

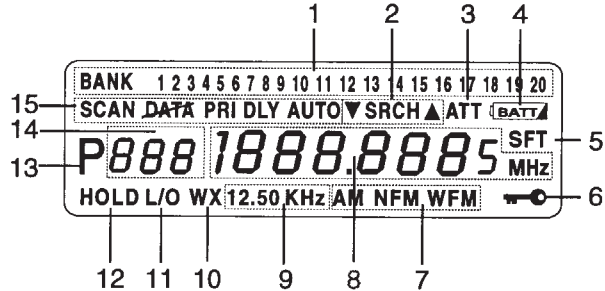
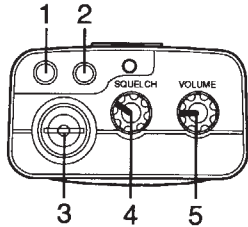
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## **BC3000XLT**

400 Channel, 20-Bank  
Scanning Radio with  
25MHz to 1.3GHz  
Scanning Range

**OPERATING GUIDE**

## Controls and Indicators



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2. Earphone Jack
3. Antenna Connector
4. Squelch Control
5. On/Off Volume Control

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2. Search Indicator
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9. Frequency Step Indicators
10. Weather Scan
11. Lockout
12. Hold
13. Priority Channel
14. Channel Number
15. Mode Indicators

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## Precautions

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Before you use this scanner, please read and observe the following:

### **Earphone Warning!**

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Be sure to use only the recommended optional monaural earphone (EP008). You may also use a 32Ω stereo headset. Use of an incorrect earphone or stereo headset may be potentially hazardous to your hearing. The output of the Phone jack is monaural, but you will hear it in both headphones of a stereo headset.

Set the Volume to a comfortable audio level coming from the speaker before plugging in the monaural earphone or a stereo headset of the proper impedance (32Ω). Otherwise you might experience some discomfort or possible hearing damage if the Volume suddenly becomes too loud because of the Volume Control or Squelch Control setting.

This may be particularly true of the type of earphone that is placed in the ear canal.

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### **WARNING!**

Uniden **does not** represent this unit to be waterproof. To reduce the risk of fire or electrical shock, **do not** expose this unit to rain or moisture.

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### **IMPORTANT!**

The installation, possession, or use of this scanning radio in a motor vehicle may be prohibited, regulated, or require a permit in certain states, cities, and/or local jurisdiction. Your local law enforcement officials should be able to provide you with information regarding the laws in your community.

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### **General Battery Warning!**

**Do not** short circuit any Battery.  
**Do not** discard Batteries in a fire; they may explode.

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### **Nickel-Cadmium Battery Warning!**

When using Nickel-Cadmium Batteries with this product, take note of the following warnings:

Cadmium is a chemical known to the State of California to cause cancer.

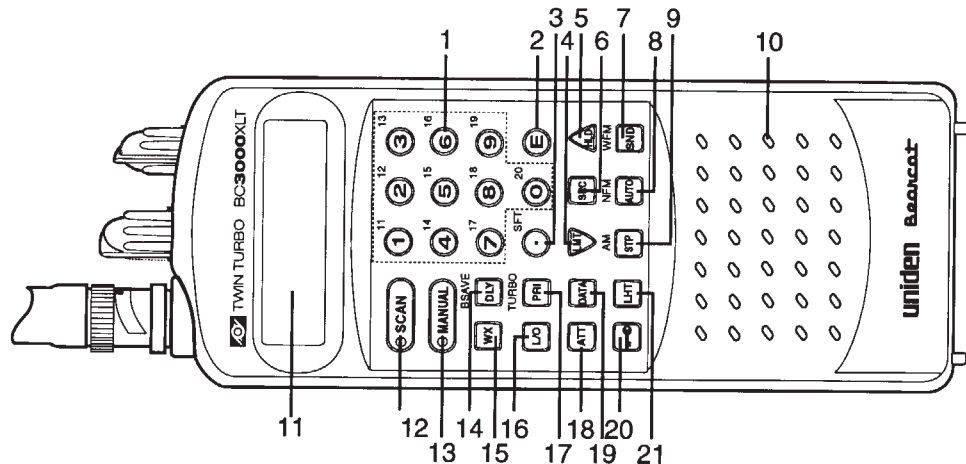
**Do not** charge Nickel-Cadmium Batteries with any charger other than the one supplied with this product. Using another charger may damage the Batteries, or cause them to explode.

### **Nickel-Cadmium Batteries must be disposed of properly**

Residents of Minnesota should contact 1-800-225-PRBA for information concerning reclamation and disposal of nickel-cadmium batteries.

Residents outside of Minnesota should contact their local authorities for information concerning reclamation and disposal of nickel-cadmium batteries.

# Controls and Indicators



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## Introduction

Your BC3000XLT Scanner is a sophisticated information radio that allows you to monitor 17 different frequency bands and the NOAA weather-information broadcasts. (See "Frequency Bands and Steps" on Page 43.) These bands include radio information sources such as

- Police and Fire Departments
- Aircraft
- Business and Industrial
- Utility
- Trucks, Buses, Taxis, and Trains
- Marine and Amateur (*ham*) radio
- Motion Picture and Press Relays
- Public Service
- And Many More

You can program the BC3000XLT with up to 400 *channels* that are divided into 20 *banks*. This arrangement of banks and channels allows you to easily select which frequencies you want to scan at any time. See "Scanner Basics" on Page 7.

Your scanner comes with the *Betty Bearcat Starter Frequency Guide* that provides a starting place for your scanning adventures. You can also contact a local scanning club or go to your local library for more information about interesting frequencies in your area.

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### Additional Features

The BC3000XLT has so many features, it might take you a while to become familiar with them all. But the following summary lets you know what's available and directs you to the appropriate section of this Operating Guide for more detailed information.

**Twin Turbo™ Scan/Search**—Delivers a maximum scan rate of 100 channels-per-second, and lets you increase the search rate from the normal 100 frequencies-per-second to 300 frequencies-per-second when searching by 5 kHz steps. See "Using Turbo Search" on Page 29.

**25 MHz - 1.3 GHz Range**—Provides you with almost limitless scanning possibilities.

**Note:** This range is not continuous. See "Frequency Bands and Steps" on Page 43.

**Automatic Battery Save** - Switches the unit to standby to conserve battery life.

**Auto-Store**—Lets you automatically store active frequencies in empty channels. See “Auto-Store Programming” on Page 15.

**Auto-Sort**—In the Scan Mode, sorts the channels in each bank by frequency to increase scanner efficiency.

**Priority Channels**—Designates one channel in each of the first 10 banks for special scanning access. See “Using Priority Scan” on Page 24.

**Scan/Search Delay**—In the Scan or Search Mode, causes the scanner to remain on a frequency two seconds after the last transmission to wait for a possible reply. See “Using Scan Delay” on Page 25 and “Using Search Delay” on Page 30.

**Direct Channel Access**—Allows you to manually select a specific channel without scanning. See “Selecting a Specific Channel” on Page 33.

**Direct Frequency Programming**—Allows you to program a specific frequency into a

channel without searching. See “Manual Programming” on Page 10.

**Frequency Transfer**—Lets you transfer a frequency into an empty channel. See “Transferring a Channel Frequency” on Page 17.

**Variable Frequency Steps**

**(Increments)**—In the search or Manual Mode, lets you change the steps between frequencies. See “Changing the Frequency Step” on Page 36.

**Channel/Frequency Lockout**—Lets you temporarily remove channels or frequencies from the scanning or search cycle. See “Locking Out Channels” on Page 21 and “Locking Out Frequencies” on Page 30.

**Signal Attenuation**—Reduces the scanner’s sensitivity for unusually strong signals often found on the WFM (wide frequency modulation) bands. See “Using Signal Attenuation” on Page 38.

**Data Skip**—Lets you set the scanner to automatically continue searching or

scanning (after three seconds) when it encounters an unmodulated or data signal. See “Using Data Skip” on Page 35.

**Weather Channel Scan**—Lets you easily locate the strongest NOAA weather channel in your area. See “Scanning Weather Channels” on Page 34.

**Keypad Lockout**—Temporarily disables the keypad to prevent accidental pressing of keys. See “Keypad Lockout” on Page 9.

**Memory Backup**—When the battery is disconnected, retains the frequencies stored in memory for up to seven days.

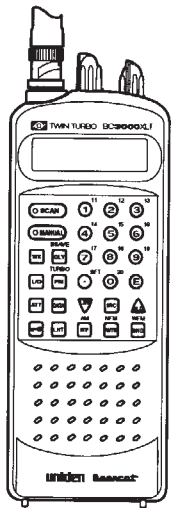
**External Speaker & Earphone**

**Jacks**—Allow you to connect an external speaker or earphone for custom listening. See “Supplied Scanner Accessories” on Page 4 and “Optional Accessories & Replacement Parts” on Page 40.

**Display Light**—Lets you view the display more easily in dark or low-light conditions. See “Display Light” on Page 39.

## Included with your Scanner

Your BC3000XLT Scanner comes with the following standard equipment. (See "Optional Accessories & Replacement Parts" on Page 40.)



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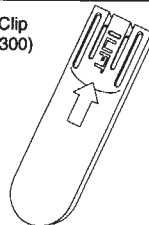
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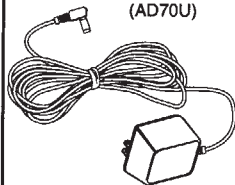
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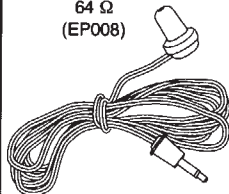
Belt Clip  
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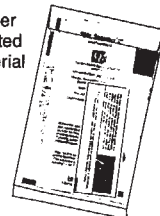
AC Adapter  
(AD70U)



Monaural Earphone  
64  $\Omega$   
(EP008)



Other  
Printed  
Material



- Read this Operating Guide thoroughly before you use the scanner.
- Immediately fill out and mail the supplied Registration Form.
- If any of the above items are missing or damaged, contact the place of purchase.



