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INSTRUCTION MANUAL

# COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVER





### FOREWORD

Thank you for purchasing this Icom receiver. The IC-R1500 COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVER is designed and built with Icom's state of the art technology and craftsmanship. With proper care, this receiver should provide you with years of trouble-free operation.

We want to take a couple of moments of your time to thank you for making the IC-R1500 your radio of choice, and hope you agree with Icom's philosophy of "technology first." Many hours of research and development went into the design of your IC-R1500.

### *♦ FEATURES*

- Wide frequency coverage with all-mode receive
- Both Remote controller operation and PC control application are available
- O ANF and NR functions are available (Only when the optional DSP unit is installed.)
- O IF shift function

### IMPORTANT

**READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS** carefully and completely before using the receiver.

**SAVE THIS INSTRUCTION MANUAL**— This instruction manual contains important operating instructions for the IC-R1500.

### EXPLICIT DEFINITIONS

WORD	DEFINITION
	Personal injury, fire hazard or electric shock
	may occur.
CAUTION	Equipment damage may occur.
NOTE	Recommended for optimum use. No risk of
NOTE	personal injury, fire or electric shock.

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### PRECAUTIONS

 $\triangle$  **WARNING! NEVER** connect the receiver via the OPC-254L to an AC outlet. This may pose a fire hazard or result in an electric shock.

**WARNING! NEVER** operate the receiver while driving a vehicle. Safe driving requires your full attention— anything less may result in an accident.

**NEVER** connect the receiver to a power source of more than 14 V DC. This will damage the receiver.

**NEVER** connect the receiver to a power source using reverse polarity. This will damage the receiver.

**NEVER** cut the DC power cable between the DC plug and fuse holder. If an incorrect connection is made after cutting, the receiver may be damaged.

**DO NOT** leave the main unit powered ON and connected to a vehicle's electrical system. The main unit draws approx. 550 mA. This will eventually drain the vehicle's battery.

**NEVER** expose the receiver to rain, snow or any liquids. The receiver may be damaged.

**NEVER** operate or touch the receiver with wet hands. This may result in an electric shock or damage the receiver.

**NEVER** place the receiver where normal operation of the vehicle may be hindered or where it could cause bodily injury.

**NEVER** let objects impede the operation of the cooling fan on the rear panel.

**AVOID** using or placing the receiver in direct sunlight or in areas with temperatures below  $-10^{\circ}C$  (+14°F) or above +60°C (+140°F).

**BE CAREFUL!** The receiver will become hot when operating it continuously for long periods.

**AVOID** setting the receiver in a place without adequate ventilation. Heat dissipation may be affected, and the receiver may be damaged.

**AVOID** the use of chemical agents such as benzine or alcohol when cleaning, as they can damage the receiver's surfaces.

#### For U.S.A. only

**CAUTION:** Changes or modifications to this device, not expressly approved by Icom Inc., could void your authority to operate this device under FCC regulations.

### SUPPLIED ACCESSORIES



1) Antenna	1
② AC adapter*	1
③ USB cable	1
④ CD	1
(5) Foot pad sheet	1
6 Cable hanger	1
*Not supplied with some versions.	

### SPECIFICATIONS

Specifications are provided in the IC-PCR1500/IC-PCR2500's Instruction manual.

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**OPTIONS** 

#### UT-106\* DSP UNIT

Provides AF DSP functions such as noise reduction and auto notch. **CP-12L** CIGARETTE LIGHTER CABLES For operation and charging via a 12 V cigarette lighter socket. **OPC-254L** DC POWER CABLES For operation and charging via an external power supply. **SP-10** EXTERNAL SPEAKER For all-round mobile operation. Cable length: 1.5 m; 4.9 ft **OPC-1156** SEPARATION CABLE For extended separate installation. 3.5 m; 11.5 ft

\*: UT-106 installation is described in the IC-PCR1500/IC-PCR2500's Instruction manual.

### CONNECTION

### Rear panel connection

The antenna holder is backed with double-sided tape. Remove the protective paper when the antenna is fixed to any place.



#### $\diamond$ DC power supply connection

Use a 12 V DC power supply with at least 4 A capacity. Make sure the ground terminal of the DC power supply is grounded.

#### • CONNECTING TO A DC POWER SUPPLY



#### ♦ OPC-1156 connection

- ① Connect the controller plug to the OPC-1156 jack.
- (2) Detach the ferrite core from the controller cable, then attach it to the OPC-1156 as shown below.
  - Make sure to wind the cable on the ferrite core.
- ③ Connect the OPC-1156 plug to the [CONTROLLER] connector of the receiver.

# Ferrite core Jack OPC-1156

### Antenna installation

#### ♦ Antenna location

To obtain maximum performance from the receiver, select a high-quality antenna and mount it in a good location. It is not necessary to use radials on a magnetic mount ("mag mount") antenna.

# 2 PANEL DESCRIPTION

### Front panel—controller



#### SET•LOCK KEY [SET•LOCK]

- ➡ Push to enter set mode. (p. 35)
- Push and hold for 1 sec. to turn the lock function ON and OFF. (p. 11)

#### **2** TUNING STEP/MODE KEY [TS•MODE]

- Push to enter <u>tuning step selection mode</u>. (p. 9)
   Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired tuning step.
- Push and hold for 1 sec. to enter <u>receive mode selec-</u> <u>tion mode</u>. (p. 10)
  - Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired operating mode.

**3 VOLUME CONTROL [VOL]** (p. 11) Adjusts the audio level.

#### POWER KEY FOR CONTROLLER [PWR]

Push to turn the controller power ON when it's OFF.

• Push and hold for 1 sec. to turn the controller power OFF when it's ON.

#### SQUELCH CONTROL [SQL]

Varies the squelch level. (p. 11)

#### **6** MONITOR•TONE•TONE SCAN KEY [MONI•T/T-SCAN]

- ⇒ Push to turn the monitor function ON and OFF. (p. 11)
- Push and hold for 1 sec. to enter <u>tone squelch selection</u> <u>mode</u>. (pgs. 31, 33)
  - Tone squelch, pocket beep (CTCSS), tone squelch reverse action, DTCS squelch, pocket beep (DTCS), DTCS squelch reverse action or tone function OFF can be selected.
- Push and hold for 1 sec. during <u>tone squelch selection</u> <u>mode</u> to start the tone scan. (p. 34)

#### NOISE BLANKER/AUTOMATIC GAIN CONTROL KEY [NB•AGC]

- Push to turn the NB (Noise Blanker) function ON and OFF. (p. 12)
  - The noise blanker function cannot be used in FM/WFM modes.
- Push and hold for 1 sec. to select the AGC (Automatic Gain Control) function Slow and Fast. (p. 12)
   While in FM or WFM mode, the AGC function is fixed
   as Fast and AGC Slow cannot be selected.

#### O ATTENUATOR/PRIORITY KEY [ATT•PRIO]

- Push to turn the ATT (Attenuator) function ON and OFF. (p. 12)
- Starts priority watch when pushed and held for 1 sec. (p. 30)

#### MEMORY/SKIP KEY [MR•SKIP]

 Push to select the memory channel, memory bank or weather channel\* modes. (pgs. 16, 23, 44)
 \*Weather channels are available for USA/CANADA versions only.  Push and hold for 1 sec. to turn the channel skip setting ON and OFF for memory/frequency skip scan operation. (p. 28)

#### VFO/MHz TUNING•SCAN KEY [V/MHz•SCAN]

- Selects and toggles <u>VFO mode</u> and band selection, 1 MHz or 10 MHz tuning when pushed. (p. 9)
- Starts scan when pushed and held for 1 sec. (p. 26)
   Cancels a scan when pushed during scan.

