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MASTR[®] II BASE STATION 806-824 MHz RECEIVER IF/AUDIO/SQUELCH & RF ASSEMBLY (25 kHz/12.5 kHz CHANNEL SPACING)

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Maintenance Manual



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Audio Output (to 8-ohm Speaker) 12 dB SINAD (EIA Method) 20 dB Quieting Method

SELECTIVITY

Sensitivity

EIA Two-Signal Method (25 kHz Spacing) 20 dB Quieting Method (25 kHz Spacing) EIA NPSPAC Method (12.5 kHz Spacing)

Spurious Response

Intermodulation (EIA)

Squelch Sensitivity

Critical Squelch Maximum Squelch

Frequency Stability

Acceptable Frequency Displacement (EIA RS 204C)

Full Specifications Maximum Frequency Separation

806-824 MHz

Frequency Response

RF Input Impdedance

to 3000 Hz (1000 Hz reference)

50 ohms

1.60 MHz

*These specifications are intended primarily for the use of the serviceman. Refer to the appropriate Specification Sheet for the complete specifications.

WARNING

Although the highest DC voltage in MASTR II receiver is +12 Volts DC, high current may be drawn under short circuit conditions. These currents can possibly heat metal objects such as tools, rings, watchbands, etc., enough to cause burns. Be careful when working near energized circuits!

High-level RF energy in the transmitter Power Amplifier assembly can cause RF burns upon contact. Keep away from these circuits when the transmitter is energized!

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SPECIFICATIONS*

1 Watt at less than 3% distortion

0.25 µV 0.35 µV

-80 dB -100 dB -20 dB -100 dB

-70 dB

0.18 µV Greater than 12 dB SINAD

±0.0001% (-30°C to +60°C)

 $\pm 3.5 \text{ kHz}$

3 dB Degradation

2.0 MHz

Within +2 and -8 dB of a standard 6 dB per octave de-emphasis curve from 300

DESCRIPTION

MASTR[®] II, 806-824 Megahertz base station receivers are double conversion, superheterodyne FM receivers designed for one frequency operation. The solid state receiver utilizes integrated circuits (ICs), monolithic crystal filters and discrete components with each of the crystal filters located between gain stages to provide 80 dB selectivity and maximum protection from de-sensitization and intermodulation.

The receiver consists of the following modules:

- RF Assembly (Includes Mixer and IF-Amplifier)
- Oscillator/Multiplier (Osc/Mult) •
- IF/Audio and Squelch (IFAS) ٠

Audio, supply voltages and control functions are connected to the system board through P903 on the Osc/Mult board, and P904 on the IFAS board. The regulated +10 Volts is used for all receiver stages except the audio PA stage which operates from the A+ system supply.

Centralized metering jack J601 on the IFAS board is provided for use with GE Test Set 4EX3A11 or Test Kit 4EX8K12. The test set meters the oscillator, multiplier, IF Detector and IF amplifier stages. Speaker high and low are metered on the system board metering jack.

A block diagram of the complete receiver is shown in Figure 3.

Refer to the appropriate Maintenance Manual for complete details on each receiver module listed in the Table of Contents.

MAINTENANCE

DISASSEMBLY

For a more complete mechanical parts breakdown refer to the station manual. To service the receiver from the front:

- Turn the two latching knobs (A) counterclockwise to unlatch the Radio Housing Front door. Refer to Figure 1. 1.
- 2. Swing the Radio Housing Front Door down as shown.
- **3.** Remove the top cover.