## Power

Your scanner's nickel-cadmium battery can power the scanner for up to 5 hours on a full charge.

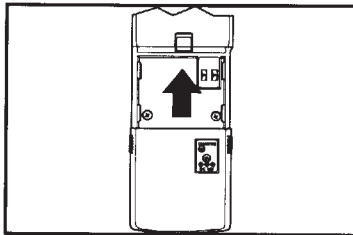
Before you use the scanner the first time, and whenever the **[BATT]** indicator appears, you should fully charge the battery.

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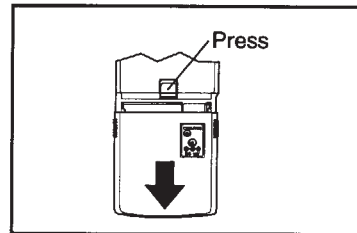
- Install the battery before you charge it.
- When the **[BATT]** indicator appears, there is about 10 minutes of power left. If you don't turn off the scanner within 10 minutes, it automatically turns off to prevent the battery from fully discharging.

## Installing/Removing the Battery

1. Turn off the scanner.
2. Slide the battery on.

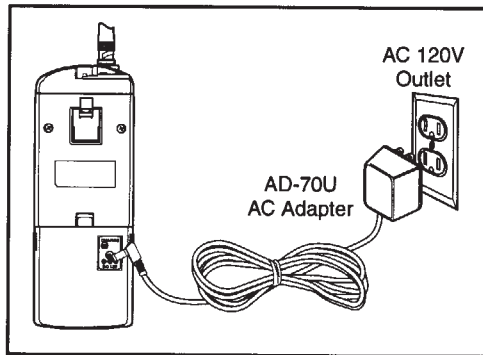


To remove the battery, press the release button and slide the battery off.



## Charging the Battery

Use the AC Adapter/Charger to power the BC300XLT from an AC outlet.



**Warning!** Use only the supplied AC adapter/charger. Other external power sources could cause overheating or damage the scanner circuits.

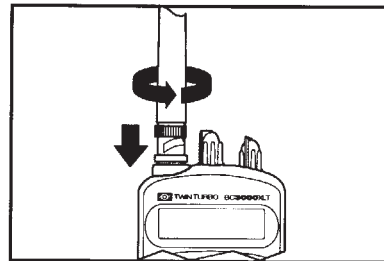
## Notes:

- It takes 14 - 16 hours to fully charge the battery.
- You can operate the scanner while the battery charges.
- Disconnect the adapter/charger during a power failure.

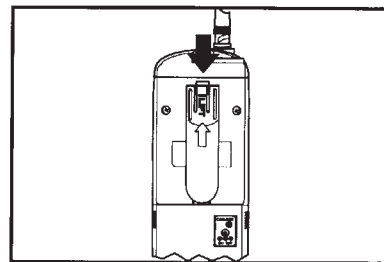
See also, "Battery Maintenance" on Page 41.

**Caution:** The AC Adapter included with this scanner may be equipped with a polarized alternating line plug (a plug with one blade wider than the other). This plug will fit into the power outlet only one way. If you are unable to insert the plug fully into the outlet, try reversing the plug. If the plug should still fail to fit, contact an electrician to replace the obsolete outlet. Do not alter the shape of the blades to the polarized plug.

## Attaching the Antenna



## Installing the Belt Clip



To remove, lift where marked. Push in direction of arrow.

To use your scanner with confidence, it's extremely helpful to understand the following *scanner basics*.

### Banks and Channels

*Banks* and *channels* are the way stored frequencies are organized in your scanner.

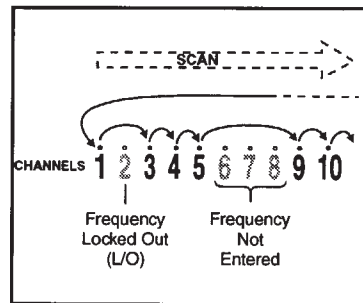
- A *channel* is a memory location where you store a frequency. The channels in the BC3000XLT are numbered 1 - 400.
- A *bank* is a group of channels. The BC3000XLT has 20 banks with 20 channels in each.

You can turn each bank on or off to control whether its channels are included during scanning. When you turn off a bank, its channels are not erased, but are only temporarily excluded from scanning. This allows you to customize your scanning without constantly deleting and re-programming the channel frequencies.

You can also temporarily *lock out* individual channels within a bank during scanning. This lets you further customize your scanning without deleting channel frequencies. See "Locking Out Channels" on Page 21.

### Scanning Versus Searching

Scanning and searching are similar in that they both involve finding active frequencies within a group of frequencies. The difference is *Scanning* looks only at a group of *programmed* frequencies that are stored in the scanner's channels and grouped into banks.

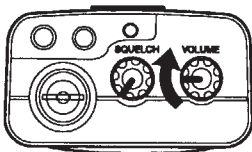


*Searching* looks at all the frequencies within a pre-selected range of frequencies.

If you find an interesting frequency while searching, you can store it in a channel for easier access later. See "Search Programming" on Page 12.

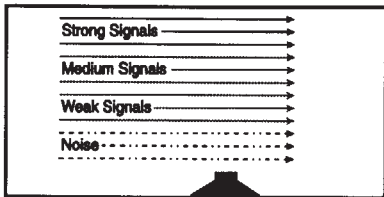
## Power ON

Turn the scanner on by rotating the **VOLUME** control clockwise.

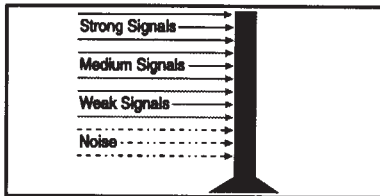


## How Squelch Works

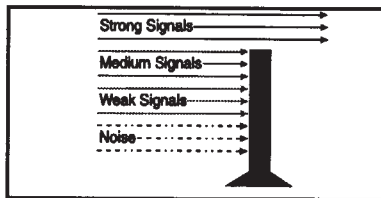
The squelch circuit in your scanner is like a gate. If it is too low, everything gets through ... noise, weak signals, and strong signals.



If the gate is set too high, nothing gets through ... not even the strong signals.



When the gate is correctly set, strong signals get through, but weaker signals and noise are blocked.

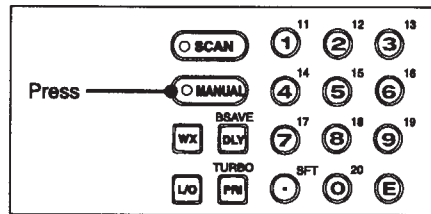


## Setting the Squelch

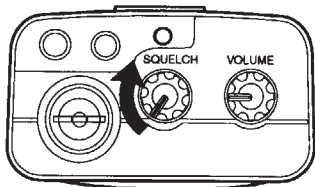
Adjust **VOLUME** to a comfortable listening level.

To set the Squelch, you must be in the Manual Mode. No signal should be present when adjusting Squelch.

1. Press **MANUAL** until you do not hear a signal.

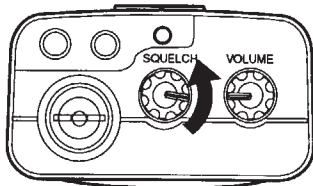


2. Turn until hiss heard.




This lowers the squelch gate so that everything gets through.

3. Turn just until hiss stops.

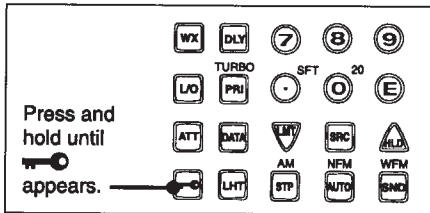


This raises the "squelch gate" allowing only strong signals to get through.

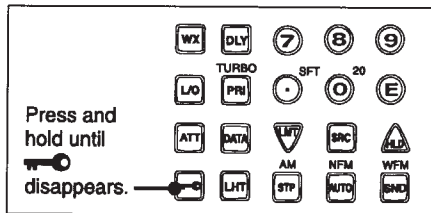
## Keypad Lockout

Keypad lockout lets you disable all keypad keys (except ) to prevent accidental pressing of a key.

To lock the keypad:



To unlock the keypad.




# Programming Channels

Before you can scan, you must store two or more frequencies into the scanner's channel memories. There are three ways to program new frequencies into channels—Manual Programming, Search Programming, and Auto-Store Programming.

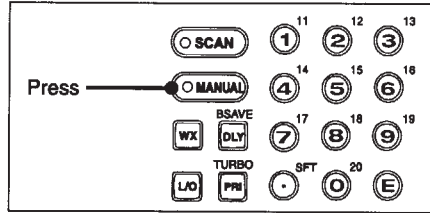
## Manual Programming

1. Select a frequency.

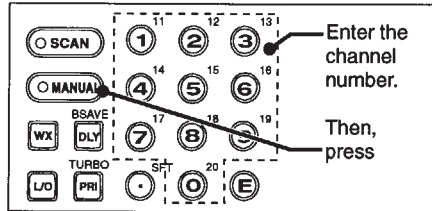
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ALBANY	460.150	455.350
PINEHURST	155.490	***.***
POCATELLO	154.725	***.***



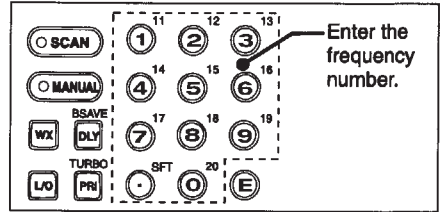
2. Enter the Manual Mode.



3. Select the channel.



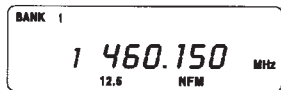
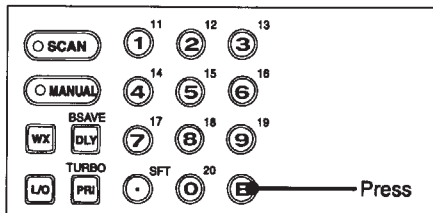
4. Enter the frequency.