#### TUNING DIAL [DIAL]

Selects the operating frequency (p. 9), memory channel (p. 16), the setting of the set mode item (p. 35) and the scanning direction (p. 26).

#### **WEMORY WRITE KEY [S.MW•MW]** (pgs. 17, 18, 21)

- ➡ Selects a memory channel for programming when pushed.
- Programs the selected memory channel when pushed and held for 1 sec.

#### POWER SWITCH FOR RECEIVER [POWER]

Turns the receiver power ON and OFF.



### 2 PANEL DESCRIPTION

■ Function display—controller



#### **1**AFC INDICATOR

Appears when the AFC function is in use. (p. 13)

#### **@**FM CENTER INDICATORS

- → " ◀" or "▶" appears when the received signal is not tuned to its center frequency; or the squelch is closed.
- "■" appears when the received signal is tuned to its center frequency.

#### **B**RECEIVE MODE INDICATORS

Shows the selected receive mode.

• SSB (LSB/USB), CW, AM and FM (FM/WFM) are available.

#### **4 AGC INDICATOR** (p. 12)

Appears when the AGC fast is selected in SSB, CW or AM mode.

#### **BNB INDICATOR** (p. 12)

Appears when the NB function is in use.

### PANEL DESCRIPTION 2

#### **GDSP INDICATOR** (p. 43)

Appears when the DSP digital filter function is in use.

• The DSP function requires an optional UT-106 installation.

#### FREQUENCY READOUT

Shows the operating frequency, channel names, set mode contents, etc.

• Frequency decimal point blinks while scanning. (p. 26)

#### **③ MEMORY INDICATOR** (p. 16)

Appears when *memory mode* is selected.

#### **OAUTO POWER-OFF INDICATOR** (p. 36)

Appears while the auto power OFF function is activated.

#### **OPRIORITY INDICATOR** (p. 30)

Appears while the priority watch is activated; blinks while the watch is paused.

#### MEMORY CHANNEL NUMBER INDICATORS

- Shows the selected memory channel number. (p. 16)
- ➡ Shows the selected bank initial. (p. 23)
- $\Rightarrow$  "L" appears when the lock function is activated. (p. 11)

#### **(DSKIP INDICATORS** (p. 28)

- "SKP" appears when the displayed memory channel is specified as a skip channel.
- "PSKP" appears when the displayed frequency is specified as a program skip frequency.

#### **(BVSC INDICATOR** (p. 13) Appears when the VSC function is in use.

#### TONE SQUELCH INDICATOR (p. 33)

Appears when the tone squelch function is in use.

#### **(D) POCKET BEEP INDICATOR** (p. 32)

Appears with "▶" or "D" while the pocket beep function (with CTCSS or DTCS) is in use.

#### **(DTCS SQUELCH INDICATOR** (p. 33)

Appears while the DTCS squelch function is in use.

#### **(DATT INDICATOR** (p. 12)

Appears when the ATT function is in use.

#### BUSY INDICATOR

- ➡ Appears when a signal is being received or the squelch is open. (p. 11)
- ➡ Blinks while the monitor function is in use. (p. 11)

#### **()**S-METER INDICATORS

Shows the relative signal strength while receiving signals. (p. 11)

### Rear panel—main unit



#### **①**ANTENNA CONNECTOR [ANT]

Connects a 50  $\Omega$  antenna with a BNC connector and a 50  $\Omega$  coaxial cable.

#### **@**PACKET JACK [PACKET]

Connects a TNC (Terminal Node Controller), etc. for data communications. The receiver can support 9600 bps packet communication (AFSK).

#### **OUSB CONNECTOR [USB]**

Connects to a PC via the supplied USB cable.

 No connection is necessary when the IC-R1500's controller is in use.

**CAUTION: NEVER** insert any other object than a USB cable, such as a metallic object, otherwise the Main unit may be damaged.

#### **G**EXTERNAL SPEAKER JACK [EXT SP]

Connects an 8  $\Omega$  external speaker. • Audio output power is more than 0.5 W.

#### GCONTROLLER [CONTROLLER]

Connects to a controller via an extension cable.

- No connection is necessary when the control software is in use.
- **CAUTION: NEVER** insert any other object than the controller cable, such as a metallic object, otherwise the Main unit may be damaged.

#### **O**POWER JACK [DC IN]

Accepts 12 V DC ±15% via the supplied DC power cable.

#### GROUND TERMINAL [GND]

Connect this terminal to a ground.

### SETTING A FREQUENCY



### Turning power ON/OFF

- ➡ While receiver's power is OFF, push [PWR] to turn power ON.
  - While receiver power is ON, push and hold **[PWR]** for 1 sec. to turn power OFF.



### Mode selection

#### ♦ VFO modes

<u>VFO mode</u> is used for the desired frequency setting within the frequency coverage.

➡ Push [V/MHz•SCAN] to select VFO mode.



#### What is VFO?

VFO is an abbreviation of Variable Frequency Oscillator. Frequencies for receiving are generated and controlled by the VFO.

#### Memory mode/Weather channels\*

<u>Memory mode</u> is used for operation of memory channels which have programmed frequencies. Weather channels\* are monitored each 5 sec. when the weather alert function is turned ON.

\*Available for USA/CANADA versions only.

#### ①Push [MR•SKIP] to select memory mode.

- "M" indicator appears when *memory mode* is selected.
- Or push [MR•SKIP] twice and rotate [DIAL] to select the Weather channel mode, then push [MR•SKIP] again.
  - *Memory mode*, memory banks or Weather channels can be selected in sequence.



- If weather channel mode is already selected, and you want to select memory channel mode. Push [MR•SKIP] and rotate [DIAL] to select "bAnk --," then push [MR•SKIP] again.
- ②Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired channel.
  - Only programmed memory channels can be selected.
  - See (p. 16) for memory programming details.



### Tuning step selection

When using the tuning dial to change the frequency, or when a scan function is activated, the frequency changes in increments determined by the set tuning step. This can be changed if desired.

The following tuning step are available.

- 0.01 kHz (10 Hz) • 0.1 kHz (100 Hz)
- 0.02 kHz (20 Hz)
  0.5 kHz (500 Hz)
- 2.5 kHz
- 2.3 KHZ • 8.33 kHz
- 5 kHz • 9 kHz
- 12.5 kHz • 25 kHz
- 100 kHz
- 200 kHz
- 15 kHz
  30 kHz
  125 kHz
- 125 kHz • 500 kHz
- 10 kHz • 20 kHz

• 1 kHz

• 6.25 kHz

- 50 kHz
- 150 kHz
- 1000 kHz (1 MHz)

• 0.05 kHz (50 Hz)

Push [V/MHz•SCAN] to select <u>VFO mode</u>, if necessary.
 Push [TS•MODE] to enter <u>tuning step select mode</u>.





[TS•MODE]

3 Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired tuning step.



④ Push any key to exit *tuning step select mode*.

### Setting a frequency

① Rotate [DIAL] to set the frequency.

