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> Radtel RT88 Rechargeable FRS Walkie Talkies Long Range Handheld License-Free Two Way Radio 16CH Handsfree USB Charging LED Flashlight with Earpiece (2 Pack) User Manual

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Model: RT88 | Brand: Radtel

1. INTRODUCTION

The Radtel RT88 is a compact, license-free FRS (Family Radio Service) two-way radio designed for reliable communication over short to medium distances. Featuring 16 channels, hands-free VOX operation, and USB charging, it is suitable for various activities including outdoor adventures, family travel, and business use. This manual provides detailed instructions for setup, operation, and maintenance of your RT88 walkie-talkie.

2. PACKAGE CONTENTS

Before using your Radtel RT88 walkie-talkie, please verify that all items are present in the package:

- Radtel RT88 Walkie Talkie Unit(s)
- Lithium Ion Battery(ies)
- Desktop Charger(s)
- USB Charging Cable(s)
- Earpiece(s)
- Belt Clip(s)
- Wrist Strap(s)
- User Manual (this document)



Figure 2.1: Radtel RT88 Package Contents. The image displays two walkie-talkie units, two batteries, two desktop chargers, two USB cables, two earpieces, two belt clips, two wrist straps, and the user manual.

3. PRODUCT OVERVIEW

Familiarize yourself with the components and controls of your Radtel RT88 walkie-talkie.



Figure 3.1: Four Side Views of the RT88. This image displays the front, left, back, and right sides of the walkie-talkie, highlighting its compact design and button placement.

Key Components:

- **Antenna:** For transmitting and receiving signals.
- **Channel Knob:** Rotate to select one of the 16 available channels.
- **Power/Volume Knob:** Rotate to turn the radio on/off and adjust volume.
- **PTT (Push-to-Talk) Button:** Press and hold to transmit, release to receive.
- **Monitor Button:** Press to listen for weak signals on the current channel.

- **Flashlight Button:** Activates the built-in LED flashlight.
- **Speaker/Microphone:** For audio output and input.
- **Accessory Jack:** For connecting the earpiece or other audio accessories.
- **Battery Compartment:** Houses the rechargeable Lithium Ion battery.
- **USB Charging Port:** For direct USB charging.

PC+ABS MATERIAL MAKE IT HARD AND DURABLE



Figure 3.2: RT88 Key Features. This diagram illustrates the radio's robust PC+ABS material, drop protection, squelch system, 16 main channels with CTCSS/DCS codes, built-in flashlight, VOX hands-free function, and keypad lock.

4. SETUP

4.1 Battery Installation

The Radtel RT88 walkie-talkie uses a rechargeable Lithium Ion battery. Ensure the radio is powered off before installing or removing the battery.

1. Locate the battery compartment cover on the back of the radio.
2. Slide the battery cover downwards to open it.
3. Align the battery with the contacts inside the compartment.
4. Gently push the battery into place until it clicks securely.
5. Replace the battery compartment cover and slide it upwards until it locks.

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Video 4.1: Radtel RT88 FRS Radio Setup and Charging. This video demonstrates how to install the battery, power on the radio, change channels, activate the flashlight, and use both the desktop charger and direct USB charging methods.

4.2 Charging the Battery

The RT88 offers multiple charging options:

- **Using the Desktop Charger:**

1. Connect the USB charging cable to the desktop charger and a power source (e.g., wall adapter, computer USB port, power bank).
2. Place the walkie-talkie (with battery installed) into the charging cradle. The indicator light on the charger will turn red while charging and green when fully charged.
3. Alternatively, you can remove the battery from the radio and place it directly into the battery slot on the desktop charger for charging.

- **Direct USB Charging:**

The RT88 features a built-in USB charging port, allowing you to charge the radio directly using a standard USB cable connected to a compatible power source.

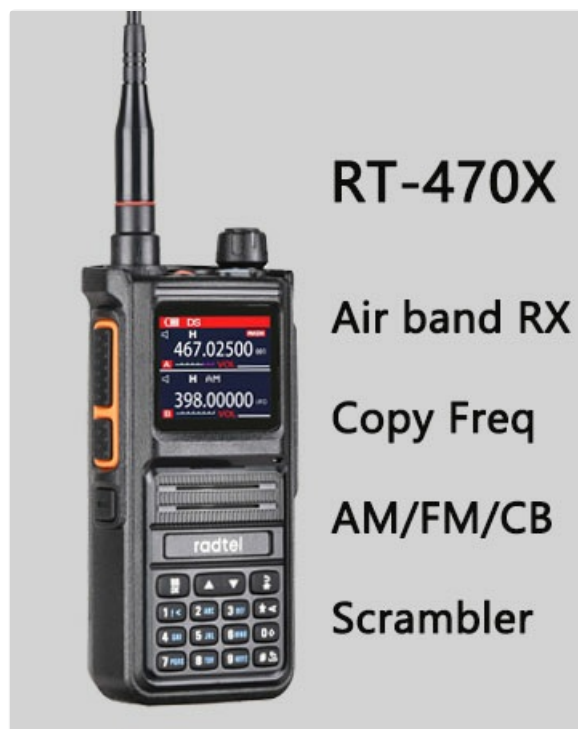


Figure 4.2: Multiple Charging Methods. The image illustrates charging the walkie-talkie directly on the charging stand, or removing the battery to charge it separately in the cradle. It also shows various USB power sources like a laptop, wall charger, and car charger.

A fully charged 1500mAh Li-ion battery provides approximately 2-3 days of standby time.



Figure 4.3: Battery Capacity and Standby Time. This image highlights the 1500mAh battery capacity, providing 2-3 days of standby time.