The channel number begins to flash.

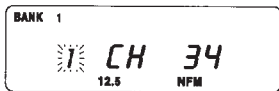



5. Store the frequency.



The channel number stops flashing and a beep sounds.

If the frequency is stored in another channel, you hear a beep and the other channel appears in the display.




Store the frequency in the selected channel, or press  twice to cancel.

Repeat these steps to program more channels.

Use the banks to store similar frequencies (e.g., local police frequencies) together. This helps the BC3000 scan faster.

**Notes:**

- If you make a mistake, press  twice and start over.
- If you enter an invalid frequency, a beep sounds and **ERROR** appears. Repeat Step 4.

**Automatic Battery Save**

If you let the BC3000XLT sit idle while you are programming channels (as you look up more frequencies, for example), the scanner may switch to the Battery Save Mode. The display does not change, but the scanner begins beeping.

To conserve batteries, the BC3000XLT switches to Battery Save when:

- In Manual Mode
- Delay is OFF
- No signal is received for 60 seconds

If you are powering the scanner from an AC outlet, the scanner will not switch to the Battery Save Mode.

## Search Programming


This procedure lets you search for active frequencies in a selected range and store any or all of those frequencies into channels.

For more information about searching, see "The Search Mode," page 27.

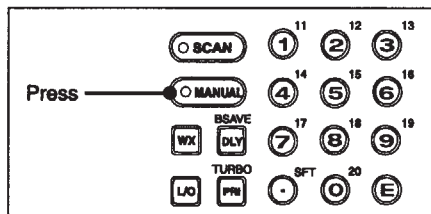
**Note:** Be sure to set **SQUELCH** before you begin a search. See "Setting the Squelch" on Page 8.

1. Select a frequency range.

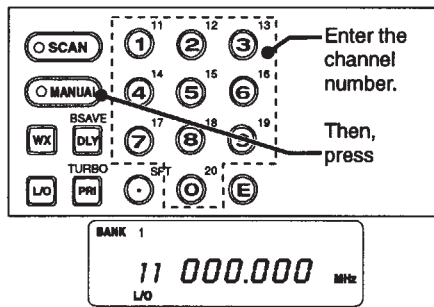
LOCATION	BASE	MOBILE
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PINEHURST	155.490	***,***
POCATELLO	154.725	***,***



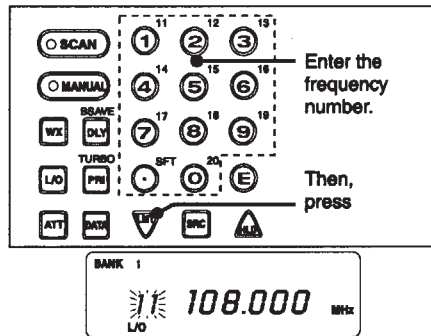
2. Enter the Manual Mode.



3. Select a channel.

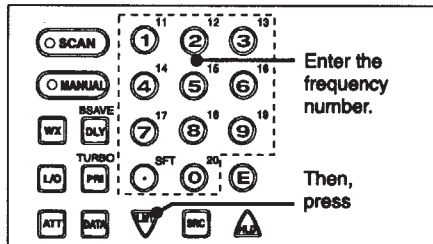


4. Enter the lower limit of the range.

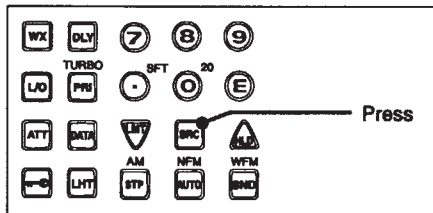




5. Enter the upper limit of the range.



6. Start the search.

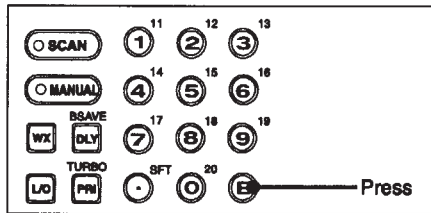


The scanner stops on the first active frequency it finds.



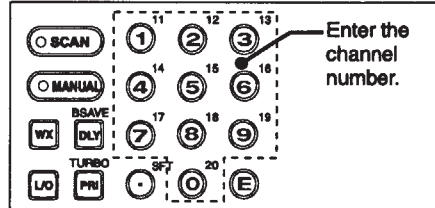
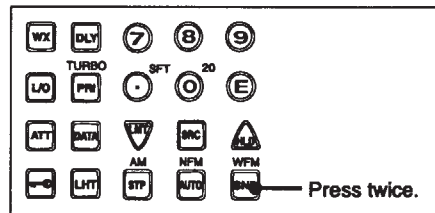
- To store the frequency, stop searching. Then, proceed to Step 6A, 6B, or 6C.
- If you do not want to store the frequency, press **SRC** to continue searching.

6A. Store the frequency in the currently displayed channel.



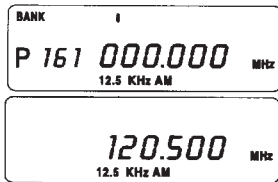
6B. To store the search frequency in another selected channel:

1.

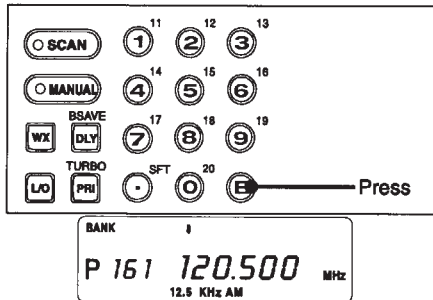


**Note:** For channels 1 - 9, you can enter just a single digit.

- Press . The display alternates between the search frequency and the new channel/frequency.

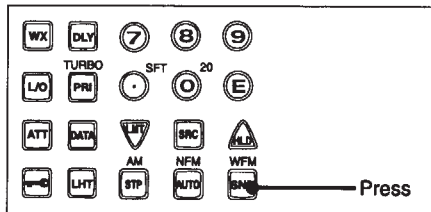


- Enter the new frequency.

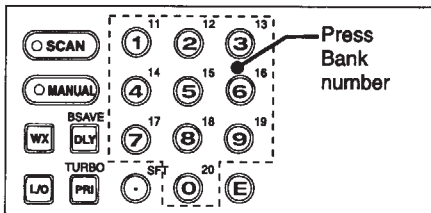


6C. To store the search frequency in the first empty channel in another bank:

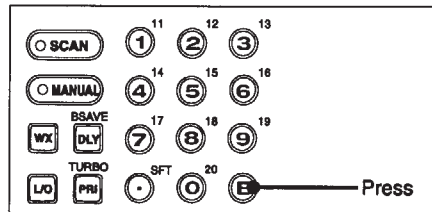
- 



- Select the bank.



- Store the search frequency.



## Auto-Store Programming

This procedure searches a frequency range and automatically stores active frequencies into empty channels of the selected bank(s).

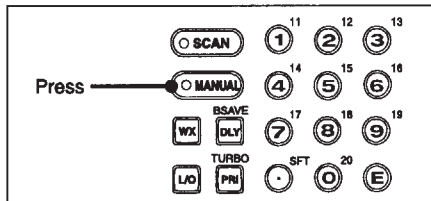
**Note:** Be sure to set **SQUELCH** before you begin a search. See "Setting the Squelch" on Page 8.

1. Select the frequency range.

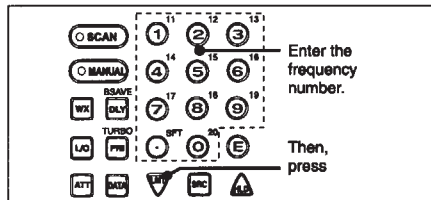
LOCATION	BASE	MOBILE
SEVINGTON	155.340	490.240
PINEHURST	155.490	***.***
POCATELLO	154.725	***.***

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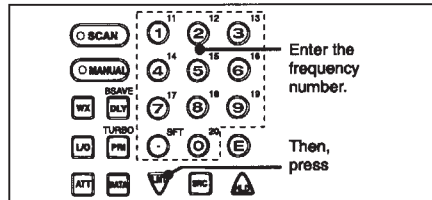
2. Enter the Manual Mode.



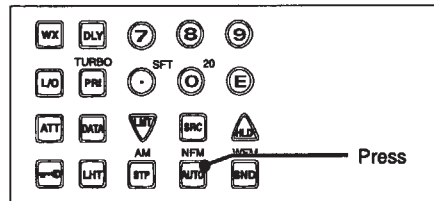
3. Enter the lower limit of the range.



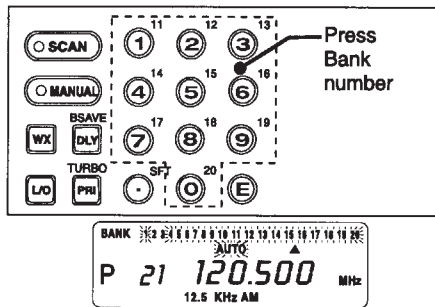
4. Enter the upper limit of the range.



5. Enter the Auto-Store Programming Mode.



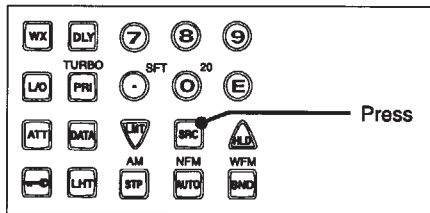
6. Select the bank(s).



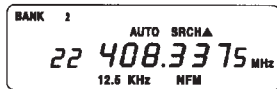
If "FULL" appears, all 20 channels of the bank are full. Select another bank.

**Note:** For banks 11 - 20, press SFT then the appropriate number. (Example - SFT-1 for Bank 11.)

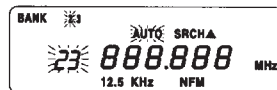
7. Begin searching.



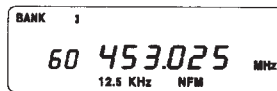
Active frequency stored.