- If <u>VFO mode</u> is not selected, push [V/MHz•SCAN] to select <u>VFO</u> mode.
- The frequency changes in the selected tuning steps.



- ② To change the frequency band or tune in 1 MHz (10 MHz) steps, push [V/MHz•SCAN], then rotate [DIAL].
  - Pushing and holding [V/MHz•SCAN] for 1 sec. starts scan function. If scan starts, push [V/MHz•SCAN] again to cancel it.



While the band selection mode is selected, the digits below 100 kHz disappear.





While 10 MHz tuning step is selected, the 10 MHz digit blinks.

While 1 MHz tuning step is selected, the 1 MHz digit blinks.

### Receive mode selection

Receive modes are determined by the physical properties of the radio signals. The receiver has 6 receive modes: LSB USB, CW, AM, WFM and FM modes. The mode selection is stored independently in each memory channels.

Typically, AM mode is used for the AM broadcast stations (0.495–1.620 MHz) and air band (118–135.995 MHz), and WFM is used for FM broadcast stations (76–107.9 MHz).

① Push and hold **[TS•MODE]** for 1 sec. to enter <u>receive</u> <u>mode select mode</u>.



[TS•MODE]

2 Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired mode.



③ Push any key to exit *receive mode select mode*.

### **BASIC OPERATION**

### Receiving

Push and hold **[PWR]** for 1 sec. to turn power ON.
 Set the audio level.

- ➡ Push [MONI•T/T-SCAN] to open the squelch.
- Rotate [VOL] to adjust the audio level.
- ➡ Push [MONI•T/T-SCAN] to close the squelch.

③Set the squelch level.

- Rotate [SQL] fully counterclockwise in advance, then rotate [SQL] clockwise until the noise just disappears.
  - When interference due to strong signals is received, push **[ATT•PRIO]** momentarily to turn the attenuator function. (p. 12)
- ④ Set the receive frequency and mode. (pgs. 9, 10)
- (5) When a signal is received on the set frequency, squelch opens and the receiver emits audio.
  - "BUSY" appears and the S-meter indicator shows the relative signal strength for the received signal.



### Monitor function

This function is used to listen to weak signals without disturbing the squelch setting or to open the squelch manually even when mute functions such as the tone squelch are in use.

Push [MONI•T/T-SCAN] to open the squelch.
 Push [MONI•T/T-SCAN] again to cancel the function.



### Lock function

To prevent accidental frequency changes and unintentional function access, use the lock function.

- Push and hold [SET•LOCK] for 1 sec. to turn the lock function ON and OFF.
  - [SET•LOCK] (lock function only), [MONI•T/T-SCAN] (monitor function only), [PWR], [VOL] and [SQL] can be used while the lock function is in use.

[SET•LOCK]





### Attenuator function

The attenuator prevents a desired signal from being distorted when very strong signals are near the desired frequency or when very strong RF fields, such as from a broadcasting station, are near your location. The attenuator reduces signal strength by about 20 dB and this function can be activated on 1300 MHz or below.

- ► Push [ATT•PRIO] momentarily to toggle the attenuator function ON and OFF.
  - "ATT" appears when the attenuator function is in use.



### NB function

The NB (noise blanker) function removes pulse-type noise when SSB, CW or AM mode is selected.

- → Push [NB•AGC] to toggle the NB function ON and OFF.
  - "NB" appears when the NB function is in use.





### AGC function

The AGC (Automatic Gain Control) function controls receiver gain to produce a constant audio output level even when the received signal strength varies from fading, etc. A slow-response AGC function is selectable for SSB, CW or AM mode.

- ➡ Push and hold [NB•AGC] for 1 sec. to toggle the AGC function Slow and Fast.
  - "AGC" appears when the AGC function (FAST) is selected in SSB. CW or AM mode.



While in FM or WFM mode, the AGC function is fixed as Fast and AGC Slow cannot be selected.

#### 4 **BASIC OPERATION**

### AFC function

USING SET MODE

The AFC (Automatic Frequency Control) function tunes the displayed frequency automatically when an off-center freguency is received. It activates in FM mode and only when the selected IF filter is 6 kHz or 15 kHz.

- (1) Select FM mode.
- 2 Push [SET•LOCK] to enter set mode.
- 3 Push [SET-LOCK] or [S.MW-MW] several times until "AFC" appears.



4 Rotate [DIAL] to toggle the AFC function ON and OFF.



- 5 Push [TS•MODE] or any key below the display to exit set mode.
  - "AFC" appears when the AFC function is in use.



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#### USING SET MODE

The VSC (Voice Squelch Control) function opens the squelch only when receiving a modulated signal. This function is very useful while scanning, the VSC pauses only when modulated signals are received. Scanning continues when unmodulated or beat signals are received.

- 1 Push [SET•LOCK] to enter set mode.
- 2 Push [SET-LOCK] or [S.MW-MW] several times until "VSC" appears.



③ Rotate [DIAL] to toggle the VSC function ON and OFF.





(4) Push **[TS-MODE]** or any key below the display to exit set mode.



### IF filter selection

USING SET MODE

The receiver has 2 to 4 IF passband filter widths for each mode. Selectable passband widths are 3, 6, 15, 50 and 230 (depending on the selected mode).

• Selectable passband width for each mode.

SSB mode : 3 (2.8 kHz) or 6 kHz CW mode : 3 (2.8 kHz) or 6 kHz AM mode : 3 (2.8 kHz), 6 kHz, 15 kHz or 50 kHz WFM mode: 50 kHz or 230 kHz FM mode : 6 kHz, 15 kHz or 50 kHz

- ① Push [SET•LOCK] to enter set mode.
- ② Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] several times until "FIL" appears.



③ Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired IF passband width.

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④ Push [TS•MODE] or any key below the display to exit <u>set</u> <u>mode</u>.

### ■ IF shift function

#### USING SET MODE

The IF shift function electronically changes the passband frequency of the IF (Intermediate frequency) cuttting out higher or lower frequency components of the IF to reject interference. This function is available when the receive mode is SSB or CW mode, and shifts the IF frequency up to  $\pm 25$  steps (in 1 step: 50 Hz).

- 1) Push [SET•LOCK] to enter <u>set mode</u>.
- ② Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] several times until "SFt" appears.



③ Rotate **[DIAL]** to set the shifting direction and frequency range.



④ Push [TS•MODE] or any key below the display to exit <u>set</u> <u>mode</u>.

### Duplex operation

Duplex communication uses two different frequencies for transmitting and receiving. Generally, duplex is used in communication through a repeater, some utility communications, etc.

During duplex operation, the transmit station frequency is shifted from the receive station frequency by the offset frequency. Repeater information (offset frequency and shift direction) can be programmed into memory channels. (p. 16)

#### ♦ Setting

SET MODE

① Push **[SET•LOCK]** to enter <u>set mode</u>.

②Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] several times until the duplex direction setting item "OFF dP," "DUP- dP" or "DUP+ dP" appears.



(3) Rotate [DIAL] to select the duplex direction, "DUP– dP" or "DUP+ dP."



④ Push [SET•LOCK] once to advance to the offset frequency setting item.

- (5) Rotate [DIAL] to set the desired offset frequency within 0.000–1000.000 MHz range.
  - The tuning step, selected in VFO mode, is used for setting.
  - Push **[V/MHz• SCAN]** then rotate **[DIAL]** to change the frequency in 10 MHz steps, or push again then rotate **[DIAL]** to change the frequency in 1 MHz steps. (Each push toggles 1 MHz, 10 MHz or selected tuning steps.)



