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PassPort® 4.0 Offers Enhanced Reliability and Security



Mission-critical radio users such as government, public safety and utilities share a common requirement: reliable and secure communications.

The latest generation of the PassPort® protocol, now available for Icom F3161/F4161 portable and F5061/F6061 mobile radios, meets these users' needs by providing several key enhancements to the classic low-speed trunking protocol, including channel backup, priority access and emergency declaration.

PassPort® is ideally suited for users with elevated security needs, says Rick Burke, general manager of Federal Radio in Aberdeen, Md. Federal Radio operates a PassPort® multi-site trunked radio system that leases airtime services to federal government and museum users.

"I have the ability to control who is on the network through embedded ESNs (electronic serial numbers) and unique radio IDs," Burke says. "And as I expand the network through adding sites or changing frequencies I don't have to reprogram every radio."

From an end-user standpoint, key benefits of PassPort® include its caller ID capabilities, telephone interconnect and individual selective call, Burke says. But as a network operator, he's sold on its high level of network security and ease of network expansion.

PassPort®'s high reliability and network security features also make it a great choice for hospitals, museums, college

campuses and manufacturing companies.

Channel backup ensures a high level of reliability by eliminating downtime caused by channel failure. New

security features include an emergency declaration feature and priority access, which allows network operators to assign a priority level to each radio, giving higher-priority radios access to available channels during emergencies.

Burke says that over the past few months customers have started to upgrade from Icom's F4TR and F43TR to the new F4161 subscriber unit, and that customer interest is on the rise. According to Burke, user feedback is "so far, so good," who says customers appreciate the radio's great audio quality and loudness.

Icom now offers PassPort® 2.8 and 4.2. Please call 425-454-8155 for more information.



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New Icom F5021 Offers Enhanced Features and Flexibility for the Everyday LMR User

Bellevue, WA – Icom America is pleased to announce the new F5021 series mobile radio, a basic analog radio with added features and flexibility for the everyday LMR user.

Ideal for public safety, large industry and light commercial systems, the F5021 packs a powerful 50W (VHF), 45W (UHF) output, multiple signaling and advancing scanning into a rugged, compact body. An optional OPC-1939 D-SUB 15-pin ACC cable gives operators the ability to change operating channels remotely using an external device.

“The F5021 appeals to customers looking for an affordable radio with external channel control,” says Gregg Hake, Technical Support Manager for Icom America. “Customers are always asking for channel changing and a 15-pin cable with flexible, programmable pin assignments.”

The optional 15-pin cable also allows for ignition sensing, external PTT, PC command, horn honk, audio output and modulated signal input, depending on programming.

Other features include wide frequency coverage, 128 memory channels and wide/narrow channel spacing.

As a companion to the F3021 series portable, the F5021 series mobile radio joins Icom America’s lineup of land mobile radios known for their reliable performance, quality communications and unmatched value.

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Icom America’s parent company, Icom Inc., was founded in Osaka Japan. Icom is a publicly held Japanese corporation; its stock is traded on the Tokyo and Osaka Stock Exchange. Icom began as an engineering and manufacturing company, making advanced, compact solid-state radio equipment for use by amateur radio enthusiasts. Icom has grown to become an industry leader, with a product line that includes other state-of-the-art digital communications equipment for land and marine use as well as ham (amateur) and avionics. Icom America’s headquarters are in Bellevue, Washington. www.icomamerica.com.

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Print-ready, high resolution images of Icom’s F5021 series are available for immediate downloading from www.icomamerica.com/downloads

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