Search continues.



When all empty channels in the bank(s) have been programmed, **FULL** appears along with the last channel/frequency programmed.



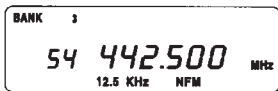
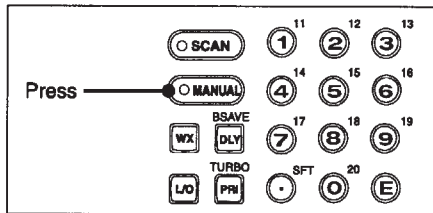
If there are not enough active frequencies found to fill the available empty channels, the scanner continues searching until you press , or  to manually stop Auto-Store.

During Auto Store, you don't hear audio from the signals received and stored.

Auto Store will store every received transmission. Be sure to review the channels and delete any unwanted frequencies.

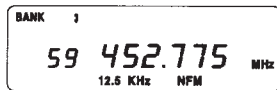
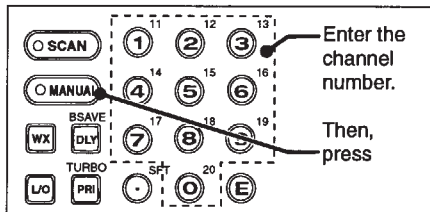
## Transferring A Channel Frequency

This procedure lets you transfer a stored frequency to a channel in another bank.

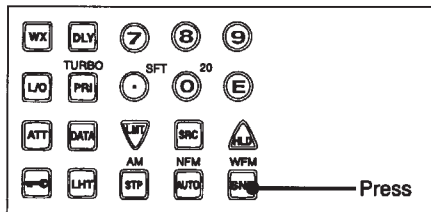


1. Enter the Manual Mode.

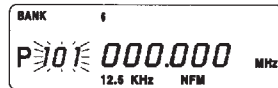
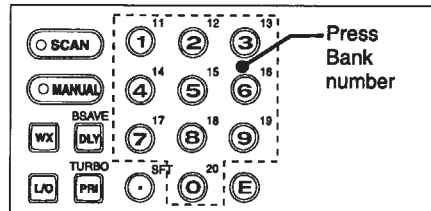
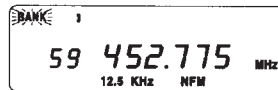
2. Select the channel with the frequency you want to transfer.



3.



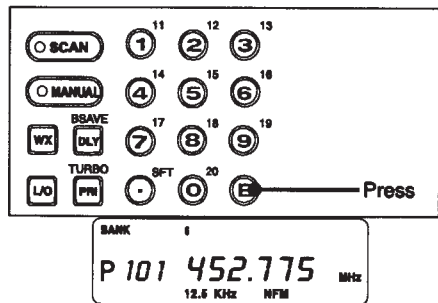
4. Select the desired bank. The selected bank's lowest empty channel flashes.



**FULL** appears if all channels in the selected bank are already programmed.



5. Transfer the frequency.

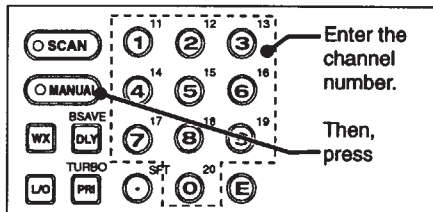
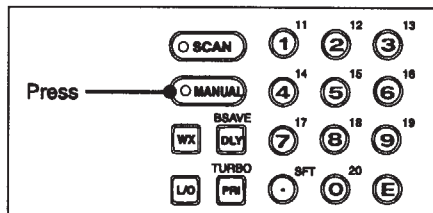


The display blinks twice, confirming the transfer.

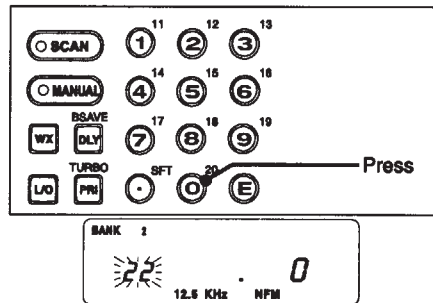
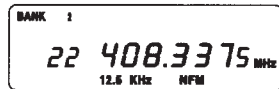
### Deleting A Stored Channel Frequency

Use this procedure when you want to delete a frequency from a channel without storing a new frequency in its place.

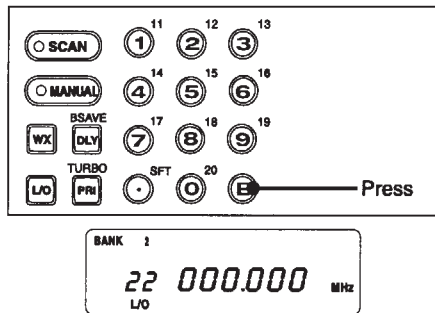
1. Find the frequency you want to delete.



- 2.



3.



For more information, see

- "The Scan Mode" on Page 20
- "The Manual Mode" on Page 32

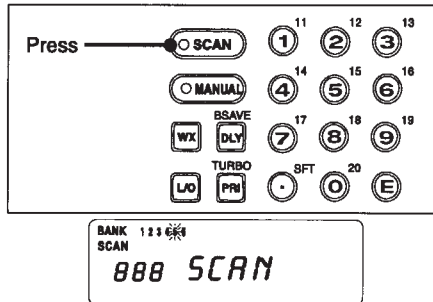
**Note:** If you use the Scan Mode to display the channel, press **MANUAL** to enter the Manual Mode before proceeding to Step 2.

# The Scan Mode

## Begin Scanning

There are two ways to begin scanning.

- Turn on the scanner. Scanning begins each time you turn the BC3000 on.
- While in the Manual Mode:



In the Scan Mode, the BC3000 cycles through all the channels you have programmed in the banks that are currently active.

For more information see

- "Scanner Basics" on Page 7
- "Programming Channels" on Page 10
- "Turning Banks On or Off" on Page 20.

The scanner stops on each channel that is broadcasting a signal and automatically resumes scanning when the signal stops. Or, you can press **SCAN** to resume scanning.



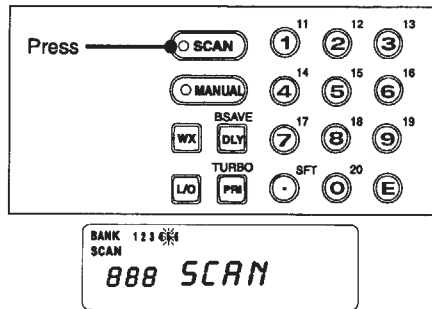
For more information see

- "Using Scan Delay" on Page 25
- "Using Data Skip" on Page 35

## Turning Banks On Or Off

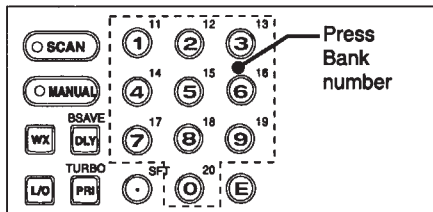
After you have programmed channels in several of the scanner's banks you can customize which channels you scan by turning the banks on or off.

1.





- Select the bank you want to turn on or off. Example - 1, 2 and 3.



If the bank number appears at the top of the display, the bank is on. If not, it is off.

#### Notes:

- Use the zero key to select bank 10.
- To select banks 11 - 20, press  $\odot$  followed by the appropriate number key. (Example:  $\odot$  1) The numbers 11 -

20 appear next to the corresponding number keys.

- You can turn on a bank whether or not you have stored frequencies in any of its channels. The scanner still only scans programmed channels.
- One bank must always be on. If you try to turn off all 20 banks, Bank 1 will automatically activate.

#### Locking Out Channels

The lock-out feature lets you further customize the channels that you want to scan at a particular time.

For example, if a stored frequency broadcasts almost all the time, the scanner will stop on it and stay. You can lock out that channel when you are more interested in the other channels for the current scanning session.

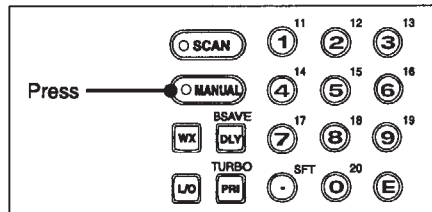
When you lock out a channel, it is temporarily excluded from scanning, but it

remains programmed so that you can easily unlock it for scanning later.

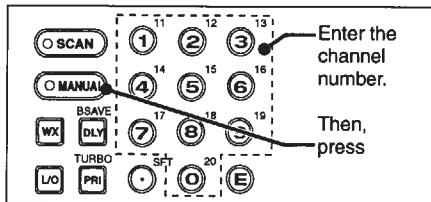
You can select a locked out channel using the Manual Mode. See "The Manual Mode" on Page 32.

#### Lockout in Manual Mode

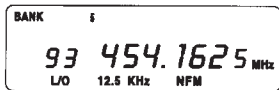
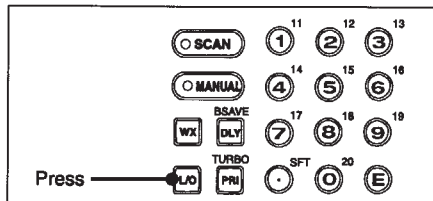
- Enter the Manual Mode.



## 2. Select the channel.



## 3. Lockout the channel.



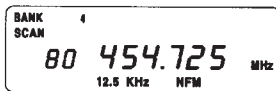
For more information, see

- "The Manual Mode" on Page 32.
- "The Scan Mode" on Page 20.

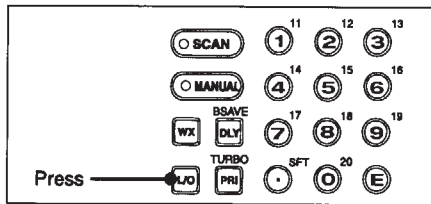
## Locking a Channel While Scanning

If the scanner keeps stopping on a particular channel due to noise or too-frequent transmissions, you may want to keep that channel from scanning.