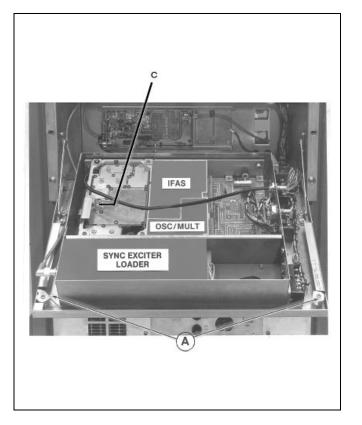
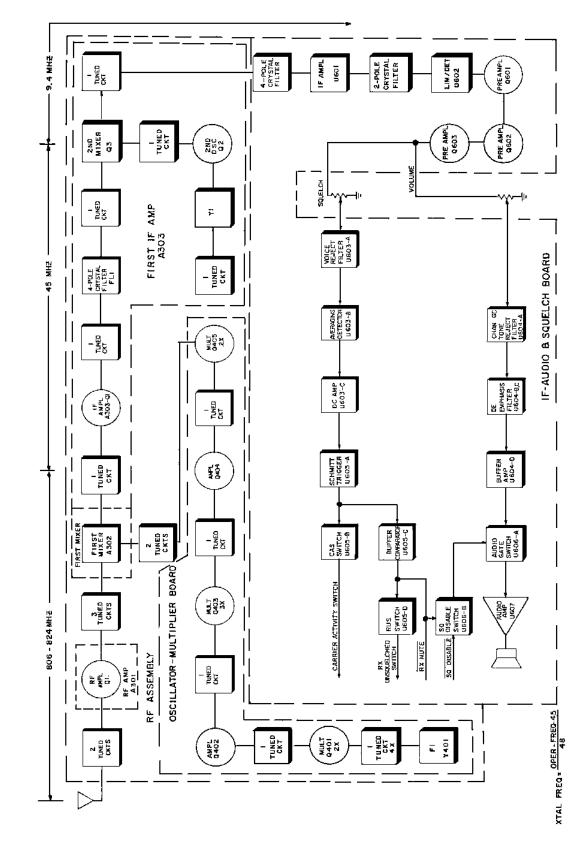


Figure 1 - Access To Receiver (Top & Bottom)



Figure 2 - Access To Wing Nut Holding Receiver Frame



FRONT END ALIGNMENT



- GE Test Set Models 4EX3A11, 4EX8K12, or 20,000 ohms per Volt multimeter with a 1 Volt scale. 1.
- A 806-824 MHz signal source. 2.

PRELIMINARY CHECKS AND ADJUSTMENTS

- 1. Connect black plug from Test Set to Receiver centralized metering jack J601, and red plug to System Board metering jack J905. Set meter sensitivity switch to the TEST 1 position (or 1 Volt position on 4EX8K12).
- With Test Set in Position J, check for regulated +10 Volts. If using multimeter, measure between J905-3 (+) and J905-9 (-). 2.
- 3. If using multimeter, connect the negative lead to J601-9 (A-).
- Disable Channel Guard. 4.

ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

	METERING POSITION				
STEP	GE TEST SET	MULTIMETER -AT J601-9	TUNING CONTROL	METER READING	
				OSCILLA	FOR/MULT
1.	C (MULT-1)	Pin 3	L401, L403 & L404	Maximum	Tune L40
2.	D (MULT-2)	Pin 4	Z401 & Z402	See Procedure	Tune Z40 meter read
3.	F (MULT-2)	Pin 7	C306, V307, Z401 & Z402	See Procedure	Tune C30 Readjust 2
	•	·		RF S	ELECTIVI

NOTE: IF AMP meter range is 0-700 mVdc with a high impedance DC voltmeter.

4.	B IF AMP	Pin 1	C301 thru C305, A303-L1	Maximum	Apply an until abou (IF AMP) improves until no fu
5.	B IF AMP	Pin 1	C306 & C307	Maximum Quieting	Tune capa quieting r

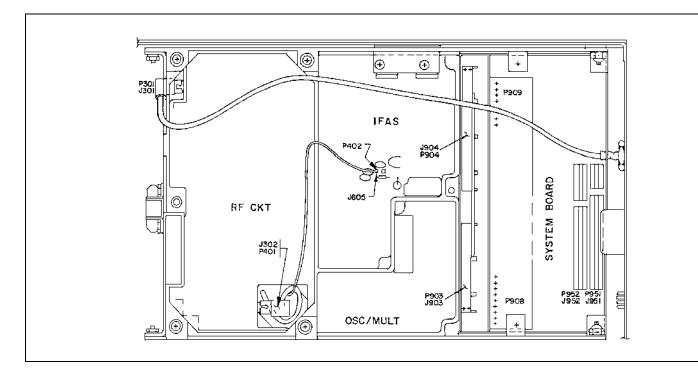


Figure 4 - Receiver Module Location

To service the Receiver from the bottom or to remove any of the **3.** Swing the Radio Housing Front Door down as shown. receiver boards:

- 1. Remove the wing nut (B) on the Radio Housing Front door. Refer to Figure 2.
- 2 Turn the two latching knobs (A) counterclockwise to unlatch the Radio Housing Front Door. Refer to Figure 1.
- 4. Remove the top cover.
- 5. Grasp the Receiver Housing Handle at (C) and swing the Housing out to reveal the bottom side of the receiver.
- **6.** Refer to Figure 4 for Receiver Module location.