⑥Push [TS-MODE] or any key below the display to exit <u>set</u> <u>mode</u>.

#### Operation

- ① Set the receive station frequency (repeater output frequency).
- ② Push [MONI•T/T-SCAN] to monitor the transmit station frequency (repeater input frequency) directly.





[MONI•T/T-SCAN]

Frequency shifts the offset frequency



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### MEMORY OPERATION

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### General description

The receiver has 1100 memory channels including 100 scan edge memory channels (50 pairs) for storage of often-used frequencies. And a total of 21 memory banks, A to H, J to R, T, U, W and Y are available for storing groups of frequencies, etc. Up to 100 channels can be assigned to a bank.

#### Memory channel contents

The following information can be programmed into memory channels:

- Operating frequency (p. 9)
- Receive mode (p. 10)
- Duplex direction (DUP+ or DUP-) with an offset frequency (p. 15)
- Tone squelch or DTCS squelch ON/OFF (p. 33)
- Tone squelch frequency or DTCS code with polarity (p. 38)
- Scan skip information (p. 28)

### Memory channel selection

- 1 Push [MR•SKIP] to select *memory mode*.
  - "M" indicator appears.



② Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired memory channel.

• Programmed memory channels can only be selected.

If memory banks or weather channels\* mode appears at step ①, push **[MR•SKIP]** and rotate **[DIAL]** to select "bAnk ---," then push **[MR• SKIP]** again to return to channel selection.

\*Available for USA/CANADA versions only.

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### Programming a memory channel

VFO settings, including the set mode contents such as subaudible tone frequency, offset and scan skip information can be programmed into a memory channel.

- ① Push [V/MHz•SCAN] to select VFO mode.
- ②Set the desired frequency using [DIAL].
  - Set other data (e.g. subaudible tone frequency, scan skip information, etc.) if required.
- ③ Push [S.MW•MW] to enter <u>select memory write mode</u>.
  - "M" indicator and the memory channel number blink.

④ Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired memory channel to be programmed.

• Memory channels not yet programmed are blank.

- 5 Push and hold [S.MW•MW] for 1 sec. to program.
  - 3 beeps sound
  - Memory channel number automatically increases when continuing to push [S.MW•MW] after programming.

#### ✓ CONVENIENT

Memory programming can be made quicker by copying memory information to different memory channels (p.19).



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### Programming channel names

Each memory channel can be programmed with an alphanumeric channel name for easy recognition and can be indicated independently by channel. Names can be a maximum of 6 characters— see the table below for available characters.



- ① Select the desired memory channel to be programmed.
  - Push [MR•SKIP] to select <u>memory mode</u>, then rotate [DIAL] to select the desired memory channel.
- 2 Push [S.MW•MW] to enter select memory write mode.
  - "M" indicator and the memory channel number blink.
- ③ Push [TS•MODE] twice to select the memory name programming condition, "m nAmE."
  - Frequency readouts disappear and a cursor blinks.
- 4 Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired character.
  - The selected character blinks.
- 5 Push [SET•LOCK] to move the cursor to the right.
  - Repeat pushing [SET•LOCK] to return to the first digit.
- 6 Repeat steps ④ and ⑤ until the desired channel name is displayed.
- ⑦ Push and hold [S.MW•MW] for 1 sec. to program the name and exit <u>select memory write mode</u>.



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### 5 MEMORY OPERATION

#### ♦ To indicate the channel name

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The channel name indication can be set independently for eace memory channel.

1 Select the desired memory channel.

- Push [MR•SKIP] to select <u>memory mode</u>, then rotate [DIAL] to select the desired memory channel.
  - "M" and memory channel number appear.
- 2 Push [SET-LOCK] to enter set mode.
- ③Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] several times to select "Anm" item.
- ④ Rotate [DIAL] to turn the memory name indication ON.



(5) Push [TS•MODE] to exit <u>set mode</u>.

**NOTE:** When no memory name is programmed, the stored frequency is displayed.

### Copying memory contents

This function transfers a memory channel's contents to VFO (or another memory channel). This is useful when searching for signals near a memory channel frequency and for recalling the subaudible tone frequency, etc.

#### ♦ Memory VFO

①Select the desired memory channel to be transferred.

- Push [MR•SKIP] to select <u>memory mode</u>, then rotate [DIAL] to select the desired memory channel.
  - "M" and memory channel number appear.
- ②Push and hold **[S.MW•MW]** for 3 sec. to transfer the selected memory channel contents to <u>VFO mode</u>.
  - <u>VFO mode</u> is selected automatically.

#### ♦ Memory ⇒ memory

①Select the desired memory channel to be transferred.

- Push [MR•SKIP] to select <u>memory mode</u>, then rotate [DIAL] to select the desired memory channel.
  - "M" and memory channel number appear.
- 2 Push [S.MW•MW] momentarily.
  - "M" and memory channel number blink.
- ③ Rotate [DIAL] to select the target memory channel.
   Scan edge channels, 0A/0B to 49A/49B can also be selected.
- ④ Push and hold [S.MW•MW] for 1 sec. to transfer the selected memory channel contents to the target memory channel.
  - The targeted memory channel and transferred contents are displayed.

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### Memory clearing

Contents of programmed memories can be cleared (erased), if desired.

①Push [V/MHz•SCAN] to select VFO mode.

② Push [S.MW•MW] to enter select memory write mode.

• "M" and the memory channel number blink.

③Rotate [DIAL] to select the memory channel to be cleared.

- ④ Push [TS•MODE] three times to select "CLEAR," then push and hold [S.MW•MW] for 1 sec.
  - 3 beeps sound.
  - The cleared channel display changes to blank
  - "M" and the memory channel number blink continuously.
- 5 Push [V/MHz•SCAN] to return to VFO mode.
- **NOTE:** Be careful!— the contents of cleared memories CANNOT be recalled.



### Memory bank setting

The IC-R1500 has a total of 21 banks (A to H, J to R, T, U, W, Y). Regular memory channels, 0 to 999, may assigned into the desired bank for easy memory management.

1 Select the desired memory channel.

- Push [MR•SKIP] to select <u>memory mode</u>, then rotate [DIAL] to select the desired memory channel.
  - "M" and memory channel number appear.
- 2 Push [S.MW•MW] to enter <u>select memory write mode</u>.
  - "M" indicator and the memory channel number blink.
- ③ Push [TS•MODE] once to select "bAnk."



After [TS•MODE]

[TS•MODE]



released

#### USING SET MODE

- (4) Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired bank and bank channel.
  - Push [SET•LOCK] to toggle the bank or bank channel selection.
  - Banks A to H, J to R, T, U, W and Y are available.
  - Only vacant bank channel numbers will be displayed.



Bank selection

Bank channel selection

(5) Push and hold **[S.MW•MW]** for 1 sec. to program the bank and exit <u>select memory write mode</u>.

### Memory bank selection

① Push [MR•SKIP] to select memory mode.

②Push [MR•SKIP] again to enter <u>memory type selection</u> <u>mode</u>.