1. Wait until the scanner stops at the channel.



2. Then:

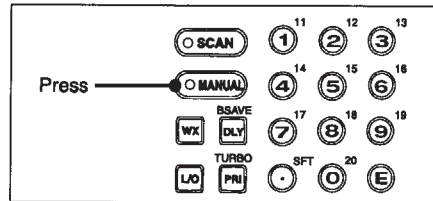


The scanner immediately resumes scanning because that channel is no longer in the scanning sequence.

## Unlocking a Channel

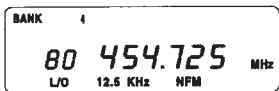
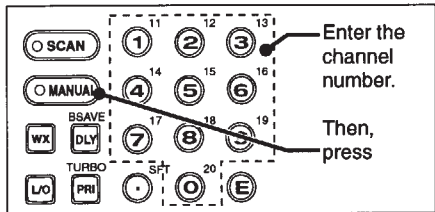
**Note:** Empty channels are automatically locked. You cannot unlock an empty channel.

1. Enter the Manual Mode.

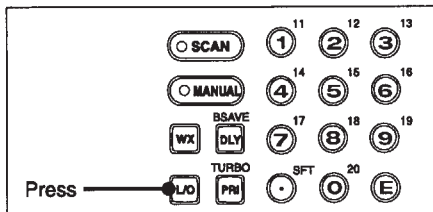


**Note:** Because the channel is locked-out, you cannot use the Scan Mode to select it.

2. Select the locked-out channel.



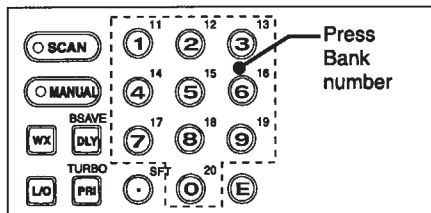
3. Unlock the channel.



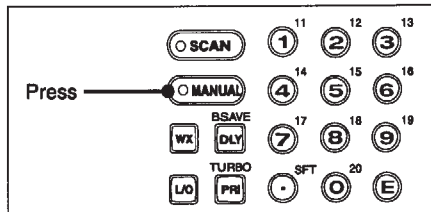
**Unlocking All Channels**

If you have locked out many channels and want to unlock them all, or if you have forgotten exactly which channel you have locked out, you can simply unlock all channels at once.

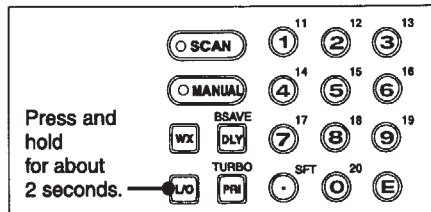
1. While scanning, turn on each bank that contains channels you want to unlock.



2. Enter the Manual Mode.



3. Unlock all channels.

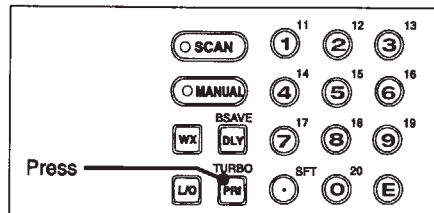
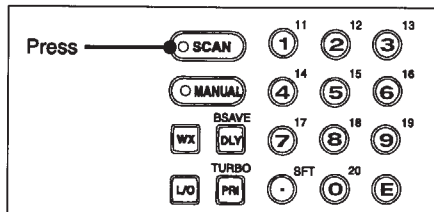


You hear two beeps when all channels are unlocked.

## Using Priority Scan

You can program one Priority Channel in each of the first 10 banks. During Priority Scanning, your scanner checks these special channels every two seconds, whether or not the scanner has located an active channel.

To activate Priority Scanning:



The scanner begins normal scanning, but if it detects a signal on a priority channel, it remains on that channel until the signal ends. See "Using Scan Delay" on Page 25.



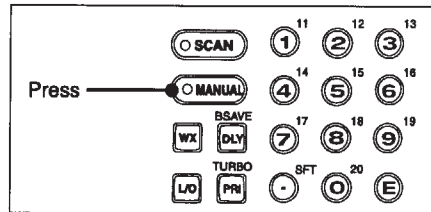
**Note:** If you have more than one bank selected that has a programmed priority channel, the lower channel number has top priority. Data Skip is not active in this mode.

## Selecting A New Priority Channel

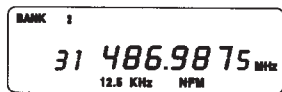
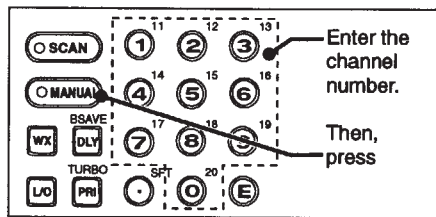
There is one priority channel in each of the first 10 banks. The scanner is pre-programmed with the first channel of each of these banks as a priority channel. However, you can change the priority channel to be any other channel within the bank.

**Note:** When you select a new priority channel, the old priority channel automatically becomes a regular channel.

1. Enter the Manual Mode.



2. Select the new channel.

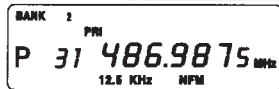
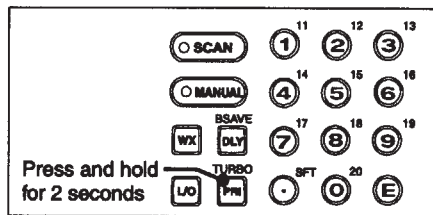


For more information, see

- "The Manual Mode" on Page 32
- "The Scan Mode" on Page 20

**Note:** If you use the Scan Mode to select the channel, press **MANUAL** to enter the Manual Mode before proceeding to Step 2.

3. Change the new channel to Priority.



You hear two beeps and **P** appears at the left of the display.

### Using Scan Delay

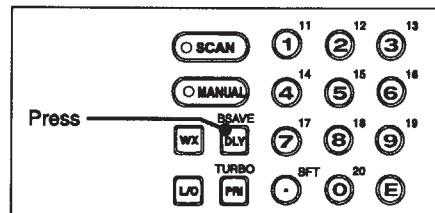
On some two-way channels there might be short lapses in the signal while waiting for a reply.

The Scan Delay feature causes the scanner to wait two seconds after the end of a

transmission before resuming scanning, in case there is a reply.

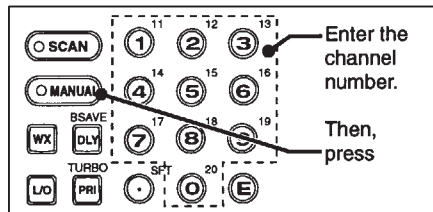
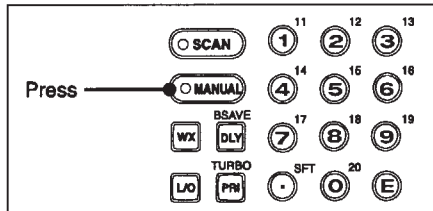
See also "Using Search Delay" on Page 30. You must individually program each channel you want to use Scan Delay feature.

- After programming a new channel:

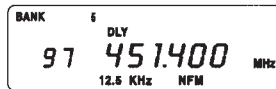
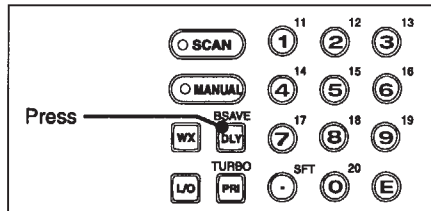


- To add Scan Delay to an existing programmed channel:

1. Enter Manual Mode.



2. Select the channel.



3. Turn Scan Delay ON.

OR

Wait until the scanner stops on the channel and press **DLY**.

In the Search Mode, the scanner looks for any active frequencies within a range of frequencies you select. You can search the entire range of the scanner, but it is best to select a narrower range, so that you have a better chance of finding all the active channels.


Use Search if you don't have a frequency directory handy, or if new stations have been added since the directory was published.

## Beginning A Search

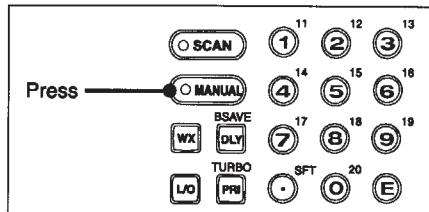
To set the limits and begin searching:

1. Select a frequency range.

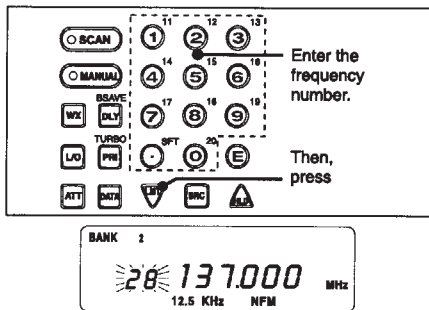
LOCATION	BASE	MOBILE
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██████████	██████████	██████████
PINEHURST	155.490	***.***
POCATELLO	154.725	***.***



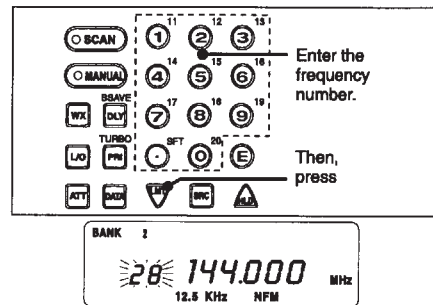
2. Enter the Manual Mode.



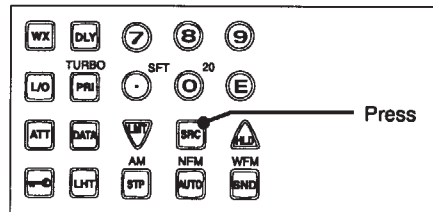
3. Enter the lower limit of the range.



