



Radio Quick Reference Notes

Police radio must be used for all search critical or confidential information.

BSAR CB radios to be used with discretion; only for mundane messages within and between BSAR groups.

<p>Radio checklist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • fully charged battery • spare(s) batteries carried • correct channel • on 'high' power • keypad 'locked' • know base & all groups call-signs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • know allocated search areas • test ALL radios • record important messages • record grid reference and times • comm's contingency plan? E.g. mobile phone nos, SPOTs • actively listen to ALL traffic • Do not use UHF CB channels 1-8,11,22,23,31-38,40
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<p>Prowords</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "[recipient] this is [caller]" • "Over" • "Out" • "Standby" • "Roger" or "Received" • "Affirmative" • "Negative" • "Say again" • "Relay" • "All stations this is [caller]" • "I spell ..." • "Figures" • "Red Red Red" 	<p>means</p> <p>Speak the intended recipient's name first.</p> <p>Over to you to respond</p> <p>That's the end of this radio exchange</p> <p>I am signing off and will initiate another communication in a few minutes when I am ready to resume this exchange..</p> <p>I understand your information/instruction and will act upon it.</p> <p>Yes</p> <p>No</p> <p>Repeat your last transmission/instruction.</p> <p>This is not from me. I am just passing this on.</p> <p>I will spell using a designated code word for each letter, for clarity of reception. [See the next table for the alphabet code words.]</p> <p>I am about to speak in digits.</p> <p>A real emergency. Used when training at the start of a genuine message.</p>
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"I SPELL..."					
A - Alpha	F - Foxtrot	K - Kilo	O - Oscar	S - Sierra	W - Whiskey
B - Bravo	G - Golf	L - Lima	P - Papa	T - Tango	X - X-ray
C - Charlie	H - Hotel	M - Mike	Q - Quebec	U - Uniform	Y - Yankee
D - Delta	I - India	N - November	R - Romeo	V - Victor	Z - Zulu
E - Echo	J - Juliet				

Radio message format examples
• BSAR2 this is BSAR1. Over [note: call sign of the station being called first, and your call sign second]
• VKC this is BSAR2. Our ETA at Big Hill is 1315hrs. Over [reply will be: BSAR 2 this is VKC. Roger. Out]
• BSAR1 this is BSAR3. The location is Cope Hut. I Spell Charlie Oscar Papa Echo (pause) Hotel Uniform Tango Over
• VKC this is BSAR5. The phone number you require is figures 0409 111 345. I repeat figures 0409 111 345. Over
• VKC this is BSAR4. Boot print located at Grid Reference 55H 0349955 5807933. Over. [Say slowly with pauses] [note: Search critical grid references must be a full grid reference read from a GPS.]
• VKC this is BSAR2. We are stopped for lunch at creek junction Grid Reference 452 768. Over. [note: non-critical, routine grid references are given in 6 figures format for ease of transmission and plotting.]
• VKC this is BSAR4. We will arrive back at search base at zero-nine thirty-hours. Over [use 24 hour clock].
• VKC I am receiving you loud and clear
• VKC You are breaking [readable, weak, unreadable, not heard, distorted]