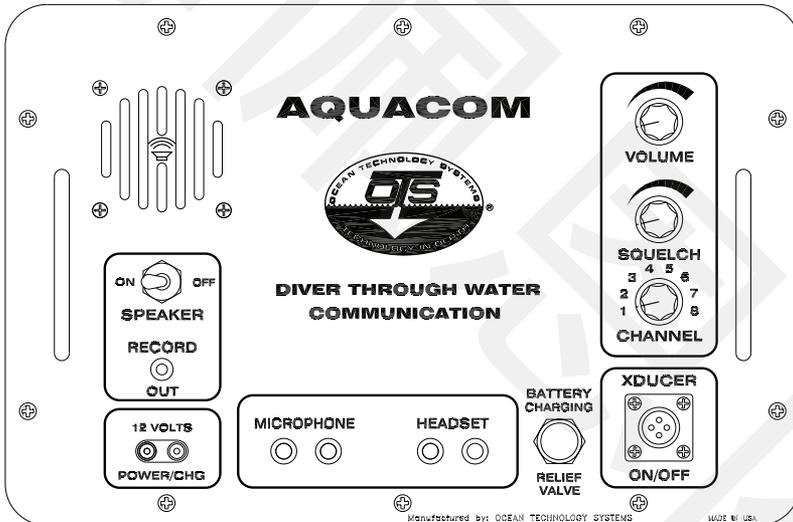


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STX-101, STX-101M, & STX-101SB

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SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

Congratulations! You have just purchased the finest, state-of-the-art underwater communication system available. The Aquacom® STX-101, STX-101M, and STX-101SB are compact, ultrasonic, single sideband transceivers designed to allow surface-to-diver and/or diver-to-surface through-water communications. The STX series employs *digital signal processing* techniques, which ensure the highest performance possible.

The STX-101/M/SB offers many useful features to ensure user-friendly performance, such as front-panel squelch control, a heavy-duty panel speaker, a record-out connector (female RCA), a multichannel selector (STX-101 and STX-101M only), a heavy-duty waterproof housing, external power accommodations for 12 volts, a headset (optional) with boom microphone output, easy battery access, and much more. In all, the STX-101/M/SB Portable Surface Station is second to none!

1.1 FEATURES

The Aquacom® STX-101, STX-101M, and STX-101SB are packaged in the same housing (although the STX-101SB's panel controls differ somewhat from those of the other two) and are similar transceivers. The major differences among the three products are as follows (also see Table 1):

The STX-101 is equipped with four channels, including Channel 1 (32.768 kHz upper sideband), which is commonly used by sport divers. Most of the Buddy Phone® systems utilize Channel 1. If an STX-101 user makes a selection other than Channel 1, 2, 3, or 4, the transceiver will emit a beeping sound to alert the user that the selected channel is not available. The unit is rated at 5 watts and comes standard with a 32.768 kHz transducer assembly and a hand-held microphone. Optional rechargeable batteries and a charger are available, although alkaline batteries can be used. The STX-101 is designed to operate primarily with the SSB-2010 commercial transceiver but also works great with our standard Buddy Phone® transceivers (such as the XT-100, MKII-BUD, MTS-BUD, SCU-BUD, RX-100, etc.), the SSB-2001B-2, the SP-100, and the Magnacom® MAG-1001S, MAG-1003D, MAG-1004HS, and MAG-1003-PS—as well as any other single sideband transceiver within range and on the same frequency.

The STX-101M is equipped with eight channels, including the most commonly used military frequency, 25 kHz upper sideband. The first four channels are the same as those of the STX-101. Provided with the transceiver are rechargeable batteries and the RCS-13 smart charger, although alkaline batteries can be used. The STX-101M is rated at 10 watts and is equipped with a heavy-duty 25 kHz transducer assembly. The hand-held microphone is high quality, ensuring clear communications. The STX-101M was designed to meet the demands of the military diver and functions

with our SSB-1001B U.S. Navy-approved diver transceiver. The STX will operate with most transceivers on the market, as well as virtually all of the OTS wireless transceivers produced.