4. Enter the upper limit of the range

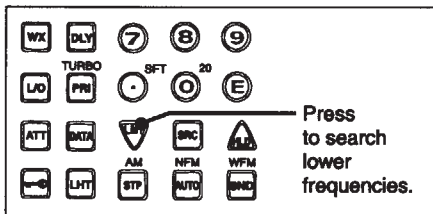
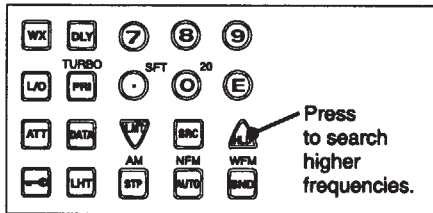


5. Begin the search.



## Notes

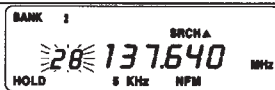
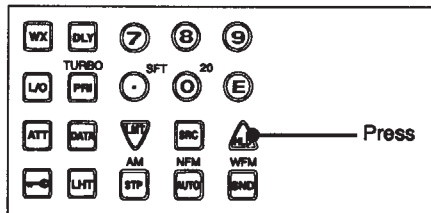
- If you want to program any of the frequencies you find during a search, see “Search Programming” on Page 12.
- You can change the direction of the search.



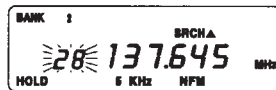
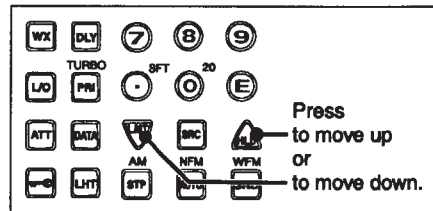
## Scrolling Frequencies

Scrolling temporarily suspends a search and allows you to manually move up or down through the frequencies.

1. To begin scrolling:



2. Move up or down by the displayed frequency step.

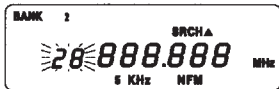
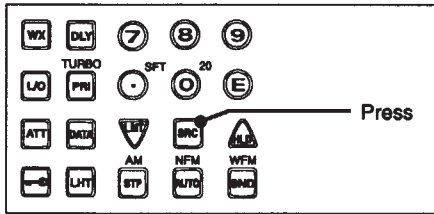


**Note:** The arrows next to the **SRCH** indicator show the last direction you scrolled.

If you want to change the frequency step, see “Changing the Frequency Step” on Page 36.



3. To continue the search:

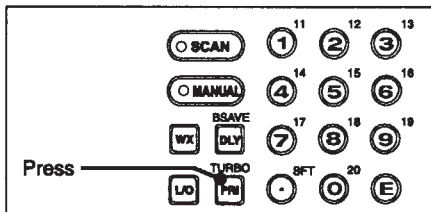


**Note:** The search resumes in the direction that you last scrolled.

## Using Turbo Search

If you are searching a frequency band that has a 5 kHz step, or if you override the default frequency step and set it to 5 kHz, you can select *Turbo Search*. This increases the search rate from 100 frequencies-per-second to 300 frequencies-per-second.

To select Turbo Search:



SRCH begins flashing.

For more information, see

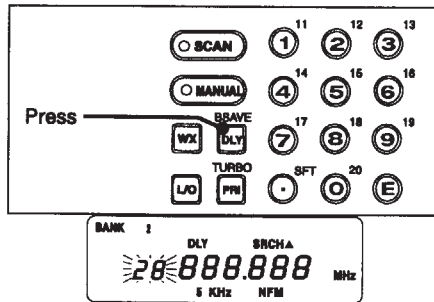
- “Frequency Bands and Steps” on Page 43.
- “Changing the Frequency Step” on Page 36.

## Using Search Delay

On some two-way channels there might be short lapses in the signal before a reply. The *Search Delay* feature causes the scanner to wait two seconds after the end of a transmission before resuming searching, in case there is a reply.

Unlike Scan Delay, you don't have to turn on Search Delay for each frequency in the search range. Search Delay works for the entire frequency range you chose.

To turn on Search Delay:



Press **DLY** again, to turn off Search Delay.

## Locking Out Frequencies

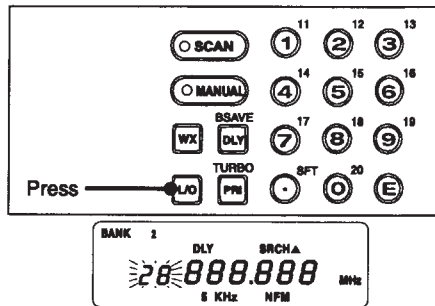
**Note:** This feature is similar to locking out a programmed channel, except you can only lock out 50 frequencies. You can lock out any number of channels.

During a search, you might repeatedly encounter frequencies that you are not interested in. Also, all scanners are subject to receiving internally generated frequencies (called *birdies*) that stop your scanner's search when there is no real signal present. See "BC3000XLT Birdies" on Page 44.

In either case, you can lock out up to 50 such frequencies to make your scanner search more efficiently. If you try to lock out more than 50 channels, the 51st channel replaces the first channel in memory.

## Locking Out a Frequency

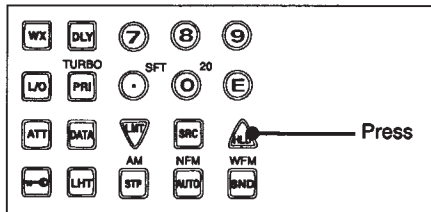
When the scanner stops on a frequency you want to lock out:



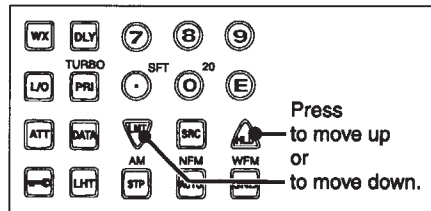
Searching resumes immediately.

## Unlocking a Frequency

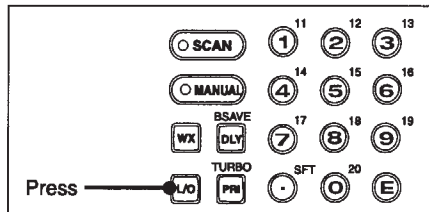
1. Stop the search.



2. Find the locked out frequency.



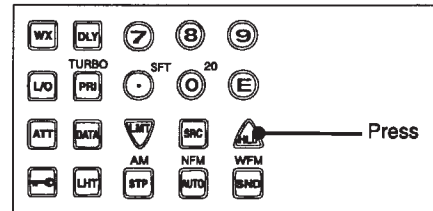
3. Unlock the frequency.



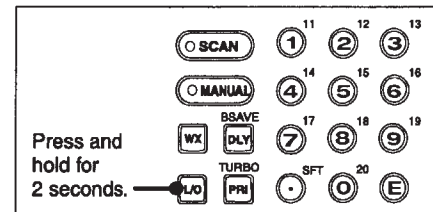
## Unlocking All Frequencies

If you have locked out many frequencies and want to unlock them all, or if you have forgotten which ones you locked out, you can unlock all frequencies at the same time.

1. Stop the search.



2. Unlock all frequencies.



You hear two beeps. All locked out frequencies are now unlocked.

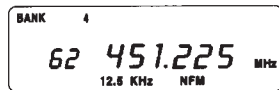
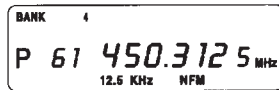
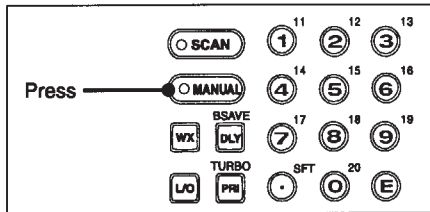
# The Manual Mode

## Scrolling Channels

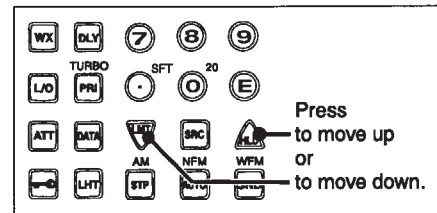
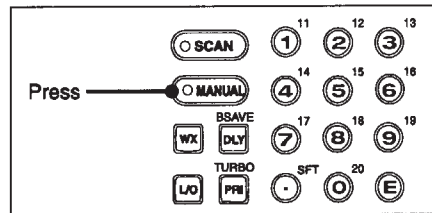
When you scroll through the channels in the manual mode, you see every channel, even ones that are empty or locked out.

There are two ways to scroll through all the scanner channels.

- To step through all channels one at a time in ascending order:



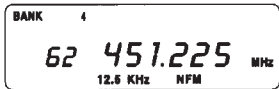
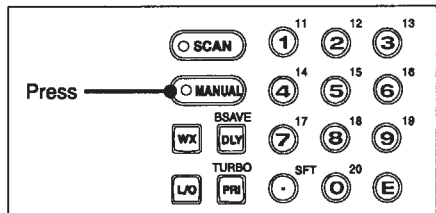
- To scroll up or down through all channels:



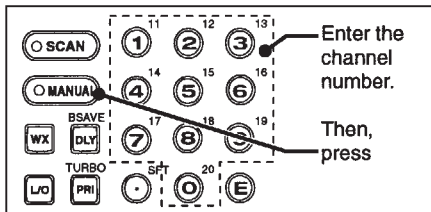
## Selecting A Specific Channel

Using this procedure, you can select any one of the scanner's 400 channels. It does not matter if the channel is locked out or empty.

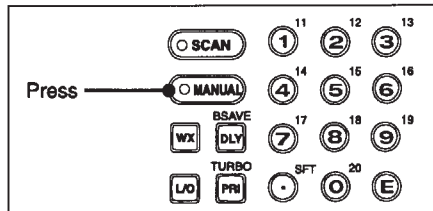
1. Enter the Manual Mode.



