

PACKET OPERATIONS AT FIRE STATIONS 1, 2, 3 & 4

Fire Stations 1, 2, 3 and 4 have packet kits with a radio, TNC, power supply for both, computer, heavy-duty extension cord, and instructions and cables for connecting everything. There is either a duplexer or triplexer at each station so that a second radio can be attached for voice communications. There is no printer. There is also a clipboard/storage container with some forms and some additional cables and antenna adaptors. The details for each station and directions for locating the antenna drop are provided separately.

WHAT TO BRING WITH YOU

You will need a separate dual-band radio for voice communications, and cables and adaptors for connecting it to the duplexer or triplexer (which require UHF type connectors). The adaptors specified in the county Go Kit list should be sufficient. Bring a supply of forms such as those specified in the county Go Kit (213, 309, etc.) A thumb drive for copying messages from Outpost is also a good idea.

POWER

The fire stations all have back-up generators but you might need to supply your own power in a long-duration event. The packet radios have power-pole connectors which you can attach to your own battery.

ENTERING A STATION

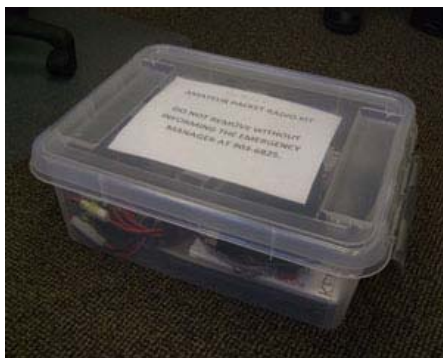
Park in the location specified for the station. If the door is locked, use the code provided by the AEC to enter the building. Call out to make sure that anyone there knows you have entered. Be prepared to show ID.

SETTING UP

If you are using an office to set up, make sure that you will not be interrupting any of the firemen in that office. If you might be in the way, ask them for an alternate location.

SECURITY

Members of the public may not be admitted to the fire stations. Entry codes should not be spoken over the radio.



Packet kit in Plastic Box



Clipboard / storage container



Duplexer and triplexer