The STX-101SB is equipped with one channel, either 25kHz upper sideband (standard) or 8kHz upper sideband (optional). It is a high-power (70-watt) surface station designed to be used for communication with diving bells that use the BELL-200 bell back-up system. Rechargeable batteries and the RCS-13 smart charger are provided with the transceiver (alkaline batteries should *not* be used with the STX-101SB). The system includes a high-quality hand-held microphone.

Note: This manual will refer to the STX-101, STX-101M, and STX-101SB transceivers collectively as STX-101/M/SB. Wherever we present information that is not common to all, we will refer to them by their individual model numbers.

Table 1
A Comparison of the STX Portable Surface Transceivers

<u>Transceiver</u>	<u>Channels</u>	<u>Transmit Power Rating</u>	<u>Batteries & Charging</u>	<u>Application</u>
STX-101	4	5W PEP	(2) 6V, alkaline, spring-type or RB-6V rechargeable (not provided)	Sport/Commercial
STX-101M	8	10W PEP	(2) 6V, alkaline, spring-type or RB-6V rechargeable with RCS-13 charger (provided)	Military
STX-101SB	1	70W PEP	(2) RB-6V rechargeable with RCS-13 charger (provided)	Communication with diving bells

1.2 SPECIFICATIONS

Transmitter output power (nominal):	STX-101: 5 watts PEP ¹ STX-101M: 10 watts PEP STX-101SB: 70 watts PEP												
Audio output to speaker:	4 watts												
Modulation:	Single sideband with no carrier												
Operating channels:	<table> <tr> <td rowspan="8">STX-101M</td> <td rowspan="8">}</td> <td rowspan="8">STX-101</td> <td rowspan="8">}</td> <td>Channel #1: 32.768 kHz USB² (Sport)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Channel #2: 32.768 kHz LSB²</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Channel #3: 31.250 kHz USB</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Channel #4: 31.250 kHz LSB</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Channel #5: 28.5 kHz USB</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Channel #6: 28.5 kHz LSB</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Channel #7: 25 kHz USB (Military)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Channel #8: 25 kHz LSB</td> </tr> </table>	STX-101M	}	STX-101	}	Channel #1: 32.768 kHz USB ² (Sport)	Channel #2: 32.768 kHz LSB ²	Channel #3: 31.250 kHz USB	Channel #4: 31.250 kHz LSB	Channel #5: 28.5 kHz USB	Channel #6: 28.5 kHz LSB	Channel #7: 25 kHz USB (Military)	Channel #8: 25 kHz LSB
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Power:	STX-101SB: 25kHz USB ² or 8kHz USB Two 6-volt alkaline lantern batteries with springs (MN908 Duracell or equivalent) or two optional RB-6V gel-cell batteries. <i>STX-101SB: Use RB-6V rechargeable batteries only (not alkaline).</i>												
Battery life (with 10% duty cycle) ³ :	STX-101: Alkaline 20 hrs., gel cells 12 hrs. STX-101M: Alkaline 12 hrs., gel cells 8 hrs. STX-101SB: Gel cells 6 hrs. (do not use alkaline)												
External power:	12 volts DC at a minimum of 4 amps. Access via the front panel with the use of mini banana plugs.												
Transducer:	Piezoelectric type												
Squelch:	User adjustable from the front panel												
Volume:	User adjustable from the front panel												
Microphone:	Hand-held, dynamic, 200-ohm impedance												
Record output jack:	Panel-mounted female RCA connector (line level)												
Activation (On/Off):	On connection of transducer cable to STX-101/M/SB												
Headset/external speaker jack:	Panel-mounted banana jacks (external speaker/headset)												
Housing:	Heavy-duty UK 603 case												
Control panel:	Stainless steel												
Receiver sensitivity:	Greater than 100 dBv												
Automatic gain control (AGC):	Greater than 100 dBv												
Transmitter speech freq. bandwidth:	300 Hz to 3500 Hz												
Housing dimensions:	Height: 6.500 in., width: 14.000 in., depth: 10.600 in.												
Weight:	12 lbs. (with batteries)												
Battery chargers:	RCS-13: 90-260 VAC input; 12 VDC, 1300 mA, 60 Hz output												

