

Saint Louis **COUNTY**

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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STANDARDIZATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT CODEPLUG/RADIOS

I. PURPOSE

Every portable and mobile radio utilized by law enforcement officers in St. Louis County will have standardized functions, features, and programming codeplugs. This will ensure officers throughout the county are familiar with the radios, regardless of what agency employs them. Standardization will also mirror the Emergency Communications Commission policy related to individuals authorized the assignment of a radio.

II. POLICY

- A. All portable and mobile radios purchased for use on the system will comply with the ECC policy 05-03 dated November 12, 2015. This policy specifies which radios are acceptable for use on the SLATER system.
- B. The programming of the law enforcement radios will be standardized to make programming, training, and operation easier for ECC staff and the end user. Furthermore, all law enforcement personnel will be familiar with the basic programming of radios for all law enforcement agencies in St. Louis County.
- C. The standard ZONE 1 (Agency name Patrol) programming is as follows:
 1. Dispatch agency (encrypted)
 2. Pursuit
 3. State
 4. SLC SOA N/S (encrypted)
 5. Agency Support or Open for Agency discretion
 6. Open for Agency discretion
 7. Open for Agency discretion
 8. Open for Agency discretion
 9. Open for Agency discretion
 10. Open for Agency discretion
 11. Open for Agency discretion
 12. SLCLAW1 (encrypted)
 13. SLCLAW2 (encrypted)
 14. SLCTCT1 (encrypted)

15. SLCTCT2 (encrypted)
16. Dispatch agency (encrypted)

D. The standard ZONE 2 (Agency name Support) programming is as follows:

- 1 Dispatch agency (encrypted)
- 2 SLC SOA N (encrypted)
- 3 SLC SOA S (encrypted)
- 4 7TAC51 D
- 5 7TAC52 D
- 6 7TAC53 D
- 7 SLCLAW3 (encrypted)
- 8 SLCLAW4 (encrypted)
- 9 SLCLAW5 (encrypted)
- 10 SLCLAW6 (encrypted)
- 11 SLCLAW7 (encrypted)
- 12 SLCLAW8 (encrypted)
- 13 SLCLAW9 (encrypted)
- 14 800 pt pt
- 15 MODOT
- 16 Dispatch agency (encrypted)

E. The Standard ZONE 3 and Zone 4, St. Louis County Interoperable talkgroups, (SLC Interop Z1 and Z2 2-16, 17-32) will consist of the SLCIO CALL through SLC IO 32.

F. The standard ZONE 5 will be the St Louis County Encrypted Zone of 16 encrypted talkgroups available to all LE and FD agencies as talk and receive.

G. The standard ZONE 6 will be the Office of Emergency Management talkgroups. (SLCOEM 1-16)

H. The standard Zone 7 will be the St Louis County Regional Interoperable talkgroups SCRIO 1-16 (St Louis Reg IO). Talkgroup 13 in this zone is designated "SLR SWAT E" for encrypted LE tactical operations.

I. The standard ZONE 8 will be the Jefferson County Interoperable talkgroups (Jeff CO IO 1-16). The use of these talkgroups is determined by the owner agency.

J. The standard ZONE 9 will be the St Charles County Interoperable talkgroups (SCC IO 1-16). The use of these talkgroups is determined by the owner agency.

K. The standard ZONE 10 will be the St Louis County North training talkgroups (SLC Training N 1-15). Talkgroup 14 and 15 will be encrypted with an "E" designator after the Talkgroup name and talkgroup 16 will be 7TAC51D.

L. The standard ZONE 11 will be the St Louis County South training talkgroups (SLC Training S 16-30). Talkgroup 14 and 15 will be encrypted with an "E" designator after

the Talkgroup name and talkgroup 16 will be 7TAC51D.

- M. The standard ZONE 12, 13 and 14 will be the St Louis County LE Public Safety Answering Points (SLC LE Disp 1-3) these are all encrypted.
- N. The standard ZONE 15 will be the St Louis County Fire/EMS dispatch centers (SLC Fire Disp)
- O. The remaining zones in the radios will consist of the MOSWIN (Missouri Statewide Interoperable Network) talkgroups based on region and lastly the national talkgroups set by the national industry standard.
- P. Agencies with an authorized strength of over 350 officers can deviate slightly from the standardized codeplug template with authorization of the police user group; however, Zone 1 must remain within the Law Enforcement standard. This standard deviation will account for specific work elements or requirements that are unique to a larger agency.
- Q. The standard button features on all mobile and portable radios are detailed in Attachment A and B respectively.
- R. All Law Enforcement PSAP's will be open to all Law Enforcement agencies on the system as transmit and receive and will be encrypted. Use of these dispatch talkgroups is governed by the "Law Enforcement Access to PSAP's" policy on agency use of talkgroups.
- S. All LE dispatch talkgroups will be encrypted and are not authorized for use on radios not utilized by a St. Louis County LE agency.
- T. Users requiring interagency communications will utilize the interoperable talkgroups on the system. Examples include SLC LAW 1-9, SLCTRN 1-30, SLC SOA, SLC IO. Individual agency specific owned talkgroups (Agency Support, All, Public Works, etc. are not authorized to be shared between agencies.

III. PROCEDURE

- A. Requests to change the standardization of the Law Enforcement codeplug will be submitted to the Chairman of the police user group. The Chairman will present the request to the Law Enforcement User Group at the next practical monthly Law Enforcement User Group meeting for discussion. Once the user group makes a determination whether or not to implement a change, the requestor will be notified of the outcome.
- B. Once a recommendation is approved at the User Group Level, the request will be forwarded to the ECC Staff for an Operations Committee Review.

- C. In the event of Operations Committee denial, the requesting agency will be notified in writing of the reason for the denial. Upon denial notification, agency may appeal directly to the Emergency Communications Operations Group.
- D. If approved, all Law enforcement agencies will be notified, and the change will be implemented at the next system wide codeplug update.
- E. All radios will be programmed by the ECC staff to the standards set forth in this policy.

IV. USAGE OF RADIOS

- A. Authorized radio equipment is detailed in E.C.C. policy # 05-03 dated November 12, 2015.
- B. Only authorized users shall be provided a radio and utilize the SLATER system.
- C. Authorized users are identified as:
 - a. Full time Commissioned Police Officers with an assigned radio
 - b. Full or Part time police officers utilizing a spare radio belonging to an agency
 - c. Reserve officers, police explorers, department chaplains, cadets, or other law enforcement approved individuals working with a police officer conducting law enforcement duties.
- D. No ECC issued Law Enforcement radio shall be installed in a vehicle not owned and operated by a Law Enforcement agency.
- E. No self-funded mobile or portable radio shall be programmed with a Law Enforcement codeplug on the SLATER system if it is installed in a vehicle not owned by a Law Enforcement agency. Further, no self-funded mobile or portable radio shall be assigned to an individual who is not a Law Enforcement Officer or working in the capacity of a Law Enforcement Officer.

Adopted by the Emergency Communications Commission

By order of:



Director

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