2. Select the desired channel.



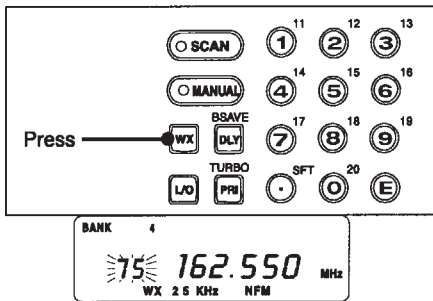
- 3.



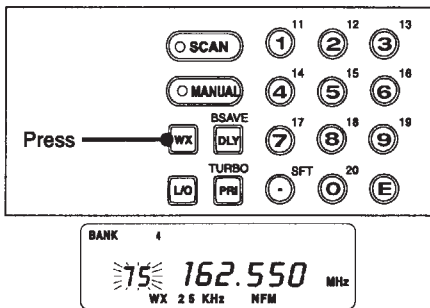
# Scanning Weather Channels

At any time and from any mode, you can press **WX** to enter the Weather Channel Search Mode.

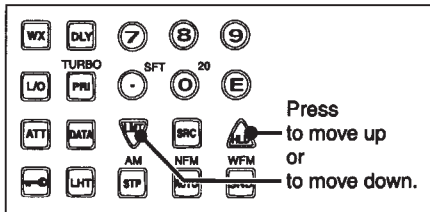
1. To find the first active NOAA weather channel frequency in your area:



2. To find the next active weather channel:



OR



In some areas, you can receive several weather channel frequencies. In fringe areas, or in other problem-reception areas, you might not receive any weather channel frequency.

## Using Data Skip

Some frequencies carry un-modulated signals or data signals (such as pager preamble signals). If your scanner detects such a signal during scanning or searching, it remains on the channel or frequency and, after three seconds, begins to beep.

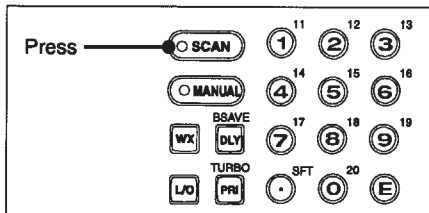
You can set the scanner to continue scanning after a 3-second delay, when it encounter such signals.

**Note:** *Data Skip* is not available for the AM band and is not active during Priority scan.

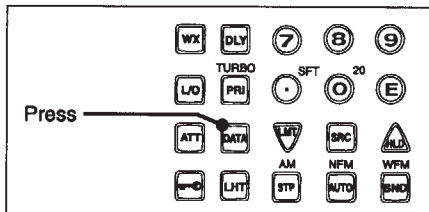
**Note:** You can turn *Data Skip* on or off at any time during scanning.

To turn on *Data Skip* while scanning:

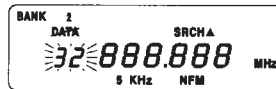
1.



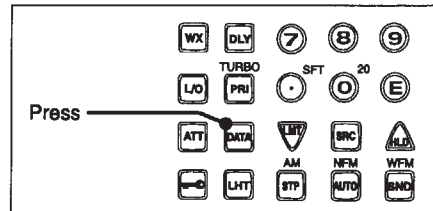
2.



The scanner defaults to *Data Skip* in the Search Mode.



If you want to disable *Data Skip* during search:

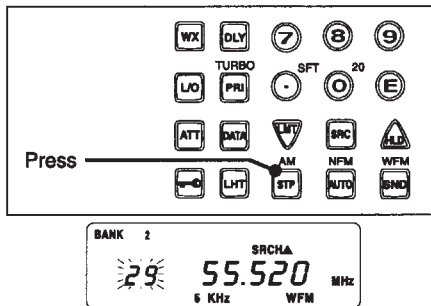


## Changing The Frequency Step

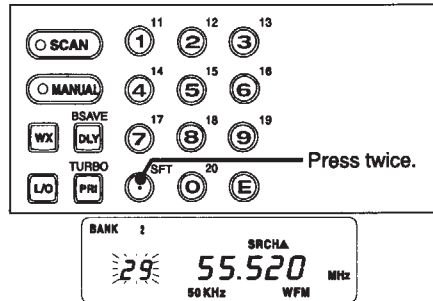
The frequency step is the minimum space between frequencies in the Manual or Search Mode.

Your scanner is pre-programmed with a default frequency step for each of its 17 bands. See "Frequency Bands and Steps" on Page 43. You can override the default frequency step to search in larger or smaller increments.

To override the default frequency step:



To return to the default frequency step:





## Setting The Signal Mode

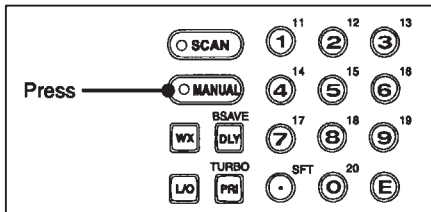
Your scanner is capable of receiving three signal modes:

- **AM** . . . . . Amplitude Modulation
- **NFM** . . . . . Narrow Frequency Modulation
- **WFM** . . . . . Wide Frequency Modulation

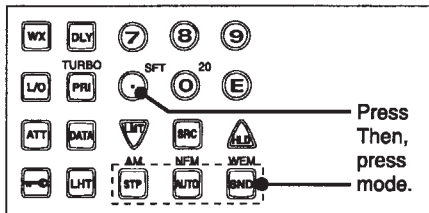
Each of the scanner's 17 frequency bands is pre-programmed with a default signal mode.

If you want to override the default signal mode for a particular frequency:

1. Enter the Manual Mode.

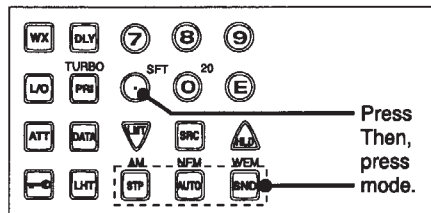


2. Select a different signal mode.



**Note:** When you override the default signal mode, the signal mode indicator flashes.

3. To return to the default signal mode:



## Using Signal Attenuation

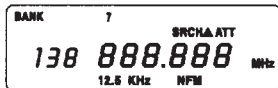
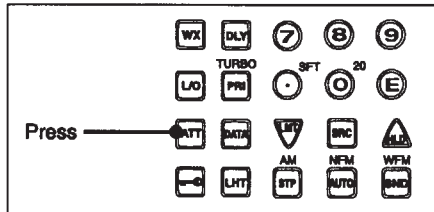
You can use the Signal Attenuation feature in the manual, search, WX, or Scan Mode.

When the **ATT** indicator is on, the incoming signal strength is attenuated (reduced) by about 15 dB. This prevents unusually strong signals from over-loading the scanner.

In the Scan Mode, you must individually program each channel you want to use the Signal Attenuation feature.

### In the Search Mode

1. Set the search limits and press **SRC**. See "The Search Mode" on Page 27.
2. Turn Signal Attenuation on.

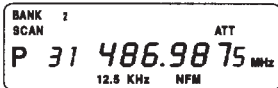
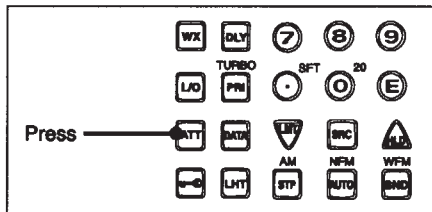


All signals are reduced during the search.

Press **ATT** again during search to turn off Signal Attenuation for the Search Mode.

### In the Scan Mode

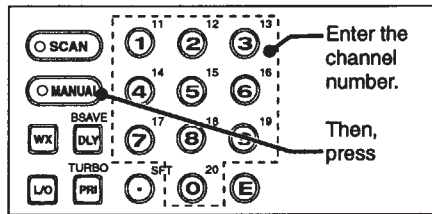
When the scanner stops on a channel:



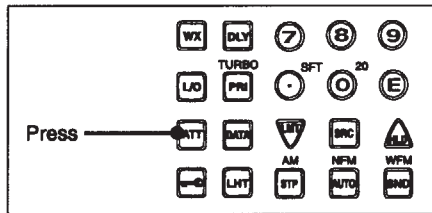
## In the Manual Mode:

Turn Signal Attenuation on for a specific channel.

1.



2.

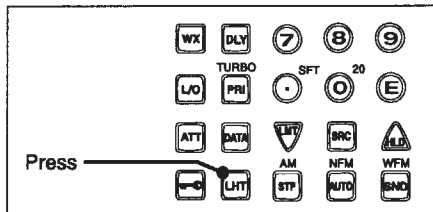


To change, press **ATT** again.

## Display Light

The display light lets you view the display in dark or low-light conditions.

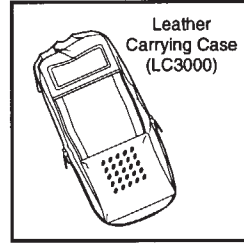
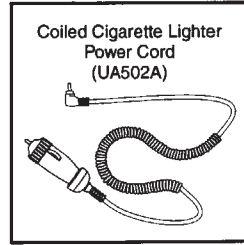
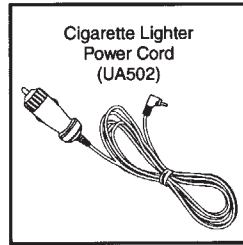
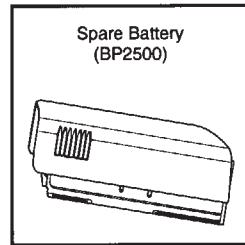
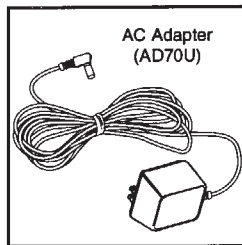
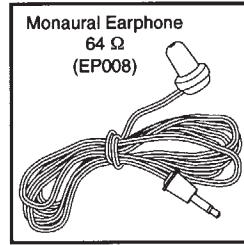
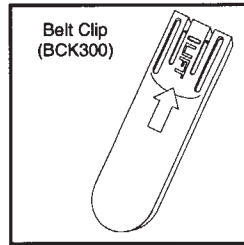
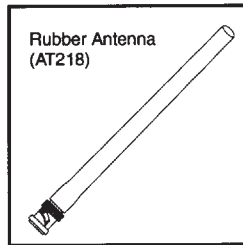
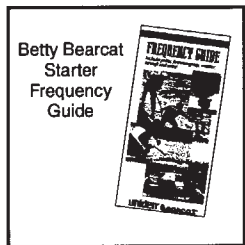
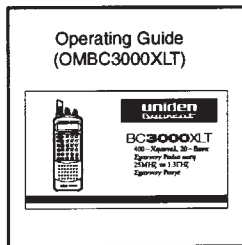
To turn on the light:



The light stays on for about 15 seconds. Press **LHT** again as necessary. Holding **LHT** does not extend the lighted time.