1. PEP = "peak envelope power."

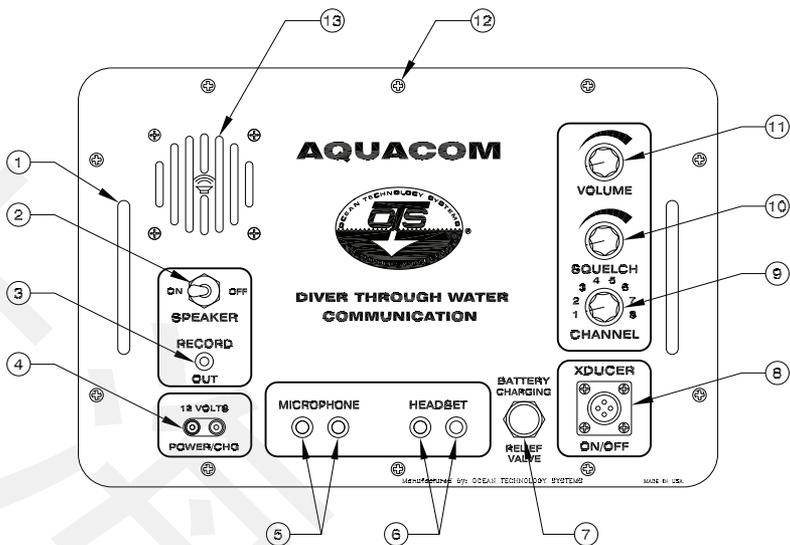
2. USB is "upper sideband"; LSB is "lower sideband."

3. The actual battery life is variable, so the time periods stated here are approximate.

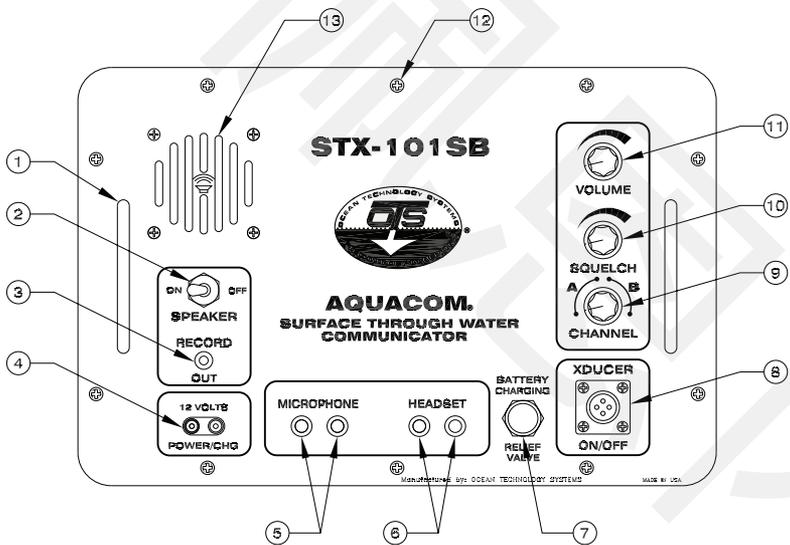
1.3 FUNCTIONS

See Figure 1 throughout.

