

# **INSTRUCTION MANUAL**

SUPER MULTI-BANDER SYSTEM

# IC-900A IC-900E

Icom Inc.

### **FOREWORD**

ICOM has been listening carefully to the many ideas of Amateur Radio enthusiasts worldwide, and the result, built with the very latest in optical technological know how, is an engineering marvel: ICOM's advanced new IC-900A/E FM SUPER MULTI-BANDER SYSTEM transceiver.

The IC-900A/E is a multi-bander system transceiver that allows the mobile user to completely customize in creating a communications system with a distinctly personal touch. Up to 6 separate BAND UNITS can be installed and used with the IC-900A/E, systematically upgrading the degree of transceiver versatility with every new BAND UNIT added.

The IC-900A/E is equipped with a superb assortment of deluxe ICOM features such as all VHF/UHF band operation capability (above 28MHz), a separate multi-function REMOTE CONTROLLER, durable and advanced optical fiber connections, simultaneous dual band receive and full duplex capability, and more.

To fully appreciate and understand the capabilities of your new IC-900A/E FM SUPER MULTI-BANDER SYSTEM, please study this instruction manual thoroughly prior to operation. Also feel free to contact your nearest authorized ICOM Dealer or Service Center if you require assistance or information regarding the operation of your new IC-900A/E.

## 1. FEATURES

## SELECTABLE ONE TO SIX BAND OPERATION

A total of up to six optional BAND UNITS can be installed in the IC-900A/E for instant access to a wide range of frequencies from the 28MHz HF band to the 1200MHz UHF band. And only a small and light REMOTE CONTROLLER is necessary for control of all these bands.

## OPTICAL FIBER CABLE

A durable and flexible optical fiber cable is used between the INTERFACE UNIT-A and the INTERFACE UNIT-B to ensure reliable, interference-free communications.

## FULL DUPLEX CAPABILITY

The IC-900A/E has independent, full duplex capability on all bands, providing simultaneous receive and transmit operation on separate bands. Monitoring the bands is simple too because of the convenient FUNCTION DISPLAY on the REMOTE CONTROLLER which shows two separate operating frequencies simultaneously.

## A VARIETY OF ADVANCED FUNCTIONS AVAILABLE

### MEMORY CHANNEL CAPABILITY

The IC-900A/E MULTI-BANDER SYSTEM transceiver is equipped with 10 fully programmable memory channels in each BAND UNIT. The system can therefore store information in up to 60 different memory channels. (Each BAND UNIT can memorize all frequencies which the particular BAND UNIT covers).

### 5 SEPARATE USER-PROGRAMMED TUNING STEPS

Tuning steps can be selected in 5kHz, 10kHz, 15kHz, 20kHz and 25kHz steps in the IC-900A version and in 12.5kHz and 25kHz steps in the IC-900E version.

### **OPTIONAL UNIT OPERATIONS**

Either the UT-28 DIGITAL CODE SQUELCH UNIT or the UT-29 TONE SQUELCH UNIT can be used to ensure clear, interference-free communications from other stations using the same frequency.

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## 2. CONSTRUCTION

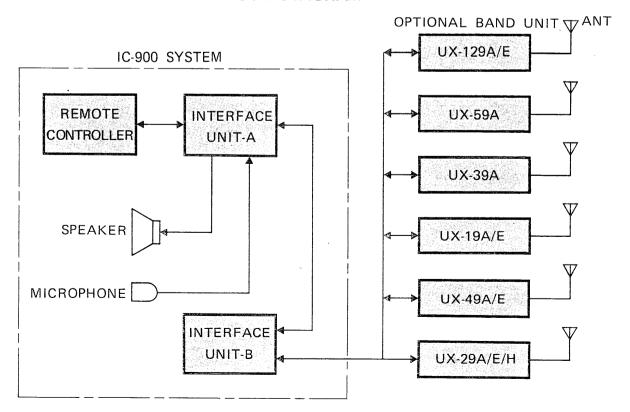
## **■ CONSTRUCTION OF THE IC-900 MULTI-BANDER SYSTEM**

The IC-900A/E MULTI-BANDER SYSTEM consists of a REMOTE CONTROLLER, INTERFACE UNIT-A, INTERFACE UNIT-B, and a series of specially designed, attachable BAND UNITS for upgrading your transceiver system.