5. BASIC OPERATION

5.1 Power On/Off and Volume Adjustment

1. To power on the radio, rotate the Power/Volume knob clockwise. You will hear a voice prompt indicating "Power on".
2. Continue rotating the knob clockwise to increase the volume. Rotate counter-clockwise to decrease the volume.
3. To power off the radio, rotate the Power/Volume knob counter-clockwise until it clicks.

5.2 Channel Selection

The RT88 has 16 FRS channels. To select a channel:

- Rotate the Channel knob to select your desired channel (1-16). A voice prompt will announce the selected channel number.
- Ensure all radios in your group are set to the same channel for communication.

5.3 Transmitting and Receiving

1. To transmit, press and hold the PTT (Push-to-Talk) button located on the side of the radio. Speak clearly into the microphone.
2. Release the PTT button to stop transmitting and return to receive mode.
3. When receiving a signal, the LED indicator will light up green.

5.4 VOX Function (Hands-Free Operation)

The VOX (Voice Operated Exchange) function allows you to transmit without pressing the PTT button. The radio will automatically transmit when it detects your voice.

- To activate VOX: In Channels 1-5, turn off the radio. Press and hold both the PTT and MONI buttons, then power on the radio until it says "VOX - ON / OFF".
- The RT88 offers 3 sensitivity levels for VOX. Adjust as needed for optimal performance.



Figure 5.1: Hands-Free VOX Operation. This image shows a person cycling, demonstrating the convenience of the VOX function for hands-free communication.

5.5 LED Flashlight

The RT88 is equipped with a built-in LED flashlight for convenience in low-light conditions.

- Press the dedicated Flashlight button to turn the LED light on or off.



Figure 5.2: Built-in LED Flashlight. The image shows two RT88 radios with their integrated flashlights active, providing illumination in dark environments.

6. ADVANCED FEATURES

6.1 Channel Scan

The scan function allows the radio to automatically scan through all 16 channels to detect activity.

- To activate Scan: In Channel 16, turn off the radio. Press and hold both the PTT and MONI buttons, then power on the radio until it says "Scan ON / OFF".

6.2 CTCSS/DCS Codes

The RT88 supports 50 CTCSS (Continuous Tone-Coded Squelch System) and 105 DCS (Digitally Coded Squelch) codes. These codes help filter out unwanted conversations on a channel, allowing you to hear only transmissions from users with the same code set.

For specific programming of CTCSS/DCS codes, refer to the detailed programming guide or contact Radtel support.

Multi-way working

2480 combinations are perfect for
Multi-persons working



Figure 6.1: Multi-way Working Capabilities. This image highlights the 2480 combinations possible with 16 FRS channels and 50 CTCSS/105 DCS codes, ideal for multi-person communication in various environments.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
Model Number	RT88
Channels	16 FRS Channels
Frequency Range	462.5625 MHz - 467.7125 MHz
Talking Range (Max)	5 Miles (Open Air)
Battery Type	Lithium Ion (1500mAh)
Voltage	3.7 Volts
Charging	Desktop Charger, Direct USB Charging
Special Features	VOX (Hands-free), LED Flashlight, Channel Scan, CTCSS/DCS Codes
Water Resistance Level	Not Water Resistant
FCC ID	2AZSA-RT88

Problem	Possible Cause / Solution
Cannot Transmit or Receive	◦ Radios are on different channels. Ensure both radios are on the same channel. ◦ Battery is low. Recharge the battery. ◦ Too far apart or obstructions. Move closer or to an open area. ◦ CTCSS/DCS codes mismatch. Ensure both radios have the same CTCSS/DCS settings if enabled.
Poor Audio Quality / Static	◦ Volume too low. Adjust the volume knob. ◦ Out of range. Move closer to the other radio. ◦ Interference. Try changing to a different channel. ◦ Antenna is loose. Ensure the antenna is securely attached.
VOX not working	◦ VOX function is disabled. Re-enable VOX as per section 5.4. ◦ VOX sensitivity is too low. Adjust VOX sensitivity to a higher level.

9. SAFETY INFORMATION

Please read and understand the following safety precautions before using your Radtel RT88 walkie-talkie:

- Do not operate the radio in explosive atmospheres (e.g., flammable gases, dust particles, metallic powders).
- Do not attempt to disassemble or modify the radio. Repairs should only be performed by qualified technicians.
- Use only Radtel-approved batteries and chargers. Using unapproved accessories may void your warranty and cause damage.
- Do not expose the radio to extreme temperatures, direct sunlight, or excessive moisture. The radio is not water resistant.
- Keep the radio and its accessories out of reach of small children.
- Avoid holding the antenna directly when transmitting.
- If the radio emits smoke or an unusual odor, immediately turn off the power and remove the battery.
- Dispose of batteries responsibly according to local regulations. Do not dispose of batteries in fire.

10. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

The Radtel RT88 walkie-talkie comes with a **1-year warranty** from the date of purchase. This warranty covers manufacturing defects and workmanship under normal use.

The warranty does not cover damage caused by:

- Accident, misuse, abuse, or neglect.
- Unauthorized modification or repair.
- Exposure to water or other liquids (as the product is not water resistant).
- Improper installation or operation not in accordance with this manual.

For warranty claims, technical support, or further inquiries, please contact Radtel customer service through the retailer where you purchased the product or visit the official Radtel website.

FCC Compliance: This device complies with Part 95 of the FCC Rules. Its FCC ID is 2AZSA-RT88. Operation is subject to the condition that this device does not cause harmful interference.

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