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PROCEDURE

TIPLIER

401, L403 & L404 for maximum meter reading.

401 for a peak then tune Z402 for a dip. Repeak Z401 for a maximum ading.

307 for a peak and then C306 for a dip (C306 & C307 on RF Assembly). Z401 and Z402 for a peak.

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n on frequency signal to the antenna jack. Increase the generator level out 10 dB of noise quieting occurs, then tune C301 through C305 and L1 P) for best quieting, decreasing the level of the generator as the quieting s to maintain about 10-20 dB of noise quieting. Repeat these adjustments further noise quieting improvement can be achieved.

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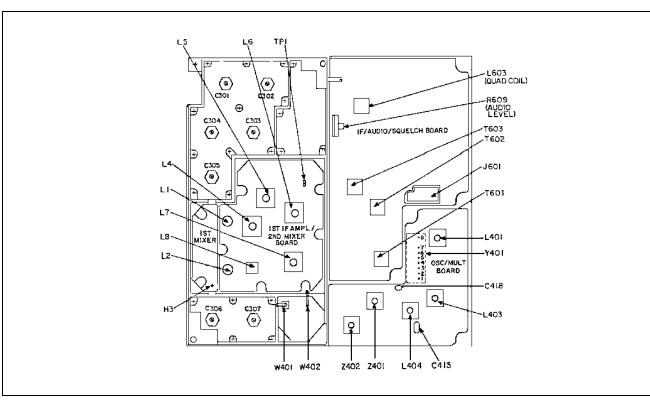


Figure 5 - Test Points and Alignment Controls

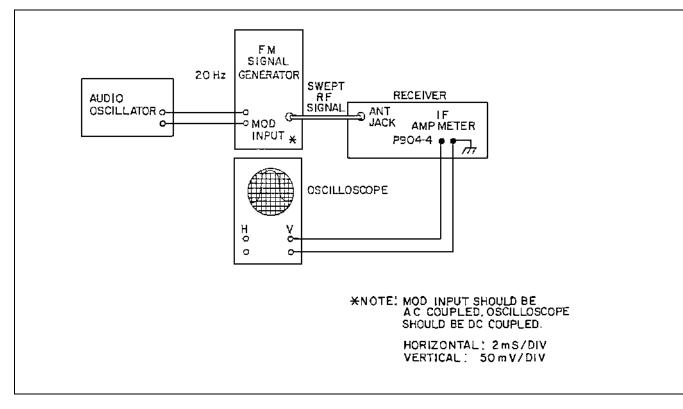


Figure 6 - Test Setup for 20 Hz Double-Trace Sweep Alignment

ICOM FREQUENCY ADJUSTMENT

First, check the frequency to determine if any adjustment is required. The frequency should be set with a frequency meter or counter with an absolute accuracy which is 5 to 10 times better than the tolerance to be maintained, and with the entire radio as near as possible to an ambient temperature of 27.5°C (81.5°F).

MASTR II ICOMs should be reset only when the frequency shows deviation in excess of the following limits:

- A. ± 0.2 PPM, when the radio is at 27.5°C (81.5°F).
- B. 1 PPM at any other temperature within the range -30°C to +85°C (-22°F to +185°F.

If an adjustment is required, pry up the cover on the top of the ICOM to expose the trimmer, and use one of the following procedures:

If the radio is at an ambient temperature of $27.5^{\circ}C$ (81.5°C), set the oscillator for the correct operating frequency.

If the radio is at an ambient temperature of 27.5°C, setting errors can be minimized as follows:

To hold the setting error to ± 0.1 PPM (which is considered reasonable for 1 PPM ICOMs):

- 1. Maintain the radio at 27.5 °C (\pm 5 °C) and set the oscillator to desired frequency, or -
- 2. Maintain the radio at $27.5^{\circ}C$ ($\pm 10^{\circ}C$) and offset the oscillator, as a function of actual temperature by the amount shown in the chart (see Figure 7).

For example: Assume the ambient temperature of the radio is 18.5°C (65.4°F). At that temperature, the curve shows a correction factor of 0.44 PPM. (At 806 MHz, 1 PPM is 761 Hz. At 824 MHz, 1 PPM is 779 Hz).