[DIAL] [MR•SKIP]

- 3 Rotate **[DIAL]** to select the desired bank (A to H, J to R, T, U, W or Y).
  - Only programmed banks are displayed.
- ④ Push any key to set the bank indication.
  - Bank's indicator appears at top of the memory channel.
- (5) Rotate [DIAL] to select the contents in the bank.
- ⑥ To return to regular <u>memory mode</u>, repeat steps ②–④ and select "bAnk --" at step ③.

#### Memory bank indication



### Transferring bank contents

#### USING SET MODE

The bank contents of programmed memory channels can be cleared or transferred to another bank.

**INFORMATION:** Even if the bank is cleared of memory channels, the memory channel contents still remain programmed.

- 1 Select the desired bank contents to be transferred or erased from the bank.
  - ➡ Push [MR•SKIP] to select memory mode.
  - Push [MR•SKIP] again then rotate [DIAL] to select the desired memory bank.





[DIAL] [MR•SKIP]

Bank's indicator appears

Push any key to select the bank then rotate [DIAL] to select the desired contents.

2 Push [S.MW•MW] to enter <u>select memory write mode</u>.

• "M" indicator and the memory channel number blink.

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#### ③ Push [TS•MODE] once to select "bAnk."

• The bank's indicator and bank channel are displayed.





[TS•MODE]

After [TS•MODE] released



- Push [SET•LOCK] to toggle the bank or bank channel selection.
- Select "-- --" indication when erasing the contents from the bank.
- Vacant bank channel numbers are only be displayed.





Bank selection

Bank channel selection

(5) Push and hold **[S.MW•MW]** for 1 sec. to program the bank and exit <u>select memory write mode</u>.



6 Repeat steps 1 to 5 for transferring or erasing an another bank's contents.

### SCAN OPERATION

### Scan types

Scanning searches for signals automatically and makes it easier to locate new stations.

There are 5 scan types and 4 resume conditions to suit your operating needs.





Skips unwanted frequencies or channels that inconveniently stop scanning. This function can be turned ON and OFF by pushing and holding [MR•SKIP] in <u>memory</u> <u>mode</u>.

### Scan start/stop

#### ♦ Preparation

Scan resume condition (p. 29); program scan edges (p. 27); program two or more memory channels (p. 17); set skip settings (p. 28), if desired.

#### ♦ Operation

- ①Push [V/MHz•SCAN] to select <u>VFO mode</u> for full/programmed scan; or push [MR•SKIP] to select <u>memory</u> <u>mode</u> for memory/bank scan.
  - Select the desired bank in *memory type selection mode* for bank scan.
- ②Set the squelch level to the point where noise is just muted.
- ③ Push and hold [V/MHz•SCAN] for 1 sec. to start the scan.
  - To change the scanning direction, rotate [DIAL].
  - The memory channel readout blinks the scan type as below.





Push [SET•LOCK] to select full (ALL) or programmed scan (P00–P49) in sequence.

#### • During programmed scan



Indicates scan edge channels.

- P01 stands for 01A/01B
- P00 to P49 are available when they are programmed, and selected with [SET•LOCK].

While pushing and holding [V/MHz•SCAN], rotate [DIAL] also to select full (ALL) or programmed scan (P00–P49).

**IMPORTANT!:** To perform memory or bank scan, two or more memory/bank channels MUST be programmed, otherwise the scan will not start.

④ Push [TS•MODE] (or [SET•LOCK]) to select full and programmed scan (P00 to P49), if VFO is selected in step ①.
⑤ To stop the scan, push [V/MHz•SCAN].

**About the scanning steps:** The selected tuning step in each frequency band (in <u>VFO mode</u>) is used during scan.

The bank-link setting can be changed in <u>set mode</u>. See (p. 41) for details.



Indicates bank channel.

**NOTE:** When SSB, CW, AM, FM or WFM mode frequencies are programmed into memory channels randomly, memory scan is slow because changing modes takes time. In this case, assign the SSB, CW, AM, FM or WFM mode frequencies into separate banks where bank scan can be used. And using the bank scan is helpful.

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### 6 SCAN OPERATION

### Scan edges programming

Scan edges can be programmed in the same manner as memory channels. Scan edges are programmed into scan edges, 0A/0B to 49A/49B, in memory channels.

- 1) Push [V/MHz•SCAN] to select VFO mode.
- ② Set the edge frequency of the desired frequency range:
  - Set the frequency using [DIAL].
  - Set other data (e.g. tone squelch, etc.), if desired.
- 3 Push [S.MW•MW].
  - "M" indicator and channel number blink.
- ④ Rotate [DIAL] to select one of scan edge channel, 0A to 49A.

- (5) Push and hold [S.MW•MW] for 1 sec. to program.
  - 3 beeps sound and <u>VFO mode</u> is automatically selected.
  - Scan edge 0B to 49B is automatically selected when continuing to push [S.MW•MW] after programming.
- (6) To program a frequency for the other pair of scan edges,
   0B to 49B, repeat steps (1) to (4).
  - If the same frequency is programmed into a pair of scan edges, programmed scan will not function.



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### Skip scan

#### ♦ Skip channel/frequency setting

You can set the selected memory channel as a skip channel which is skipped during memory skip scan. In addition, it can be set as a skip channel for both memory skip scan and frequency skip scan. These are useful to speed up the scan interval.

1 Select a memory channel.

- Push [MR•SKIP] to select <u>memory mode</u>, then rotate [DIAL] to select the desired memory channel to be a skip channel.
  - "M" and memory channel number appear.
- ②Push and hold [MR•SKIP] for 1 sec. several times to set the skip condition.
  - (no indication) : The channel is scanned during scan.
  - SKIP : The channel is skipped during scan.
  - PSKIP : The channel is skipped during scan and the programmed frequency is skipped during VFO scan, such as programmed scan.



[MR•SKIP]



The display shows that memory channel 16 is set as a skip channel.

#### Skip scan setting

- USING SET MODE
- 1) Push [SET•LOCK] to enter set mode.
- ② Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] several times until "PSC" appears.



③ Rotate [DIAL] to toggle the skip scan function ON and OFF.





- ④ Push [TS•MODE] or any key below the display to exit <u>set</u> <u>mode</u>.
- (5) Then start the scan to activate the skip scan (memory skip scan or frequency skip scan).

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### Scan resume condition **UNIT SET MODE**

The scan resume condition can be selected a timed or pause scan. The selected resume condition is also used for priority watch. (p. 30)

The display shows that the scan will resume 15 sec. after it stops.

① Push [SET•LOCK] to enter set mode.



② Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] several times until "SCt" or "SCP" appears.



- ③ Rotate [DIAL] to set the desired timer:
  - "SCP-2" : Scan pauses until the signal disappears and then resumes 2 sec. later.
  - "SCt-15" : Scan pauses 15 sec. while receiving a signal.
  - "SCt-10" : Scan pauses 10 sec. while receiving a signal.
  - "SCt-5" : Scan pauses 5 sec. while receiving a signal.







④ Push [TS•MODE] to exit set mode.

### **PRIORITY WATCH**

### Priority watch types

Priority watch checks for signals on the frequency every 5 sec. while operating on a VFO frequency or scanning. The receiver has 2 priority watch types to suit your needs.

The watch resumes according to the selected scan resume condition. See (p. 29) for details.

WNOTE: If the pocket beep function is activated, the receiver automatically selects the tone/DTCS squelch function when priority watch starts.

#### MEMORY CHANNEL WATCH

While operating on a VFO frequency, priority watch checks for a signal on the selected memory channel every 5 sec.



