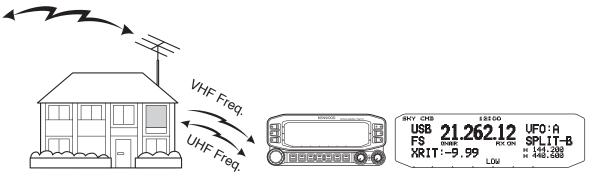
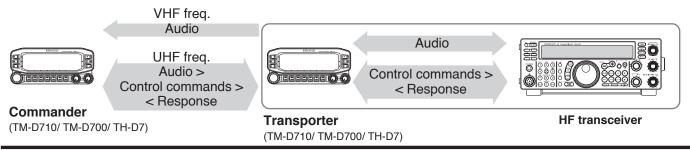
SKY COMMAND II (K TYPE MODELS ONLY)

The Sky Command II allows remote control of a TS-2000, TS-2000X, TS-B2000, TS-480HX, TS-480SAT, TS-570D, TS-570S, or TS-870S HF transceiver.

You will use one transceiver as a control station called "Commander". The transceiver connected with the HF transceiver is called "Transporter". It will function as an interface between the Commander and the HF transceiver. This system allows you, for example, to watch for and hunt DX while washing your car, or to operate the HF transceiver while relaxing in your car, living room, or patio, instead of in your shack.

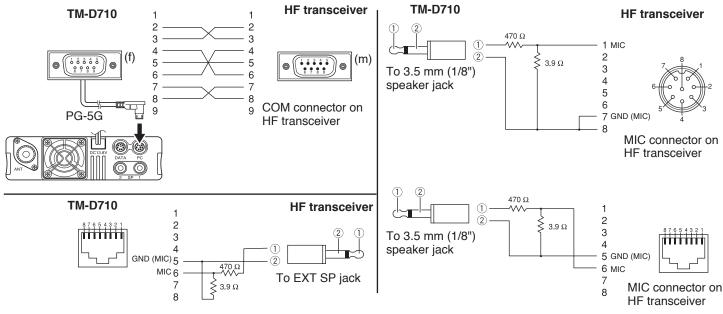


The Commander and Transporter transfer audio and commands as below:



CONNECTING THE TRANSPORTER WITH THE HF TRANSCEIVER

In order to connect the transporter to the HF transceiver, you need to prepare three cables by yourself. For the connection between the PC/ COM connectors on the two transceivers, you may use a commercially available RS-232-C cross-wired cable (A D-SUB female/male conversion adapter is required.)



Note:

- Switch OFF both the Transporter and HF transceiver before making the connection.
- The Transporter automatically transmits its call sign in Morse at regular intervals because of legal requirements; therefore, transmit side tone must be output from the HF transceiver.
- When the Transporter is too close to the HF transceiver, unwanted feedback may cause malfunction.
- Do not share a regulated power supply between the Transporter and the HF transceiver. Unwanted feedback may cause malfunction.

PREPARATION FLOW

The following steps should guide you to a good start of Sky Command operation. First connect the Transporter to the HF transceiver.

- 1 <On the Commander and Transporter> Select the same VHF and UHF frequencies.
- 2 <On the Commander> Access Menu 700 to program a call sign (9 digits max.) for the Commander.

• You may enter your exact call sign; ex. W6DJY.



- 3 <On the Commander> Access Menu 701 to program a call sign (9 digits max.) for the Transporter.
 - This call sign must be different from the one for the Commander. So you may add SSID characters; ex. W6DJY-1.



- 4 <On the Transporter> Access Menu 700 to program the same call sign as you entered in step 2.
- 5 <On the Transporter> Access Menu 701 to program the same call sign as you entered in step 3.the same call sign as you entered in step 2.
- 6 <On the Commander and Transporter> Access Menu 702 and select the tone frequency.
 - · Select the same tone frequency on both transceivers.

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7 <On the Commander> Access Menu 703 and select "COMMANDER".



• "Push [0] key to start Commander!!" appears.



8 <On the Transporter> Access Menu 703 and select "TRANSPORTER".



Now the Commander and Transporter are in Sky Command mode. For operations in this mode, see "CONTROL OPERATION". First switch ON the HF transceiver and press [SYNC] on the Commander. To exit the Sky Command mode, access Menu 703 and select "OFF".

