecommunications Service in Part 22.

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DECLARATION BY MANUFACTURER

The scanner receiver is not a digital scanner and is incapable of being converted or modified a digital scanner receiver by any user.

WARNING: MODIFICATION OF THIS DEVICE TO RECEIVE CELLULAR RADIO TELEPHONE SERVICE SIGNALS IS PROHIBITED UNDER FCC RULES AND FEDERAL LAW.

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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.