 A memory channel with skip information can be watched.

#### MEMORY SCAN WATCH

While operating on a VFO frequency, priority watch checks for signals on each memory channel in sequence.

 The memory skip function and/or memory bank scan is useful to speed up the scan.



### Priority watch operation

- ① Select <u>VFO mode</u>; then, set an operating frequency.
- (2) Set the watched channel(s).
- For memory channel watch:

Select the desired memory channel.

#### For memory scan watch:

Select *memory mode*, or the desired bank group; then, push and hold [V/MHz•SCAN] for 1 sec. to start memory scan.

- ③ Push and hold [ATT•PRIO] for 1 sec. to start the watch.
  - The receiver checks the memory/bank channel(s) every 5 sec.
  - The watch resumes according to the selected scan resume condition. (p. 29)
  - While the watch is paused, pushing and holding [ATT•PRIO] for 1 sec. resumes the watch manually.
- 4 Push and hold [ATT•PRIO] for 1 sec. to stop the watch.





[ATT•PRIO]

"PRIO" appears

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### POCKET BEEP AND TONE SQUELCH

### Pocket beep operation

This function uses subaudible tones for calling and can be used as a "common pager" to inform you that someone has called while you were away from the receiver.

#### ♦ Waiting for a call from a specific station

- 1 Set the operating frequency in FM mode.
- 2 Push [SET•LOCK] to enter <u>set mode</u>.



③ Push **[SET•LOCK]** or **[S.MW•MW]** several times until "Ct" (when selecting the tone squelch frequency) or "dt" (when selecting the DTCS code squelch) appears.





Tone squelch frequency setting

ng DTCS code setting

④ Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired tone frequency or DTCS code.



(5) When operating the pocket beep function with DTCS code squelch, push [SET•LOCK] once then rotate [DIAL] to select the DTCS polarity.



DTCS polarity setting

- ⑥ Push [TS•MODE] or any key below the display to exit <u>set</u> <u>mode</u>.
- ⑦ Push and hold [MONI+T/T-SCAN] for 1 sec to enter <u>tone</u> <u>squelch selection mode</u>, then rotate [DIAL] until "((•)) ▶" or "□ ((•))" appears to turn the pocket beep function ON with tone squelch or DTCS squelch, respectively.



[DIAL] [MONI•T/T-SCAN]





Appears when the pocket beep with tone squelch is turend ON.

Appears when the pocket beep with DTCS squelch is turned ON.

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(8) Push any key to exit *tone squelch selection mode*.





Appears when the pocket beep with tone squelch is activated.

Appears when the pocket beep with DTCS squelch is activated.

- (9) When a signal with a matching tone is received, the receiver emits beep tones and blinks "((•))."
  - Beep tones sound for 30 sec. and "((•))" blinks. To stop the beeps and blinking manually, push any key.



10 Push and hold [MONI•T/T-SCAN] for 1 sec. to enter <u>tone</u> <u>squelch selection mode</u>, then rotate [DIAL] to cancel the tone squelch or DTCS squelch function.

• "oFF" is selected for turning the function OFF.

#### ♦ Available tone frequency list

67.0	79.7	97.4	118.8	146.2	167.9	186.2	206.5	241.8
69.3	82.5	100.0	123.0	151.4	171.3	189.9	210.7	250.3
71.0	85.4	103.5	127.3	156.7	173.8	192.8	218.1	254.1
71.9	88.5	107.2	131.8	159.8	177.3	196.6	225.7	
74.4	91.5	110.9	136.5	162.2	179.9	199.5	229.1	
77.0	94.8	114.8	141.3	165.5	183.5	203.5	233.6	

**NOTE:** The receiver has 51 tone frequencies and consequently their spacing is narrow compared to units having 38 tones. Therefore, some tone frequencies may receive interference from adjacent tone frequencies.

#### ♦ Available DTCS code list

023	054	125	165	245	274	356	445	506	627	732
025	065	131	172	246	306	364	446	516	631	734
026	071	132	174	251	311	365	452	523	632	743
031	072	134	205	252	315	371	454	526	654	754
032	073	143	212	255	325	411	455	532	662	
036	074	145	223	261	331	412	462	546	664	
043	114	152	225	263	332	413	464	565	703	
047	115	155	226	265	343	423	465	606	712	
051	116	156	243	266	346	431	466	612	723	
053	122	162	244	271	351	432	503	624	731	
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#### $\diamond$ Calling a waiting station using pocket beep

A subaudible tone matched with the station's CTCSS tone frequency or 3-digit DTCS code with the correct polarity is necessary. Use the tone squelch on the next page (p. 33).

### Tone/DTCS squelch operation

The tone or DTCS squelch opens only when receiving a signal with the same pre-programmed subaudible tone or DTCS code. You can silently wait for a signal using the same tone.

- ① Set the operating frequency in FM mode.
- ② Program the CTCSS tone frequency or DTCS code in <u>set</u> <u>mode</u>. (p. 31)
- ③ Push and hold [MONI•T/T-SCAN] for 1 sec. to enter <u>tone squelch selection mode</u>, then rotate [DIAL] until "▶" or "⊡" appears in the function display.



Tone OFF setting



Tone squelch setting



DTCS setting

- (4) When a signal with a matching tone is received, the squelch opens and the receiver emits audio.
  - When the received signal includes an unmatched tone, the squelch does not open. However, the S-meter indicator shows the received signal strength.
  - To open the squelch manually, push [MONI•T/T-SCAN].
- (5) To cancel the tone squelch or DTCS squelch function, repeat steps (3) until "oFF" appears, then push any key.

#### ♦ Reverse action for tone or DTCS squelch

Enter <u>tone squelch selection mode</u> as described in steps ① to ③ as shown left, then rotate [DIAL] to select either reverse action for the tone or DTCS squelch as below.





for Tone squelch

for DTCS

#### How does the Reverse action work?

When the reverse action is selected for either the tone squelch, "tSqL-r," or DTCS squelch, "dtCS-r," and a signal with the matched tone (or DTCS) is received, the squelch closes, and the receiver mutes the signal. You can listen to signals with any tone other than the specified one.

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#### Tone scan

By monitoring a signal using with pocket beep, tone or DTCS squelch, you can determine the tone frequency or DTCS code necessary to open the squelch.

- Set the desired operating frequency or memory channel to be checked for a tone frequency or code.
- ② Push and hold [MONI•T/T-SCAN] for 1 sec and rotate [DIAL] to select the tone type, tone squelch or DTCS, to be scanned.
  - Either "▶" or "D" appears.
- ③ Push and hold [MONI•T/T-SCAN] for 1 sec. to start the tone scan.
  - To change the scanning direction, rotate [DIAL].







During CTCSS frequency scan

During DTCS code scan

- ④ When the CTCSS tone frequency or 3-digit DTCS code is matched, the squelch opens and the tone frequency is temporarily programmed into the VFO or memory channel.
  - The tone scan pauses when a CTCSS tone frequency or 3-digit DTCS code is detected.
  - The decoded CTCSS tone frequency or 3-digit DTCS code is used for the tone decoder depending on the selected tone condition or type in step (2).
  - "•" : CTCSS tone decoder
  - "D" : DTCS tone decoder
- (5) Push any key to stop the scan.