With an operating frequency of 824 MHz, set the oscillator for a reading of 343 Hz (0.44 x 779 Hz) higher than the licensed operating frequency. If a negative correction factor is obtained (at temperatures above 27.5°C) set the oscillator for the indicated PPM lower than the licensed operating frequency.

This example assumes the measurement is made at the injection frequency (FR -45) at H3 on the 1st mixer.

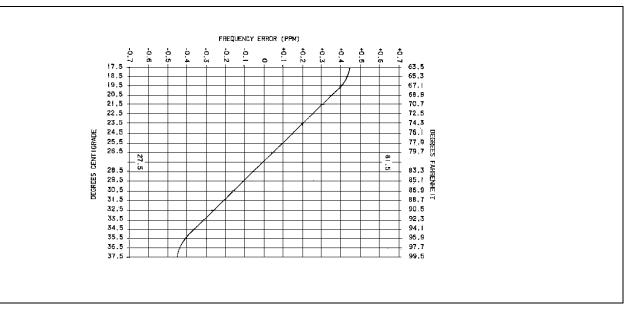


Figure 7 - Frequency Characteristics Vs. Temperature

ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

COMPLETE RECEIVER ALIGNMENT

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

- 1. GE Test Set Models 4EX3A11, 4EX8K12, (or 20,000 ohms-per Volt multimeter with a 1- Volt scale).
- 2. A 806-824 MHz signal source HP8640 or equivalent.
- 3. DVM.
- 4. Distortion Analyzer.
- 5. Frequency Counter.
- 6. RF Voltmeter.

PRELIMINARY CHECKS AND ADJUSTMENTS

- 1. Connect the black plug from the Test Set to Receiver metering jack J601, and the red plug to System Board metering jack J905. Set the meter sensitivity switch to the Test 1 (or 1- Volt position on the 4EX8K12).
- 2. With the Test Set in position J, check for regulated +10 Volts. With multimeter, measure from J905-3 to J905-9.
- 3. If using multimeter, connect the negative lead to J601-9 (A-)
- 4. Disable the Channel Guard.

ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE

	METERI	NG POSITION			
	GE TEST	MULTIMETER	TUNING	METER	
STEP	SET	-AT J601-9	CONTROL	READING	PROCEDURE
				FM	1 DETECTOR
1.	A (FM DET)	Pin 2	L603	0.38 Volt	With no signal applied, adjust L603 for a meter reading of approximately 0.38 Volt.
	I	L		OSCILLA	ATOR/MULTIPLIER
2.	C (MULT-1)	Pin 3	L401, L403 & L404	Maximum	Tune L401, L403 & L404 for maximum meter reading.
3.	D (MULT-2)	Pin 4	Z401 & Z402	See Procedure	Tune Z401 for a peak then tune Z402 for a dip. Repeak Z401 for a maximum meter reading.
4.	F (MULT-3)	Pin 7	C306, C307, Z401 & Z402	See Procedure	Tune C307 for a peak and then C306 for a dip (C306 & C307 on RF assembly). Re-adjust Z401 and Z402 for a peak.
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NOTE	E: IF AMP me	eter range is 0-700 r	nVDC with a high	impedance DC	voltmeter.
5.			L6	See Procedure	Connect RF voltmeter to TP1. Adjust L6 for maximum meter reading.
6.			L5	See Procedure	Connect counter to TP1. Adjust L5 for 35.600 MHz (±100 Hz).
7.	В	Pin 1	C301 thru	Maximum	Apply an on frequency signal to the antenna jack. Increase the generator level until

				Procedure	
7.	В	Pin 1	C301 thru	Maximum	Apply an on frequency signal to the antenna jack. Increase the generator level until
	IF AMP		C305, A303-L1		about 10 dB of noise quieting occurs. Then tune C301 through C305 and L1 (IF AMP)
					for best quieting, decreasing the level of the generator as the quieting improves to
					maintain about 10-20 dB of noise quieting. Repeat these adjustments until no further
					noise quieting improvement has been achieved.

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ALIGNMENT PROCEDURE (Cont'd.)

