

Citizen Corp Volunteer Radio Guide

When the radio is first turned on, a “county number” is briefly displayed. Use this number to sign out each radio to a user.

Radio Operation

- Be sure the display shows **CIVIL DEF.**
- Turn Volume about ½ turn.
- If battery icon has no bars, you are out of power.

Talking

- Talk slowly and calmly.
- Use a normal voice.
- Think before you talk.
- Stick to facts.
- Pause between exchanges.
- Stay 1” – 2” from microphone, and talk **ACROSS** the face of the microphone.

Exchange Information

- Tactical calls are often used to identify the function of the station.
- Call the other station first and identify yourself second.
- Use plain English.
- Repeat the message you think you heard.
- Don't speak too fast, especially if the message needs to be written down.

Etiquette

- There is no privacy on the radio.
- Always know your location.
- Don't tie up the frequency with idle chatter.
- Be careful of what you say on the air, and how you say it.