MODE!	EDEOLIENOV DANGE	OUTPUT	POWER	SELECTABLE		
MODEL	- FREQUENCY RANGE	HIGH	LOW	TUNING STEP		
UX-19A/E	28.00 ~ 30.00MHz	10W	1W	5, 10, 15, 20, 25kHz		
UX-59A	50.00 ~ 54.00MHz	10W	1W	5, 10, 15, 20, 25kHz		
UX-29A (USA, Asia)	*1 138.00 ~ 174.00MHz (Receive) 140.10 ~ 150.00MHz (Transmit)	25W	5W	5, 10, 15, 20, 25kHz		
UX-29A (Australia)	144.00 ~ 148.00MHz	25W	5W	5, 10, 15, 20, 25kHz		
UX-29E (Europe)	144.00 ~ 146.00MHz	25W	5W	12.5, 25kHz		
UX-29E (Italy)	*1 140.00 ~ 150.00MHz	25W	5W	12.5, 25kHz		
UX-29H (USA, Asia)	*1 138.00 ~ 174.00MHz (Receive) 140.10 ~ 150.00MHz (Transmit)	45W	5W	5, 10, 15, 20, 25kHz		
UX-29H (Australia)	144.00 ~ 148.00MHz	45W	5W	5, 10, 15, 20, 25kHz		
UX-29H (Europe)	144.00 ~ 146.00MHz	45W	5W	12.5, 25kHz		
UX-29H (Italy)	*1 140.00 ~ 150.00MHz	45W	5W	12.5, 25kHz		
UX-39A	*2 216.00 ~ 236.00MHz (Receive) 220.00 ~ 225.00MHz (Transmit)	25W	5W	5, 10, 15, 20, 25kHz		
UX-49A (USA)	440.00 ~ 450.00MHz	25W	5W	5, 10, 15, 20, 25kHz		
UX-49A (Australia, Asia)	430.00 ~ 440.00MHz	25W	5W	5, 10, 15, 20, 25kHz		
UX-49E	430.00 ~ 440.00MHz	25W	5W	12.5, 25kHz		
UX-129A	1240.00 ~ 1300.00MHz	10W	1W	10, 20kHz		
UX-129E	1240.00 ~ 1300.00MHz	10W	1W ·	12.5, 25kHz		

Guaranteed frequency range: \*1 144.00  $\sim$  148.00MHz \*2 220.00  $\sim$  225.00MHz

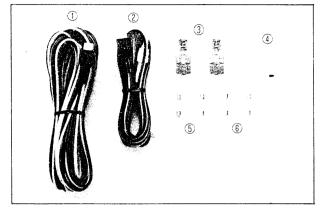
## MULTI-BANDER SYSTEM BLOCK DIAGRAM



## 3. UNPACKING

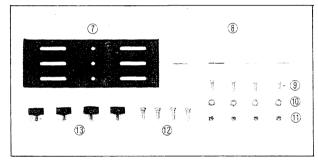
The following accessories come with the IC-900A/E. Check the accessories after removing them from the carton. Store unused accessories for future use as you build up your IC-900 SYSTEM.

## POWER SOURCE ACCESSORIES



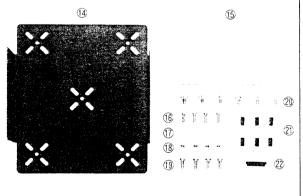
(1)	OPC-170	POWER	CAE	LE	 	 				1
2	OPG-095	POWER	CAB	LE	 	 				1
3	Cable sepa	arator so	ckets		 	 				2
4	Cable lugs	s			 	 				2
(5)	Fuses (15	A)			 	 				2
( <u>6</u> )	Fuses (5A	()			 	 				2

### ●INTERFACE UNIT-A ACCESSORIES



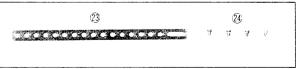
Mounting bracket (A)	1
8 Double-sided tape	4
9 Mounting screws (M4 x 12)	4
10 Flat washers (M4)	4
① Nuts (M4)	4
(2) Self-tapping mounting screws (A0 4 x 16)	4
(3) Mounting bracket knobs	4