## Optional Accessories & Replacement Parts

The following optional accessories and replacement parts are available for your BC3000XLT scanner.



### Battery Maintenance

Rechargeable nickel-cadmium batteries typically suffer from a *memory effect* that gradually reduces their capacity over time.

After two or three months of use, if you notice that the battery provides power for a slightly shorter time on each charge, do the following.

1. Leave the scanner on until the low battery warning sounds and the [low batt] indicator appears.
2. Recharge the battery for 14-16 hours to ensure a full charge.

### General Use

- Turn off the scanner before removing the battery.
- Always write down the programmed channels/frequencies in case of a memory loss.

- Always firmly press each scanner key so that you hear the entry tone.

### Location

- If strong interference or electrical noise is received, move the scanner. A higher location usually results in better reception.
- **Do not** use the scanner in high-moisture environments, such as a kitchen or bathroom.
- Avoid placing the scanner in direct sunlight or near heating elements or vents.
- **Do not** plug the scanner's AC adapter/charger into an outlet controlled by a wall switch.

### Cleaning

- Disconnect the AC adapter/charger while you clean the scanner.
- Clean only the outside of the scanner with a mild detergent.
- To prevent scratches, do not use abrasive cleaners or solvents to clean the scanner.
- **Do not** rub the display window.
- **Do not** use excessive amounts of water.

### Repairs

- Do not attempt any repairs. The scanner contains no user-serviceable parts. Contact the Uniden Customer Service Center, or take the scanner to a qualified repair technician.

## Troubleshooting

If your scanner is not working properly, try the solutions listed below.

Problem	Possible Solutions
Scanner doesn't work at all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be sure the battery is installed and properly charged.</li><li>• Check the AC adapter/charger connections.</li><li>• Be sure the scanner is turned on.</li></ul>
Poor reception	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check the antenna connection.</li><li>• Move the scanner to a different location.</li></ul>
Scan won't stop	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adjust the <b>SQUELCH</b> control.</li><li>• Check the antenna connection.</li><li>• Try a search. All channels might be inactive.</li></ul>
Scan won't start	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be sure the selected banks have channels programmed.</li><li>• Adjust the <b>SQUELCH</b> control.</li></ul>

Problem	Possible Solutions
Search won't start	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Adjust the <b>SQUELCH</b> control.</li></ul>
Keypad won't work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Check the Keypad Lock feature</li></ul>

If you still cannot get satisfactory results, and want more information, or if you want to return the scanner for service, call or write the *Uniden Parts and Service Division*. The address and phone number are listed in the Warranty at the end of this Operating Guide.

**Frequency Bands And Steps**

The following table shows the 17 bands you can monitor with your scanner. The signal modes and the steps are default settings that you can override. See "Setting the Signal Mode" on Page 37, and "Changing the Frequency Step" on Page 36.

<b>Frequency Coverage (MHz)</b>	<b>Signal Mode</b>	<b>Default Steps (kHz)</b>
25.0000 to 25.9950	AM	5.0
26.0000 to 28.9950	AM	5.0
29.0000 to 53.9950	NFM	5.0
54.0000 to 71.9500	WFM	50.0
72.0000 to 75.9950	NFM	5.0
76.0000 to 107.9500	WFM	50.0
108.0000 to 136.9875	AM	12.5
137.0000 to 173.9950	NFM	5.0
174.0000 to 215.9500	WFM	50.0
216.0000 to 224.9950	NFM	5.0
225.0000 to 399.9875	AM	12.5
400.0000 to 511.9875	NFM	12.5

<b>Frequency Coverage (MHz)</b>	<b>Signal Mode</b>	<b>Default Steps (kHz)</b>
512.0000 to 549.9500	WFM	50.0
760.0000 to 805.9500	WFM	50.0
806.0000 to 823.9875	NFM	12.5
849.0125 to 868.9875	NFM	12.5
894.0125 to 1300.0000	NFM	12.5

## BC3000XLT Birdies

Birdies are internally generated frequencies that cause the scanner to stop during search or scan. If you have problems with these frequencies, use the lockout features to keep the scanner from stopping.

Frequency (MHz)	Frequency (MHz)	Frequency (MHz)	Frequency (MHz)	Frequency (MHz)	Frequency (MHz)
28.6350	134.2375	148.5550	161.0800	403.3375	967.8000
35.7950	136.0250	150.3450	161.0850	428.6125	967.8375
37.0950	137.6400	152.1350	169.3750	428.6250	1083.9500
37.1000	137.6500	153.6000	230.4750	434.1500	1083.9875
42.400	137.8150	153.9200	288.1000	455.3500	1114.0500
74.2000	139.6050	153.9250	312.4625	497.7500	1260.3000
110.9625	141.3950	155.7100	312.4750	820.7000	1290.4000
115.2375	143.1850	155.7150	350.8000	850.0875	
132.2750	144.9750	159.2900	368.7000	908.4500	
132.4500	146.7650	159.2950	377.6500	937.7000	



## Specifications

<b>Channels:</b>	400	<b>WX:</b>	7 Preprogrammed NOAA Weather Service Channels	<b>Antenna:</b>	AD70U AC Adapter - Input AC120V 60 Hz, Output DC 12V, 200 mA Rubber antenna (included)
<b>Banks:</b>	20 with 20 channels per bank	<b>Operating Temperature:</b>	-20°C to +60°C	<b>External Jacks:</b>	External earphone, External speaker, DC 12 V power jack
<b>Bands:</b>	17	<b>Scan Rate:</b>	100 channels per second	<b>Size:</b>	2.7 in. (W) x 1 1/2 in. (D) x 7.3 in. (H) (Without Antenna)
<b>Frequency Range:</b>	25 to 25.9950 MHz (AM) 26.0000 to 28.9950 MHz (AM) 29.0000 to 53.9950 MHz (NFM) 54.0000 to 71.9500 MHz (WFM) 72.0000 to 75.9950 MHz (NFM) 76.0000 to 107.9500 MHz (WFM) 108.0000 to 136.9875 MHz (AM) 137.0000 to 173.9950 MHz (NFM) 174.0000 to 215.9500 MHz (WFM) 216.0000 to 224.9950 MHz (NFM) 225.0000 to 399.9875 MHz (AM) 400.0000 to 511.9875 MHz (NFM) 512.0000 to 549.9500 MHz (WFM) 760.0000 to 805.9500 MHz (WFM) 806.9000 to 823.9875 MHz (NFM) 849.0125 to 868.9875 MHz (NFM) 894.0125 to 1300.0000 MHz (NFM)	<b>Search Rate:</b>	100 steps per second - normal 300 steps per second - Turbo	<b>Weight:</b>	13 oz.
		<b>Scan Delay:</b>	2 seconds		
		<b>Audio Output:</b>	0.5W nominal into 8Ω internal speaker; 3mW nominal into 32Ω stereo headphone; 8mW nominal into 64Ω supplied earphone.		
		<b>Power Requirements:</b>	BP2500 Ni-Cd Battery- 6VDC, 600 mAH		

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## One Year Limited Warranty

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**WARRANTOR:** Uniden America Corporation ("Uniden")

**ELEMENTS OF WARRANTY:** Uniden warrants, for one year, to the original retail owner, this Uniden Product to be free from defects in materials and craftsmanship with only the limitations or exclusions set out below.

**WARRANTY DURATION:** This warranty to the original user shall terminate and be of no further effect 12 months after the date of original retail sale. The warranty is invalid if the Product is (A) damaged or not maintained as reasonable or necessary, (B) modified, altered, or used as part of any conversion kits, subassemblies, or any configurations not sold by Uniden, (C) improperly installed, (D) serviced or repaired by someone other than an authorized Uniden service center for a defect or malfunction covered by this warranty, (E) used in any conjunction with equipment or parts or as part of any system not manufactured by Uniden, or (F) installed or programmed by anyone other than as detailed by the Operating Guide for this product.

**STATEMENT OF REMEDY:** In the event that the product does not conform to this warranty at any time while this warranty is in effect, warrantor will repair the defect and return it to you without charge for parts, service, or any other cost (except shipping and handling) incurred by warrantor or its representatives in connection with the performance of this warranty. THE LIMITED WARRANTY SET FORTH ABOVE IS THE SOLE AND ENTIRE WARRANTY PERTAINING TO THE PRODUCT AND IS IN LIEU OF AND EXCLUDES ALL OTHER WARRANTIES OF ANY NATURE WHATSOEVER, WHETHER EXPRESS, IMPLIED OR ARISING BY OPERATION OF LAW, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY OR FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE. THIS WARRANTY DOES NOT COVER OR PROVIDE FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OR PAYMENT OF INCIDENTAL OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES. Some states do not allow this exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages so the above limitation or exclusion may not apply to you.

**LEGAL REMEDIES:** This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state. This warranty is void outside the United States of America.

**PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING PERFORMANCE OF WARRANTY:** If, after following the instructions in this Operating Guide you are certain that the Product is defective, pack the Product carefully (preferably in its original packaging). Include evidence of original purchase and a note describing the defect that has caused you to return it. The Product should be shipped freight prepaid by traceable means, or delivered, to warrantor at:

**Uniden America Corporation**  
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Indianapolis, IN 46250  
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