	METER	ING POSITION			
STEP	GE TEST SET	MULTIMETER -AT J601-9	TUNING CONTROL	METER READING	
8.			L603, R609	See Procedure	Remove with 1 I System adjust F and P90
				MIX	KER & IF
	nixer and IF red in STEP		aligned at the factory		ally requi)TE —
			AFILE BULLETIN 1 how to determine who		
9.			L2, L4, L8 T601, T602, and T603		Connec generate probe be
			1		NOTE:
10.				See Procedure	NOTE: maximu
10.				Procedure	trace as NOTE: maximu Check t

TEST PROCEDURES

These Test Procedures are designed to help you to service a receiver that is operating---but not properly. The problems encountered could be low power, poor sensitivity, distortion, limiter not operating properly, and low gain. By following the sequence of test steps starting with Step 1, the defect can be quickly localized.

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TEST EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

- Distortion Analyzer similar to:
- HP331A, or an equivalent average response meter
- Signal Generator similar to: HP8640B
- 6-dB attenuation pad, and 8.0 ohm, 2 Watt resistor

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PROCEDURE

ve the Test set metering plug from J601. Apply a 1000 microvolt signal kHz modulation and 3 kHz deviation (2.4 kHz deviation for NPSPAC ns) to the antenna jack. Tune L603 for maximum voltage at 1.0 kHz and R609 for 1 Volt RMS measured with a DVM at P904-11 (VOL/SQ HI) 004-17 (A-).

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ire no further adjustment. If adjustment is necessary, use the procedure

of Two-Way Radio FM Receivers) for helpful ired.

ct scope, signal generator, and probe as shown in Figure 7. Set signal tor level for 3 to $5 \,\mu$ V and modulate wih 20 Hz at 12 kHz deviation. With between J601-1 and A-, tune L2, L4, L8, T601, T602 and T603 for double s shown on scope pattern.

: Two traces should be coincident on the skirts. Top should be tuned for um width without creating a dip in the middle of the passband.

to see that modulation acceptance bandswidth is greater than ± 7 kHz.

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QUELCH ADJUST control (R953) to open with a 6dB SINAD signal. 3 SINAD signal when receiver is used in GE-MARC V Applications). 5 oximately 30° counterclockwise of critical squelch position).

Once the defective stage is pin-pointed, refer to the "Service 'heck" listed to correct the problem. Additional corrective neasures are included in the Troubleshooting Procedure. Bepre starting with the Receiver Test Procedures, be sure the ecciver is tuned and aligned to the proper operating frequency.

PRELIMINARY ADJUSTMENTS

1. Connect the test equipment to the receiver as shown in Figure 8 for all steps of the receiver Test Procedure.

2. Turn the SQUELCH control fully clockwise for all steps of the Test Procedure.

Turn on all of the equipment and let it warm up for 20 minutes.

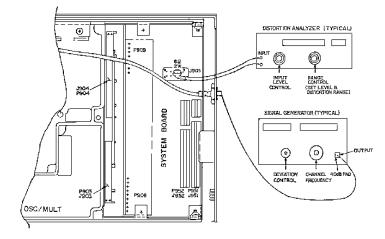


Figure 8 - Receiver Test Setup

STEP 1

AUDIO POWER OUTPUT AND DISTORTION

TEST PROCEDURE

Measure Audio Power Output as follows:

- Apply a 1,000 microvolt, on frequency test signal modulated by 1,000 Hertz with 3.0 kHz deviation to antenna jack J937. (2.4 kHz deviation for systems with 12.5 kHz Channel Spacing, i.e. 821-824 MHZ). A.
- B. Disconnect speaker lead by unplugging P1102 from J1 on the back of the mother board of the control shelf. If a service speaker is present, put the switch in the OFF position.

Connect an 8.0 ohm, 2 Watt load resistor from J905-1 to J905-2 on the System Jack. Connect the Distortion Analyzer input across the resistor as shown.

Adjust the Volume Control R3 using the Distortion Analyzer as a DVM.

With 1 Watt Service Speaker.

Set the service speaker switch in the OFF position.

Adjust the VOLUME control for 1 Watt output (2.83 VRMS using the Distortion Analyzer as a DVM.)

C. Make distortion measurements according to manufacturer's instructions. Reading should be less than 3%. If the receiver sensitivity is to be measured, leave all controls and equipment as they are.

SERVICE CHECK

If the distortion is more than 3%, or maximum audio output is less than specified above, make the following checks:

- D. Regulator voltage---low voltage will cause distortion. (Refer to Receiver Schematic Diagram for voltages.)
- E. Audio Gain (Refer to Receiver Troubleshooting Procedure.)
- FM Detector Alignment (Refer to Receiver Alignment.) F.