1. HANDLE: One of two front-panel handles.
2. SPEAKER switch: Toggle switch used to turn the front-panel speaker on or off.
3. RECORD OUT: This female RCA receptacle is used to connect to any type of recording system. It supplies “Line Level” signal output.
4. 12 VOLTS POWER/CHG: Used when an external 12-volt DC power source is desired. Ensure the source has a minimum of 4 amps. This receptacle is also used to charge rechargeable batteries.
5. MICROPHONE: This receptacle is used for a hand-held microphone or headset with boom microphone.
6. HEADSET: Can be used with an optional THB-101 headset. You can also use this outlet for an external, remote speaker using a dual banana plug.
7. BATTERY CHARGING RELIEF VALVE: This relief valve must be open when charging rechargeable batteries. We also recommend that the relief valve be opened when transporting the unit via aircraft, to allow depressurization at increased altitude.
8. XDUCER ON/OFF: The unit will power up and cycle to the receive mode when the transducer cable is connected to the female receptacle (#8). If you are not using the system, disconnect the transducer cable to conserve energy.
9. CHANNEL: The STX-101M has eight channels, the STX-101 has four channels, and the STX-101SB has one channel (Section 1.2, Specifications). If using the STX-101 and you choose an unprogrammed channel, a beeping sound will alert you to select a working channel. The STX-101SB's channel select switch is labeled with channels A and B, but both settings access the same channel.
10. SQUELCH: The squelch control is designed to help suppress background noise created by sea creatures and/or man-made sound (e.g., snapping shrimp, croakers, or motor boat or pool pump noise). When the squelch is rotated completely counterclockwise, the squelch is deactivated and all noises within range will be heard. You will also obtain the maximum reception range. When you rotate the squelch clockwise, you begin to eliminate background noise. However, you also *decrease* your range.
11. VOLUME: The volume control adjusts the listening volume from the front-panel speaker. Clockwise increases volume, and counterclockwise decreases it.
12. SCREW: One of ten (10) Phillips-head, #8-32 stainless steel screws. They all must be removed to gain access to the battery compartment and mother board. Be careful not to lose the screws.
13. SPEAKER: Heavy-duty front-panel speaker.



(A) STX-101 & STX-101M



(B) STX-101SB

Figure 1. Panel Layout

SECTION 2

BATTERIES AND INSTALLATION

The STX-101/M is powered by two 6-volt, heavy-duty, alkaline spring-type batteries (MN908 Duracell) or two RB-6V rechargeable 6-volt batteries. With the STX-101SB, use only lead-acid rechargeable batteries, not alkaline.

2.1 BATTERY SELECTION

With the STX-101/M, for best results use two 6-volt, heavy-duty, alkaline spring-type lantern batteries: Eveready Heavy Duty Alkaline #528 or Duracell Heavy Duty Alkaline #ID9150 will provide the best results for most diving operations. You can use standard 6-volt, spring-type lantern batteries in a pinch; however, battery life will be greatly reduced. **IMPORTANT NOTE: You must use 6-volt lantern batteries with spring contacts. The threaded type of lantern batteries will not work. The RB-6V rechargeable batteries should be used with the STX-101SB; do not use alkaline batteries.**

2.2 BATTERY INSTALLATION

1. Locate and remove the ten screws found on the front panel (Fig. 1, #12). You do not have to remove the front-panel screws located around the front-panel speaker grill (Fig. 1, #13).
2. Carefully remove the front panel. Be careful not to stress the connecting wire

- Key
- 14. Wing nuts securing battery bracket
 - 15. Battery printed circuit board (PCB)
 - 16. Battery-retaining bracket
 - 17. Battery plate
 - 18. RB-6 batteries (two)
 - 19. Wire harness connector
 - 20. Hardware securing feet and battery plate

