

Two-Way Radio Etiquette

1. Don't turn the volume up all the way. It's usually easier to hear if it's turned lower.
2. Press the "Talk" button a second or so *before* you begin speaking. It takes the radio some time to begin transmitting. This will prevent your first word from being cut off.
3. Hold the "Talk" button a second or so *after* you finish speaking. This will prevent your last word from being cut off.
4. Identify yourself and who you are speaking to with each transmission. Say for example, "Scott Glauser to command center".
5. If your radio does not transmit a tone when you release the "Talk" button, you should say "over" after each transmission so others will know when you have finished speaking.
6. Speak clearly and slowly. It's sometimes difficult for others to understand because radios aren't as clear as telephones.
7. Hold the radio two to three inches away from your mouth and speak directly into the microphone.
8. Remove the batteries for storage as they may leak over time and damage the radio.