## ●INTERFACE UNIT-B ACCESSORIES



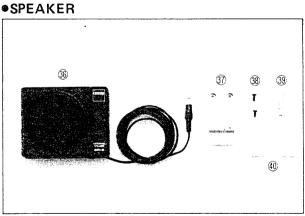
	(4) Mounting bracket (B)	1
	(§) Sponges	2
	(6) Mounting screws (M4 x 12)	4
	① Flat washers (M4)	4
	(18) Nuts (M4)	4
	(9) Self-tapping mounting screws (A0 4 x 16)	4
	② Unit mounting screws (M4 x 8)	6
	② Rubber bushings (S)	6
- 1	Rubber bushing (L)	

## **SUPPORT BRACKET**

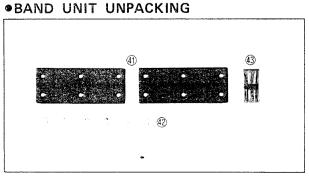


(3) Support bracket										1
(24) Set screws (A) (4 x 8)										4

# 25 OPC-172 OPTICAL FIBER CABLE . . . . . . . . . 1 OPTICAL FIBER CABLE 26 • REMOTE CONTROLLER ACCESSORIES (2) OPC-177 CONTROLLER CABLE ...... 1 30 Mounting screws (Button head) . . . . . . . . . . . . . 4 (31) Self-tapping mounting screws (A0 3 x 8) . . . . . . . 2 **●**MICROPHONE \* HM-12 (IC-900A Australia, Asia) HM-14 (IC-900A USA) HM-15 (IC-900E)



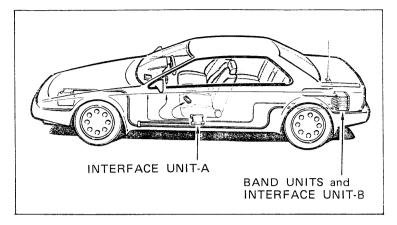
③ Speaker (SP-8)	
🕅 Mounting clip	
38 Self-tapping screws (B0 3 x 8)	<u>)</u>
39 External speaker plug	
40 Double-sided tape	2



(41) Mounting brackets	 2
42 Mounting screws (M4 x 8)	 6
(43) OPC-179 JOINT CABLE	 1

## 4. INSTALLATIONS

## 4-1 UNIT INSTALLATIONS



We recommend installing the IC-900A/E SUPER MULTI-BANDER SYSTEM in the following places:

#### INTERFACE UNIT-A:

Under or to the side of the driver's seat.

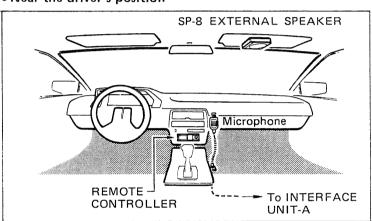
#### INTERFACE UNIT-B:

In the trunk near the antenna.

#### Each BAND UNIT:

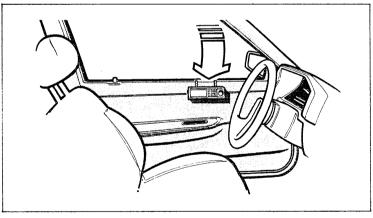
Mount on INTERFACE UNIT-B.

### • Near the driver's position



Select locations for the REMOTE CONT-ROLLER, the microphone, and speaker that do not interfere with the driver in any way.

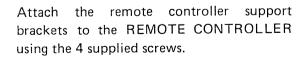
To protect the mic connector cable from damage, the mic connector **MUST** be attached to the microphone connector support.



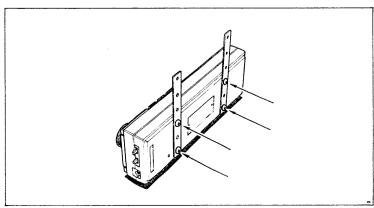
The REMOTE CONTROLLER may be placed on your vehicle dashboard or in another convenient place using either the supplied double-sided tape or the remote controller support brackets.

### **CAUTION:**

**AVOID** mounting the REMOTE CONT-ROLLER in hot or cold places such as in front of the car heater or air conditioner, or in direct sunlight.



The optional MB-21 MOUNTING BRACKET is available for easy mounting.



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