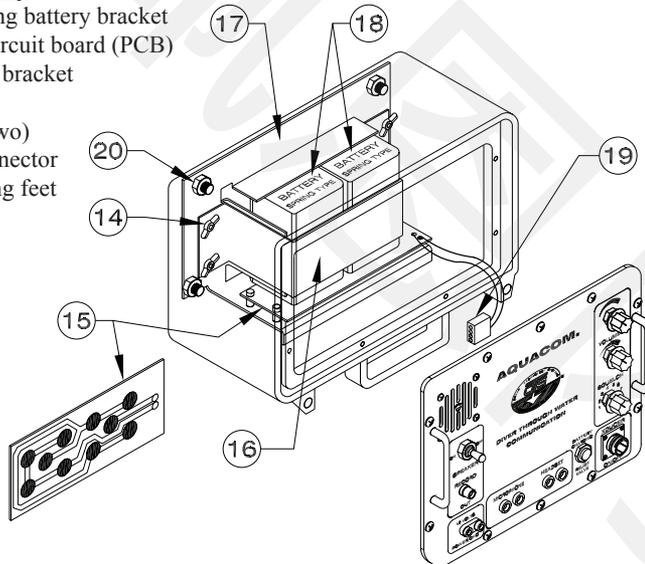


Figure 2. Battery System

- harness while setting aside the front panel.
3. Remove and set aside the wing nuts (Fig. 2, #14).
 4. Remove and set aside the battery-retaining bracket (Fig. 2, #16).
 5. Insert two lantern batteries, battery springs facing toward the battery printed circuit board (Fig. 2, #15). Ensure they are firmly seated in the bottom of the battery bracket housing.
 6. Replace the battery-retaining bracket, and tighten the wing nuts securely.
 7. Ensure the wire harness is plugged into the correct connector on the printed circuit board (Fig. 3). When *alkaline* batteries are used, the harness (Fig. 3, #19) must be plugged into receptacle J8 (Fig. 3, #21). When *rechargeable* batteries are used, the harness must be plugged into J9 (Fig. 3, #22). **If this procedure is not followed properly, damage may occur.** If you are trying to charge batteries with the harness plugged into the wrong socket, the charger's current will not be channeled to the batteries. It is also important you do not try to charge alkaline batteries.
 8. While the unit is open, you may want to verify that the four screws securing the feet and the battery plate assembly are tightly secured (Fig. 2, #20).
 9. Replace the front panel, ensuring you have not pinched any wires. Do not overtighten the ten front-panel screws (technical information: tighten to 6 inch-pounds).

IMPORTANT NOTE: *The silver pads located on the battery printed circuit board (Fig. 2, item #15) are configured to accept the spring contacts found on a 6-volt, spring-type lantern battery at any axis at which the 6-volt lantern batteries are installed. The spring contacts of the batteries must be in contact with the printed circuit board in order for the system to work. Installing the batteries in the wrong direction (spring contacts away from the printed circuit board) may cause damage to the unit or batteries, and/or the STX-101/M/SB will not operate.*

2.3 LOW-BATTERY ALERT

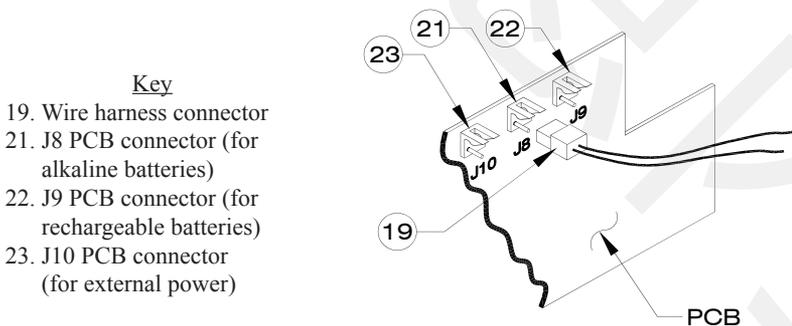


Figure 3. Connection of Battery Wire Harness

Table 2
Low-Battery Alert Voltage Levels

<u>Voltage (V)</u>	<u>Tone Frequency</u>
10	2 minutes
9	1 minute
8	30 seconds
6	N/A (power switches off)

The STX-101/M/SB is equipped with a unique low-battery alert. Table 2 indicates how often the alert tone sounds as the battery voltage drops. When the battery voltage falls below 6 volts, the microcomputer switches the system power off, preventing damage of gel-cell-style batteries. When using standard alkaline batteries, you should have approximately one half hour more service from the first tone alert.

