

2.6 INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN (ICS FORM 205)

- a. Purpose. The Incident Radio Communications Plan provides information on all radio frequency or trunked radio system talkgroup assignments for each operational period. The plan is a summary of information obtained from the list of available radio frequencies or talkgroups on the Communications Resource Availability Worksheet (ICS Form 217A) and the assignments of those resources by the Communications Unit Leader for use by the incident. Information from the Incident Radio Communications Plan on frequency or talkgroup assignments is normally placed on the Assignment List (ICS Form 204).
- b. Preparation. The Incident Radio Communications Plan is prepared by the Communications Unit Leader and given to the Planning Section Chief for inclusion in the Incident Action Plan.
- c. Distribution. The Incident Radio Communications Plan is duplicated and given to all recipients of the Objectives form (ICS Form 202) including the Incident Communications Center. Information from the Plan is placed on Assignment Lists.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING
INCIDENT RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PLAN
(ICS FORM 205)**

Item Title	Instructions
Incident Name	Print the name assigned the incident.
Date/Time Prepared	Enter date (month, day, year) and time (24-hour clock) prepared.
Operational Period Date/Time	Enter the date and time interval for which the Incident Radio Communications Plan applies. Record the start time and end time and date(s).
Ch #	Use at the Communications Unit Leader's discretion. Ch # (abbreviated for Channel Number) may equate to the channel number for incident radios that are programmed or cloned for a specific Communications Plan, or it may be used as just a reference line number on the ICS Form 205 document.
Function	Enter the Net function each channel or talkgroup will be used for (Command, Tactical, Ground-to-Air, Air-to-Air, Support, Dispatch)
Channel Name/Trunked Radio System Talkgroup	Enter the nomenclature or commonly used name for the channel or talkgroup.
Assignment	Enter the name of the ICS branch/division/ group/ section to whom this channel/talkgroup will assigned.
Rx Freq N or W	<p>Enter the receive frequency as the mobile or portable subscriber would be programmed using xxx.xxxx out to four decimal places followed by a "N" designating narrowband or a "W" designating wideband emissions.</p> <p>The name of the specific trunked radio system from which the talkgroup is associated may be entered across all fields on the ICS 205 normally used for a conventional channel programming information.</p>

RX Tone/NAC	Enter the receive Continuous Tone Coded Squelch System (CTCSS) subaudible tone or Network Access Code for the receive frequency as the mobile or portable subscriber would be programmed.
TX Freq N or W	Enter the transmit frequency as the mobile or portable subscriber would be programmed using xxx.xxxx out to four decimal places followed by a "N" designating narrowband or a "W" designating wideband emissions.
Tx Tone/NAC	Enter the transmit Continuous Tone Coded Squelch System (CTCSS) subaudible tone or Network Access Code for the transmit frequency as the mobile or portable subscriber would be programmed.
Mode	Enter "A" for analog operation, "D" for digital operation or "M" for Mixed mode operation.
Remarks	Enter miscellaneous information concerning repeater locations, information concerning patched channels or talkgroups using links or gateways, etc.
Prepared by	Enter the name of the Communications Unit Leader or designee and a contact telephone number during the incident such as a cell phone number.
Incident Location	Enter the county and state that the incident is occurring. In addition, enter the latitude and longitude of the highest, most powerful communications repeater system, the incident, or the Incident Command Post at the Communications Unit Leaders discretion. This information will assist Communications Coordinators and frequency coordinators in the identification and minimization of co-channel interference.