TEST PROCEDURES

STEP 2

USABLE SENSITIVITY

(12 dB SINAD)

If STEP 1 checks out properly, measure the receiver sensitivity as follows:

- A. Apply a 1000 microvolt, on frequency signal modulated by 1000 Hz with 3.0 kHz deviation to A301-J1.
- With Function Switch on Distortion Analyzer set to VOLTMETER position, adjust volume control for 1.0 Watt (2.83 VRMS B. across 8 ohm load). Again, verify that audio output is nulled when Function Switch is set to DISTORTION position.
- Place the RANGE switch to the SET LEVEL position (filter out of the circuit) and adjust the SET LEVEL control for a +2 С. dB reading on a mid range (30%).
- While reducing the signal generator output, switch the FUNCTION control from SET LEVEL to DISTORTION until a 12 D. dB difference (+2 dB to -10 dB) is obtained between the SET LEVEL and DISTORTION positions (filter out and filter in).
- The 12 dB difference (Signal plus Noise and Distortion to noise plus distortion ratio) is the "usable" sensitivity level. The Е. sensitivity should be less than rated 12 dB SINAD specification with an audio output of 1.0 Watt across the 8.0 ohm load.
- F. Leave all controls as they are and all equipment connected if the Modulation Acceptance Bandwidth test is to be performed.

SERVICE CHECK

If the sensitivity level is more than the rated 12 dB SINAD specification, check the alignment of the RF stages as directed in the Alignment Procedure, and make the gain measurements as shown on the Troubleshooting Procedure.

STEP 3

MODULATION ACCEPTANCE

BANDWIDTH (IF BANDWIDTH)

If STEPS 1 and 2 check out properly, measure the bandwidth as follows:

- A. Adjust output power for 0.1 Watts (894 mVRMS across 8 ohm load). Measure 12 dB SINAD.
- Set the Signal Generator output for twice the microvolt reading obtained in the 12 dB SINAD measurement.. B.
- While increasing the deviation of the Signal Generator, switch the Function Switch from SET LEVEL to DISTORTION until С. a 12 dB difference is obtained between the SET LEVEL and DISTORTION range readings (from +2 dB to -10 dB).
- The deviation control reading for the 12 dB difference is the Modulation Acceptance Bandwidth of the receiver. It should be D. more than ± 7 kHz.

SERVICE CHECK

If the Modulation Acceptance Bandwidth test does not indicate the proper width, make gain measurements as shown on the Receiver Troubleshooting Procedure.

TROUBLESHOOTING PROCEDURES

STEP 1 - QUICK CHECKS

TEST SET CHECKS

These checks are typical readings measured with GE Test Set Model 4EX3A11 in the Test 1 position, or Model 4EX8K12 in the 1-Volt position.

MET	ERING POSITION	READING WITH NO SIGNAL IN
А	(FM DET)	Approximately 0.38 VDC
В	(IF Amp)	0.0
С	(MULT-1)	0.9 VDC
D	(MULT-2)	0.7 VDC
F	(MULT-3)	0.5 VDC
J	(Reg. +10 Volts at System	+10 VDC

SYMPTOM CHECKS

SYMPTOM	PROCEDURE
NO SUPPLY VOLTAGE	• Check power connections, continuity of supply leads. Check fuse and replace if blown. Check receiver for short circuits.
NO REGULATED 10-VOLTS	• Check the 120 Volt supply. Then check 10 Volt regulator circuit. (See Troubleshooting Procedure for 10 Volt Regulator).
LOW IF AMP READING	• Check supply voltages and then check oscillator reading at P904- 1 & -2 as shown in STEP 2.
	• Make SIMPLIFIED DVM GAIN CHECKS from Mixer through IF Amplifier stages as shown in STEP 2.
LOW OSCILLATOR/MULTIPLIER READINGS	• Check alignment of Oscillator/Multiplier chain. (Refer to Front End Alignment Procedure).
	• Check voltage readings of Oscillator/Multiplier chain (Q401, Q402, Q403, Q404, Q405).
LOW RECEIVER SENSITIVITY	• Check Front End Alignment. (Refer to Receiver Alignment Procedure).
	• Check antenna connections, cable and antenna switch.
	Check both Oscillator injection voltages.
	• Check voltage readings of IF Amplifiers.
	• Make SIMPLIFIED GAIN CHECKS (STEP 2).
IMPROPER SQUELCH OPERATION	Check voltages on Schematic Diagram.
	• Check voltages as shown in the table below.
	• Make gain and waveform checks with 6 kHz signal as shown in Step 4.
	• Check discrete components in the squelch circuit.
LOW OR DISTORTED AUDIO	Check voltages on Schematic Diagram.
	• Make gain and waveform checks.