2.4 RB-6V 6-VOLT RECHARGEABLE BATTERY

When utilizing the optional RB-6V sealed lead-acid battery, you will attain the maximum performance of self-contained batteries (two are required). The STX-101M and STX-101SB come standard with two RB-6V batteries. Install the batteries per the instructions found in Section 2.2. When using or charging the RB-6V batteries, ensure the power harness in the battery compartment (Fig. 2, #19) is connected to J9 (Fig. 3, #22) on the circuit board. This channels the charger's current to the batteries.

Note: The battery you receive may have upgraded specifications from what is stated in this manual. Due to advancing battery technologies, we continually upgrade our batteries and chargers. Contact OTS or your OTS dealer to find out the latest available battery and charger.

2.5 BATTERY CHARGING

Once the RB-6V rechargeable batteries are installed, charging them is simple. If in the U.S., you will need an **RCS-13** smart charger. If you intend to use the charger outside the U.S., cut off the plug and install the appropriate connector.

We recommend you first make the connection between the panel's 12-volt "Power/CHG" port (Fig. 1, #4) and the charger cable. Then plug the cable into your power source.

The charging time for a depleted battery is 4-6 hours. Anytime you are charging the batteries, the front-panel "Battery Charging Relief Valve" (Fig. 1, #7) should be opened. Leave it open and do not operate the STX-101/M/SB for approximately 15 minutes after charging. This procedure will give the system time to dissipate any off-gassing from the batteries. After the process is complete, close the "Battery Charging Relief Valve."

2.6 ALTERNATE POWER SOURCE

The external receptacle (Fig. 1, #4) provides an easy terminal for a marine or automotive 12-volt DC source. This terminal can also be used with any external power source providing 12 volts and a minimum of 4 amps capacity. This receptacle is also used for charging the internal rechargeable batteries.

- IMPORTANT SAFETY NOTES -

- **Before charging the batteries, verify that they are RB-6V rechargeable batteries, the vent is open, and the internal plug is connected to the proper connector (Fig. 1, #7 and Fig. 3, #22).**
- **Do not charge alkaline or heavy-duty batteries. Damage to the STX-101/M/SB, an explosion, and/or injury may occur.**
- **Always wait a minimum of 15 minutes for any gasses expelled from the charged batteries to dissipate before powering up the STX-101/M/SB.**

SECTION 3

OPERATION

The STX-101/M/SB was designed to be portable and easy to operate. After you have properly installed either 6-volt lantern alkaline or the optional RB-6V batteries, you are ready to set up your surface station for use.

The STX-101/M/SB is an ultrasonic, through-water communication system. It must be operated using water as the transmission medium. You will be able to talk to all other divers and surface stations on the same frequency and within range. When you speak, your voice is sent out in an omni-directional pattern via the transducer to all other transceivers within range. The transducer is the antenna that both sends out and receives signals.

The following are the recommended operating procedures:

1. Ensure all batteries are properly installed and fresh and the front panel is installed without any pinched wires.
2. Place the STX-101/M/SB on a surface that is secure from boat action and in a place where the transducer cable will not trip anyone.
3. Open the cover of the STX-101/M/SB, and connect the transducer cable to the front panel (Fig. 1, #8). Connecting the transducer cable powers up the STX-101/M/SB. When not using the STX-101/M/SB, disconnect the transducer cable to conserve battery power.
4. Lower the transducer into the water. If using a boat, lower the transducer so it clears the hull. If the base station is set up on a beach, the transducer should be suspended from a float. Under no circumstances should the transducer lie on the bottom. (If the transducer lies on the bottom, it will cause most of the transmitting and receiving signals to be greatly reduced. The result will be poor range and weak or no communications.) If a current is running and you must have a weight on the transducer to keep it from flagging, tie the weight to a separate line and marry the transducer cable to the separate line. Lower the line with the weight and transducer into the water, and tie it off.
5. Adjust the volume to a comfortable listening level.
6. Adjust the squelch. The squelch will help suppress background noise, which is typically caused by marine biological (e.g., snapping shrimp) or man-made (propellers, engines, equipment, etc.) noise. It is important to know that the squelch adjustment will affect the range: The more squelch you apply, the less range you will achieve.
7. With the STX-101 and STX-101M, select a channel that all other divers and/

or surface stations will be using. Channel 1 for the STX-101 and Channel 7 for the STX-101M are most efficient and recommended.