**NOTE:** The decoded tone frequency is programmed temporarily when a memory is selected. However, this will be replaced by the programmed information when the memory channel is re-selected.

### General

- ♦ Set mode operation
- ① Push [SET•LOCK] to enter set mode.
- ② Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] to select the desired item.

# ③ Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired condition of the item. ④ Push [TS•MODE] or any key below the display to exit <u>set</u> <u>mode</u>.

### Set mode items



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#### ♦ Key-touch beep

The key-touch beep can be turned OFF for silent operation. (default: ON)





Even when this item is set to OFF, the power-on beep and pocket beep function still sound. The power-on beep can not be set to OFF.

#### Beep output level

Adust the beep level from 1 to 9 for key-touch beep, power-on beep and pocket beep function. (default: 5)

When the previous set mode item "bEP" is set to OFF, this setting level does not affect key-touch.



#### ♦ Auto power OFF

The receiver can be set to automatically turn OFF with a beep after a specified period during which no key operations are performed.

30 min., 1 hour, 2 hours and OFF can be specified. The specified period is retained even when the receiver is turned OFF by the auto power OFF function. To cancel the function, select "OF" for this item in <u>set mode</u>. (default: OFF)



#### Display dimmer

Adjust the display lighting level. The levels 1 (dark) to 8 (bright: default) are available.

#### ♦ Display color

The display color can be set to amber (default), yellow or green.



#### Yellow setting

Green setting

#### Display contrast

The LCD contrast can be adjusted through 9 levels.

(default: 5)



#### ♦ Duplex direction

Sets the duplex direction. The displayed frequency shifts by the programmed offset frequency (see next item) when monitor function is in use (pushing **[MONI+T/T-SCAN]**).

- OFF : Simplex operation. (default)
- DUP- : The displayed frequency shifts down during monitor.
- DUP+ : The displayed frequency shifts up during monitor.



#### ♦ Offset frequency

Sets the duplex offset frequency for each frequency band independently within a 0 to 1000 MHz range. During duplex operation (DUP- or DUP+), the monitoring frequency (pushing **[MONI+T/T-SCAN]**) shifts by the offset frequency.



The default value may differ according to the selected frequency band (before accessing <u>set mode</u>) and receiver version.

The selected tuning step in <u>VFO mode</u> is used for setting the offset frequency.

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#### ♦ Tone frequency

Sets subaudible tone frequency for tone squelch operation. Total of 51 tone frequencies (67.0–254.1 Hz) are available.





#### • Available tone frequency list

67.0	79.7	97.4	118.8	146.2	167.9	186.2	206.5	241.8
69.3	82.5	100.0	123.0	151.4	171.3	189.9	210.7	250.3
71.0	85.4	103.5	127.3	156.7	173.8	192.8	218.1	254.1
71.9	88.5	107.2	131.8	159.8	177.3	196.6	225.7	
74.4	91.5	110.9	136.5	162.2	179.9	199.5	229.1	
77.0	94.8	114.8	141.3	165.5	183.5	203.5	233.6	

#### ♦ DTCS code

Sets DTCS code for DTCS squelch operation. Total of 104 codes (023–754) are available. (default: 023)



#### Available DTCS code list

023	054	125	165	245	274	356	445	506	627	732
025	065	131	172	246	306	364	446	516	631	734
026	071	132	174	251	311	365	452	523	632	743
031	072	134	205	252	315	371	454	526	654	754
032	073	143	212	255	325	411	455	532	662	
036	074	145	223	261	331	412	462	546	664	
043	114	152	225	263	332	413	464	565	703	
047	115	155	226	265	343	423	465	606	712	
051	116	156	243	266	346	431	466	612	723	
053	122	162	244	271	351	432	503	624	731	

#### ♦ DTCS polarity

Selects DTCS polarities from n (normal) and r (reverse).

(default: n)



dep# r

normal (default)

reverse

#### ♦ VSC setting

Turns VSC (Voice Squelch Control) ON and OFF.

(default: OFF)



#### ♦ Scan resume timer

Selects scan resume timer from SCT-15 (default), SCT-10, SCT-5 and SCP-2. Scan resumes after the specified period when the received signal disappears.

- SCT-15/10/5 : Scan pauses for 15/10/5 sec. when the received signal disappears.
- SCP-2 : Scan pauses on a signal until signal disappears, then resumes 2 sec. after the signal disappears.

#### Program scan skip setting

Sets the program scan skip setting ON and OFF for VFO scan operation, such as programmed scan.

 $(default: ON) \\ This item appears when <u>set mode</u> is accessed from <u>VFO</u> <u>mode</u> only.$ 



#### ♦ Scan skip area setting

Sets the pre-programmed scan skip area setting ON and OFF for VFO scan operation, such as programmed scan.

This item appears only when the scan skip area setting is programmed by the cloning (p. 44) and <u>set mode</u> is accessed from <u>VFO mode</u>.



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#### Memory name setting

Sets memory name appearance ON (appear) and OFF (does not appear; default).

This item appears when <u>set mode</u> is accessed from <u>memory</u> <u>mode</u> only.

#### Memory bank link function

Sets the memory bank link function ON and OFF (default). The link function provides continuous banks scan, that scans all contents in the selected banks during bank scan.

This item appears when <u>set mode</u> is accessed from <u>memory</u> <u>mode</u> only.



#### Bank link setting

- 1 Rotate [DIAL] to select the memory bank link function ON.
- ② Push and hold [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] for 1 sec. to enter <u>bank link setting mode</u>.
- ③ Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] to select the desired bank to be linked.

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• E : E	3ank E	• F : Bank F		• G : Bank G	• H : E	3ank H
• A : E	3ank A	• b : Bank B		• C : Bank C	•d:E	3ank D



- ④ Rotate [DIAL] to select "On" to linking the bank.
- (5) Repeat steps (3) and (4) to set the link condition.
- ⑥ Push [TS•MODE] or any key below the display to return to <u>set mode</u>.

#### ♦ AFC setting

Turns AFC (Automatic Frequency Control) function ON and OFF. (default: OFF)



#### ♦ Filter setting

Select the IF filter passband width from 3, 6, 15, 50 and 230 (depending on the selected mode.)

#### ♦ Weather alert function

U.S.A./CANADA versions only

Turns weather alert function ON and OFF.





#### ♦ IF shift frequency setting

Select the IF shift frequency up to  $\pm 25$  steps (in 1 step: 50 Hz).

This item appears when the receive mode is selected SSB or CW mode.



Center position (default)

Highest

#### ♦ Squelch delay

Selects squelch delay to short or long to prevent repeated opening and closing of the squelch during reception of the same signal.

- S : Short squelch delay.
- L : Long squelch delay.



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#### ♦ ANF setting

Turns ANF (Automatic Notch Filter) function ON and OFF. The ANF function automatically attenuates up to 3 beat tones, tuning signals, etc. even if they frequency varies. The ANF function can be used in SSB, AM, FM and WFM modes.

This item appears when optional UT-106 is installed.



#### ♦ NR setting

Selects NR (Noise Reduction) level from 1 to 15 and OFF (Default).

The NR function enhances desired signals in the presence of noise by using the DSP circuit. The amount of enhancement is adjustable.

The NR level can result in audio signal masking. Set the noise reduction level for maximum readability.

This item appears when optional UT-106 is installed.



### Weather channel operation (USA/CANADA versions only)

#### Weather channel selection

① Push [MR•SKIP] twice and rotate [DIAL] to select weather channel group, then push [MR•SKIP] again.