Note:

- Unless you program call signs, you cannot select "COMMANDER" or "TRANSPORTER" using Menu 703.
- On the HF transceiver, select 9600 bps and 1 stop bit (default) using the Menu Set-up function.
- ♦ Adjust the audio level on both the Transporter and HF transceiver while listening to audio output from the Commander. An appropriate position of the AF control on the HF transceiver might be in the range, 8:30 to 9:00.
- To distinguish your various stations or nodes, you can have up to 15 Secondary Station IDentifiers (SSIDs); ex. W6DJY-1 to W6DJY-15. You always have to put a dash between your call sign and SSID number.

PROGRAMMING CALL SIGNS

The built-in TNCs of the Commander and Transporter communicate each other when you send a control command from the Commander. So you must program different call signs (9 digits max.) on these transceivers as the IDs of the TNCs.

Use the following Menu Nos. to program call signs:

On Commander		
700	COMMANDER CALLSIGN	Call sign for Commander
701	TRANSPORTER CALLSIGN	Call sign for Transporter
On Transporter		
700	COMMANDER CALLSIGN	Call sign for Commander
701	TRANSPORTER CALLSIGN	Call sign for Transporter

1 Access Menu 700 or 701, then press the **Tuning** control.

• The callsign entry field appears; the first digit blinks.



- 2 Rotate the **Tuning** control to select a character.
 You can enter 0 to 9, A to Z, and –.
- 3 Press [→].

The cursor moves to the next digit.

- 4 Repeat steps 2 and 3 to enter up to 9 digits.
 [BACK]: Cancels entry of a call sign.
 [<-]: Causes the cursor to move backward.
 [INS]: Inserts the currently selected character.
 [CLR]: Deletes the digit at which the cursor is blinking.
- 5 Press the **Tuning** control to complete the setting.
- 6 Press [ESC] to exit Menu mode.

The keypad on the Microphone also is available to enter alphanumeric characters in step 2.

PROGRAMMING A TONE FREQUENCY

On receiving a tone from the Commander, the Transporter causes the HF transceiver to enter Transmit mode. On both the Commander and Transporter, access Menu 702 and select the desired, same tone frequency.

(12:00)
SKY CMD	702
TONE FREQUENCY	
▶ 88.5 Hz	

CONTROL OPERATION

When in the Sky Command mode, the Microphone keys of the Commander will function as below. First switch ON the HF transceiver and press Microphone [0] on the Commander.



Each time you press the desired key, the Commander will automatically enter transmit mode and send the corresponding control command to the Transporter.

Кеу	Function	
[1] (PWR)	Power ON/ OFF	
[2] (RX)	HF frequency receive ON/ OFF	
[3] (MODE)	Modulation mode switch	
[4] (RIT)	RIT ON/ OFF	
[5] (XIT)	XIT ON/ OFF	
[6] (CLR)	RIT offset or XIT offset clear	
[7] (SPLIT)	Split-frequency ON/ OFF	
[8] (M>V)	Transfer from Memory to VFO	
[9] (A/B)	In VFO mode: VFO A/ VFO B switch In Memory Recall mode: no change	
[0] (SYNC)	Current settings retrieve (from HF transceiver)	
[A] (MONI)	To monitor the UHF band on the Commander	
[B] (M/V)	VFO/ Memory Recall mode switch	
[C] (RX)	XIT/ RIT offset frequency increase	
[D] (RX)	XIT/ RIT offset frequency decrease	
[*] 1 (UP)	In LSB, USB, or CW mode: 10 Hz/ 1 kHz switch In FM or AM mode: 1 kHz/ 10 kHz switch	
[#] ² (DOWN)	In VFO mode: frequency entry ON In Memory Recall mode: channel number entry ON	
[PTT]	To transmit audio on an HF frequency	
"FS" appears when you select 1 kHz step (LSB/ USB/ CW) or 10 kHz		

¹ "FS" appears when you select 1 kHz step (LSB/ USB/ CW) or 10 kHz step (FM/ AM).

² After pressing Mic [#], press Mic [0] to [9] to enter a frequency or memory channel number.

Note: To change the frequency or memory channel on the HF transceiver, rotate the **Tuning** control.