		SQUELCHED	UNSQUELCHED
NOISE SQ OUTPUT	U605-2	0.2 VDC	9.9V
CAS	U605-1	0.1 VDC	9.9V
RX MUTE	U605-14	0.2 VDC	9.9V
RUS	U605-13	0.2 VDC	4.9V
SQ DISABLE SW. INPUT	U606-1	0.2 VDC	9.9V
AUDIO GATE SW. CONTROL	U606-11	0.2 VDC	9.9V

If Exteral Decoder is used (CG, DCG, Type 99, etc.), \overline{RX} Mute will remain low (regardless of noise squelch output), until proper response is decoded. \overline{RX} Mute = Noise Sq Output • Decoder Output.

In above cases, \overline{Sq} Disable is assumed high (9.9V). If \overline{Sq} Disable is grounded, U606-10 = 0.2 Vdc, U606-11 = 9.9 Vdc and Unit is unsquelched for all conditions.

SQUELCH CHECKS

STEP 3-VOLTAGE RATIO READINGS EQUIPMENT REQUIRED 306-825 MH E. RE VOLTMETER (SIMILAR TO BOONTON MODEL 91-CA OR MILLIVAC TYPE MV-18 C. SIGNAL ON RECEIVER FREQUENCY (BELOW SATURATION). CORRECT FREQUENCY CAN BE DETERMINED BY FM DET READING OF 0.38 VDC. USE 1.000 HERTZ SIGNAL WITH 3.0 KH2 DEVIATION. I ST MIXER CRI,CR2 I ST IF AMPL A303 QI RF AMP A30i QI PROCEDURE : L APPLY PROBE TO INPUT OF STAGE (FOR EXAMPLE, SOURCE OF RF AMP), PEAK RESONANT CIRCUIT OF STAGE BEING MEASURED AND TAKE VOLTAGE READING (E1). J30I C303 C304 C30 MIXER MOVE PROBE TO INPUT OF FOLLOWING STAGE (MIXER). REPEAK FIRST RESONANT CIRCUIT THEN PEAK CIRCUIT BEING MEASURED AND TAKE READING (E2). C306 3. CONVERT READINGS BY MEANS OF THE FOLLOWING FORMULA. C307 VOLTAGE RATIO: $\frac{\epsilon_2}{2}$ L P401 4. CHECK RESULTS WITH TYPICAL VOLTAGE RATIOS SHOWN ON DIAGRAM. MULT 0405 (2X) \sim MULT Q401 (2X) MULT Q403 (3X) STEP 4-SQUELCH WAVEFORMS MULT AMPL Z402 (4X) Q402 AMPL PRELIMINARY STEPS 1. OUIET RECEIVER WITH 1000 AV MODULATED SIGNAL 2 SET MODULATION FREQUENCY TO 6 KHz 3. SET DEVIATION TO 3 KHz 4. ADJUST SQUELCH POT (R901 IN SYSTEMS AREA) FOR 120 MVSPA T SO ARM (P904-10) 5. USE 10 M ohm PROBE XTAL Y40i Q404 MORIZONTAL SO ... SEC/OIV STEP 2-SIMPLIFIED GAIN CHECKS -VERTICAL 200mV/DIV EQUIPMENT REQUIRED: 1. DVM - AC & DC 2. SIGNAL GENERATOR 3. RF VOLTMETER PRELIMINARY STEPS: 1. SET VOLUME R3 CONTROL FOR 2.83 VOLTS ACROSS 8 OHM LOAD. ๎฿ 2. SET SQUELCH CONTROL FULLY COUNTERCLOCKWISE 3. RECEIVER SHOULD BE PROPERLY ALIGNED. 4. CONNECT METER BETWEEN A- AND POINTS INDICATED BY ARROW. HORIZONTAL SO SEC/DIV VERTICAL 200 mV/DIV Ô HORIZONTAL 50# SEC/DIV VERTICAL 200mV/DIV BASELINE + 0 VDC

D APPROX 3.2 VDC

E APPROX 10.0 VDC

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