8. Connect the hand-held microphone to the microphone receptacle (Fig. 1, #5). If a headset is desired, connect the headset connector to the headset receptacles (Fig. 1, #6).
9. If you would like to record, connect a male RCA plug into the "Record Out" receptacle of the STX-101/M/SB. Connect the other end of the record patch cable to the recorder's "Record In." Ensure the tape recorder is recording when the STX-101/M/SB is operated. *Note: This level is "line level."*
10. If you use a 12-volt boat power or an alternate power source, ensure the source is capable of 12 volts DC at a minimum of 4 amps.

Upon completion of the above steps, the STX-101/M/SB will be ready for use. The unit will already be in the receive mode and listening for incoming signals. To talk to a diver and/or another surface station, hold the hand-held microphone within 1/4 inch of your lips, depress the push-to-talk (PTT) switch located on the side of the hand-held microphone, and speak slowly. When you release the PTT button, the STX-101/M/SB will automatically go into the receive mode.

You must remember that all divers are hearing many sounds underwater (e.g., bubbles or biological or man-made noises). Try to get the attention of the diver you want to talk to, and then give him the message slowly. An example of this would be: "Alpha Diver, Alpha Diver, this is Topside, come in Alpha Diver." Alpha Diver, hearing his name, will get ready for the message and reply, "This is Alpha Diver, go ahead Topside."

We have found that talking to divers in short sentences works better than in long sentences. This gives the diver a chance to take a breath and still receive a clear message.

SECTION 4

MAINTENANCE

Although the Aquacom® STX-101/M/SB has a rugged design, it should be treated like any quality electronic instrument. Avoid transportation modes that would expose the unit to constant vibrations and knocking about. Ship the unit well packaged.

After use, wipe the unit free of dirt, debris, and water. Use a clean, soft cloth. Warm water with a small amount of non-abrasive soap is the recommended cleaning solution.

The transducer should be kept clean and free of oils. The transducer itself can be cleaned with denatured alcohol. The transducer assembly should be stored in a separate container if wet after a dive.

Store the hand-held microphone and optional headset in a dry area. The microphones are *not* waterproof and are barely water resistant. Keep them free of water or from water spray. Mild soap solution wiped dry is the preferred cleaning method.

Inspect the batteries periodically to ensure they are in good order and free of leaks.

When the STX-101/M/SB is not being used, it is a good idea to keep the cover securely fastened.

Remember, when the transducer assembly is connected to the STX-101/M/SB, the power is on. To conserve energy when securing or cleaning, disconnect the transducer connector from the front panel.

SECTION 5

HELPFUL HINTS AND TIPS

The following helpful hints should help you understand how to use the STX-101/M/SB:

5.1 TRANSDUCER

It is important that the transducer be protected. It is designed with a material that can break if sharply hit or impacted. It is also important you do not hang the transducer in a position that is blocked or lying on the bottom. All divers should inform everyone if they go below a thermocline. If possible, lower the transducer to the same depth as the divers in the thermocline. It is extremely important to remember to pull the transducer up when moving a vessel. Many transducers have been lost when cut off by a propeller.

5.2 HAND-HELD MICROPHONE OR HEADSET

Most hand-held microphones or headsets are not waterproof. Keep them as dry as possible.

5.3 PLACEMENT OF THE STX-101/M/SB

The STX-101/M/SB should be placed where it can be heard easily. If working out of a boat, locate a place where you can secure the unit where boat action will not cause it to fall. Also, remember to dress the transducer cable in such a way that divers and topside personnel will not trip over it.

5.4 TALKING AND LISTENING

When talking to divers, keep in mind they have a lot of things going on while underwater. It is best to get the diver's attention before giving him a message. Example: "*Mark, Mark, this is Topside, come in Mark.*" Mark answers and then listens for your message. Example: "*Topside, this is Mark, go ahead.*"

Also remember to talk slowly and in one continuous sentence. Try not to make long sentences. It is always a good idea to have the divers repeat the message back to ensure they understood what you said.