- (2) Rotate [DIAL] to select the desired weather channel.
- 3 To cancel the weather channel, repeat step 1 and select the memory channel group, "bAnk --" or push [V/MHz•SCAN] to select <u>VFO mode</u>.

#### ♦ Weather alert function

NOAA broadcast stations transmit weather alert tones before important weather announcements. When the weather alert function is turned ON, the selected weather channel is monitored each 5 sec. for the announcement. When the alert signal is detected, the "AL.T" and the WX channel are displayed alternately and sounds a beep tone until the receiver controls are manipulated. The previously selected weather channel is checked periodically during standby or while scanning.

- 1 Select the desired weather channel.
- (2) Turn the weather alert function ON in  $\underline{set mode}$ .
  - ➡ Push [SET•LOCK] to enter <u>set mode</u>.
  - Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] to select the weather alert item, then rotate [DIAL] to set ON.
  - ➡ Push any key below the display to exit <u>set mode</u>.
- 3 Select the desired stand-by condition.
  - Selects VFO or memory channel.
  - Scan or priority watch operation can also be selected.
- ④ When the alert is detected, a beep sounds and the following indication will be displayed.





(5) Turn the weather alert function OFF in  $\underline{\textit{set mode}}.$ 

**NOTE:** While receiving a signal (on a frequency other than the weather alert ON frequency), the receiving signal or audio will be interrupted momentarily every 5 sec. (approx.) in case the alert function is turned ON. This is caused by the WX alert function. To eliminate the interruptions, set the weather alert item OFF in <u>set mode</u>.

### **DSP operation** (Optional UT-106 is required)

#### ♦ ANF function

USING SET MODE

The ANF (Automatic Notch Filter) function automatically attenuates beat tones, tuning signals, etc., even if they are moving. This function can be activated in SSB, AM, FM modes.

- 1 Select any of SSB, AM or FM mode.
- 2 Push [SET•LOCK] to enter set mode.
- ③ Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] several times until "AnF" appears.



④ Rotate [DIAL] to toggle the ANF function ON and OFF.



- 5 Push [TS•MODE] to exit set mode.
  - "DSP" appears when the DSP function (either ANF or NR functions) is in use.



#### ♦ NR function

USING SET MODE

The NR (Noise Reduction) function reduces noise components and picks out desired signals which are buried in noise. The received AF signals are converted to digital signals and then the desired signals are separated from the noise. This function is available for all operating modes.

- 1) Push [SET•LOCK] to enter <u>set mode</u>.
- ② Push [SET•LOCK] or [S.MW•MW] several times until "nr" appears.



3 Rotate [DIAL] to select the NR level from 1 to 15 or OFF.



- ④ Push [TS•MODE] to exit set mode.
  - "DSP" appears when the DSP function (either ANF or NR functions) is in use.



### **DATA cloning** (IC-PCR1500 control software must be installed)

Cloning allows you to quickly and easily transfer the programmed contents from a personal computer to a receiver using the IC-PCR1500 control software.

#### Cloning using a personal computer

Data can be cloned to and from a personal computer (Microsoft<sup>®</sup> Windows<sup>®</sup> XP/2000/Me/98SE) and other setting can also be programmed from a PC. Consult the IC-PCR1500/IC-PCR2500's Instruction manual for cloning details.



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#### ♦ Available functions

- ➡ Reading or writing Clone data
- Programming memory channels/memory banks/scan edges
- Programming set mode settings
- Transferring the data of PC (PCR1500) to receiver (R1500) or receiver (R1500) to PC (PCR1500)
- ➡ Automatic mode settings
  - The automatic mode setting automatically sets the receive mode, IF filter passband width, tuning step, etc. after inputting frequency ranges.
- Skip area settings

• The skip area setting is available for skipping unwanted frequency ranges that inconveniently stop scanning.

### Partial reset

#### AT POWER ON

If you want to initialize the operating conditions (VFO frequency, VFO settings, set mode contents) without clearing the memory contents, a partial reset function is available.

➡ While pushing [V/MHz•SCAN] and [SET•LOCK], push and hold [PWR] for 1 sec. to reset CPU partially.



#### All reset

#### AT POWER ON

The function display may occasionally display erroneous information (e.g. when first applying power). This may be caused externally by static electricity or by other factors.

If this problem occurs, turn power OFF. After waiting a few seconds, turn power ON again. If the problem persists, perform the following procedure.

• Partial resetting is also available. See left for details.

#### *W* **IMPORTANT!**:

Resetting the receiver **CLEARS** all memory information and initializes all values in the receiver to their default settings.

➡ While pushing [S.MW•MW] and [SET•LOCK], push and hold [PWR] for 1 sec. to reset the CPU.



### Internal audio switch

The internal switch must be set properly to use an external speaker, headphones or earphone.

Before removing the top cover, turn the receiver power OFF, then disconnect the DC power cable.

(1) Turn the power OFF, then disconnect the DC power cable. (2) Unscrew the 8 screws and disconnect the connected ca-

bles, then remove the top cover.

• Be careful not to lose the screws.



- ③Set the switch as shown at right.
  - Set the switch to [SPEAKER] when an external speaker is connected to the receiver. (default)
  - Set the switch to [PHONES] when headphones or an earphone are/is connected to the receiver.
- ④ Return the top cover, cables and screws to the original position.



# 11 TROUBLESHOOTING

If your receiver seems to be malfunctioning, please check the following points before sending it to a service center.

PROBLEM	POSSIBLE CAUSE	SOLUTION	REF.
Does not turn on.	An AC adapter is not connected to the receiver.	Check the connection.	p. 1
No sound comes from the speaker.	<ul> <li>Volume level is too low.</li> <li>Squelch level is set too high.</li> <li>Different tone is selected with tone or DTCS squelch.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rotate [VOL] to obtain a suitable level.</li> <li>Rotate [SQL] to set the squelch level.</li> <li>Turn the appropriate function OFF.</li> </ul>	p. 11 p. 11 p. 33
Sensitivity is low and only strong signals are audible.	<ul> <li>Antenna feedline or the antenna connector has a poor contact or is short circuited.</li> <li>Attenuator function is activated.</li> </ul>	or the antenna connector has a short circuited. on is activated. • Check, and if necessary, replace the feedline or so der the antenna connector again. • Push [ATT•PRIO] to turn the Attenuator functio OFF.	
Frequency cannot be set.	<ul> <li>The lock function is activated.</li> </ul>	• Push and hold [SET•LOCK] for 1 sec. to turn the function OFF.	p. 11
Program scan does not operate.	<ul><li>The squelch is open.</li><li>The start and end frequencies are the same.</li></ul>	<ul><li>Set the squelch to the threshold point.</li><li>Set the different frequencies.</li></ul>	p. 11 p. 27
Memory scan does not op- erate.	<ul> <li>The squelch is open.</li> <li>Only 1 memory channel is programmed or other channels are set as skip channel.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Set the squelch to the threshold point.</li> <li>Program other memory channels or cancel the memory skip function in the desired channels.</li> </ul>	p. 11 pgs. 17, 28
Receive audio is distorted.	<ul> <li>The operating mode is not selected correctly.</li> </ul>	• Push and hold [TS•MODE] for 1 sec., then rotate [DIAL] to select suitable operating mode.	p. 10

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