Listening to divers is usually easier than divers' listening to the topside tender. Again, repeat what you heard the divers say to ensure everyone is communicating accurately.

Talking and listening relating to diving is something that takes practice and will improve every time a team works together. The U.S. Navy has found that wireless communications definitely have an associated learning curve. It took about three days of diving per Navy diver to become proficient with the equipment. Do not

be discouraged when first using wireless communications.

5.5 IN THE BEGINNING

If this is the first time you or anyone on your team is using communications, we recommend the team get together to talk about the system. Practice alternative communications in the event something is not working. Plan to use a second channel everyone knows to use in the event someone gets off the working channel. A pool session or a place where the team can practice in a controlled environment is recommended. You will find it takes about three full dives before you will be talking and listening like the pros. Have fun and we hope to see you on a communication dive in the future!

SECTION 6

TROUBLESHOOTING

<u>PROBLEM</u>	<u>PROBABLE CAUSE</u>	<u>REMEDY</u>
No power	Battery exhausted	Replace battery.
	Battery leads loose	Check battery connection.
	Defective on/off transducer connector	Change connector.
	Open circuit on board	Replace board or send unit to OTS for repair.
Power only for a short time when transducer connector is connected	Defective boot circuit	Replace board or send unit to OTS for repair.
	Defective CPU chip	Replace board or send unit to OTS for repair.
No receive signal	Loose leads from transducer connector	Check and repair.
	Board connectors loose	Clean pins and reconnect.
	Defective transducer	Replace transducer.
	Defective transceiver on/off switch	Replace switch.
	Defective volume or squelch control	Replace control.
Transmitter inoperative	Transceiver board defective	Replace.
	No audio from microphone	Replace microphone.
	Microphone signal path disrupted on board	Trace open connection. Repair or replace board.
	Board connectors not making contact	Clean pins or replace defective connector.
	Bad trace on board	Repair trace, replace board, or send unit to OTS for repair.
	PTT logic circuits defective	Repair trace, replace board, or send unit to OTS for repair.

<u>PROBLEM</u>	<u>PROBABLE CAUSE</u>	<u>REMEDY</u>
	Weak battery	Charge (if rechargeable) or replace.
	Microphone pre-amp circuit defective	Replace board or send unit to OTS for repair.
	Defective CPU chip	Replace board or send unit to OTS for repair.
No record-out function	Board connector not making contact	Clean pins or replace defective connector.
	Defective record amp	Replace board or send unit to OTS for repair.
Power OK but cannot transmit or receive	Defective CPU	Replace board or send unit to OTS for repair.
	Defective channel switch	Replace switch.
	Defective channel switch circuit board	Replace board or send unit to OTS for repair.
	Transducer or cable defective	Replace.
	Defective PLL synthesizer	Replace board or send unit to OTS for repair.
	Defective components in modulator signal path	Replace board or send unit to OTS for repair.
Weak transmission	Transducer ceramic cylinder fractured	Replace.
	Microphone weak	Replace microphone.
Distorted, unintelligible speech	Transmitting or receiving on the wrong channel	Switch to correct channel.

- LIMITED WARRANTY-

The Aquacom® STX-101/M/SB is warranted against defects in materials and/or workmanship for a period of one year from the time of purchase. Items not manufactured by OTS are covered by their manufacturer's warranty. Our obligation under this warranty is limited to the replacement of any part or parts that prove to our satisfaction to have been defective and that have not been misused or carelessly handled. The complete unit and/or part must be returned to our factory, transportation charges prepaid. We will ship all components back UPS Ground service in the U.S.A. or, if outside the U.S., the best way possible. We reserve the right to decline responsibility where repairs have been made or attempted by other than OTS factory-trained personnel or an approved OTS service center. In no event shall OTS be liable for consequential damages.

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