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Model: A36SE

INTRODUCTION

The Talkpod A36SE is a versatile GMRS handheld radio designed for reliable communication. It features multi-band reception, NOAA weather alerts, and a durable design suitable for various outdoor and professional environments. This manual provides detailed instructions for the proper setup, operation, and maintenance of your A36SE radio.

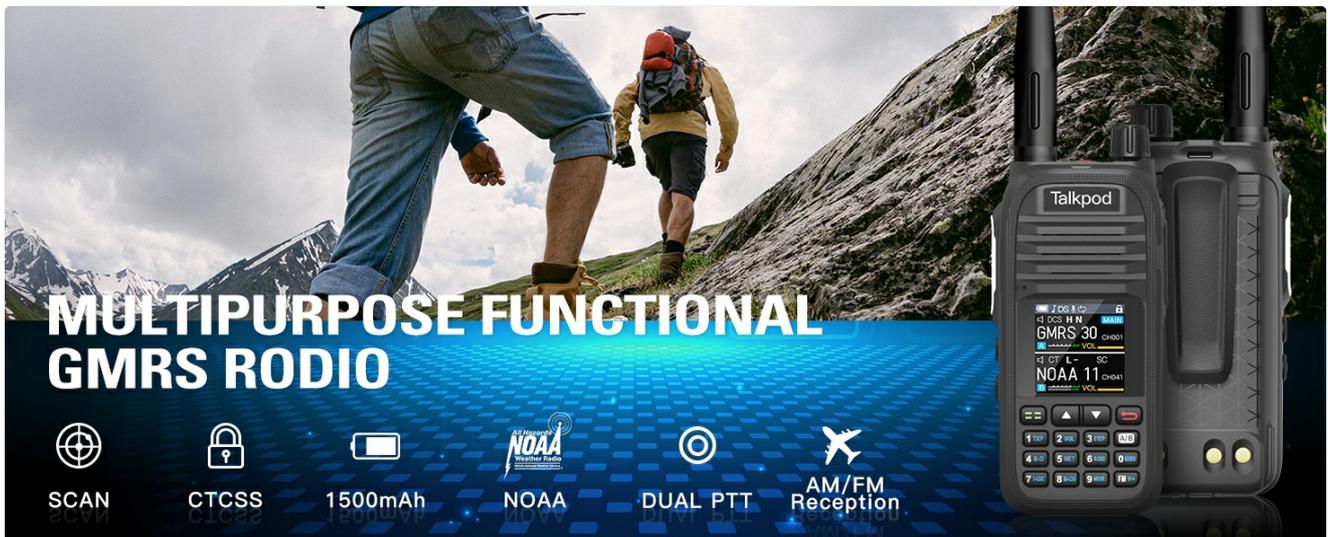


Image: Overview of the Talkpod A36SE's exceptional performance features.

SETUP

Included Components

Verify that all the following items are included in your package:

- 1 x Talkpod A36SE GMRS Radio Handheld
- 1 x 1500mAh Type-C Battery
- 1 x 805 Short Antenna
- 1 x 15.12-inch 771 AM Antenna (120/300MHz)
- 1 x Earpiece

- 1 x Desk Charger
- 1 x USB-C Charger & Cable
- 1 x K-Port Cable
- 1 x Back Clip
- 1 x User Manual
- 1 x Lanyard

Product Overview



Image: Detailed diagram of the Talkpod A36SE radio with all components labeled and dimensions.

Battery Installation and Charging

To install the battery, align the battery pack with the compartment on the back of the radio and slide it into place until it clicks. To remove, press the release latch and slide the battery out.



Image: The 1500mAh Type-C rechargeable battery.

The A36SE radio can be charged using the included desk charger or directly via a USB-C cable. Ensure the radio is powered off during charging for optimal battery life.

MULTI WAYS TO CHARGE YOUR RADIO



Each walkie-talkie comes with a desktop charger and USB-C charging cable for individual and faster charging.

Image: Multiple charging options for the Talkpod A36SE, including desk charger and USB-C direct charging.

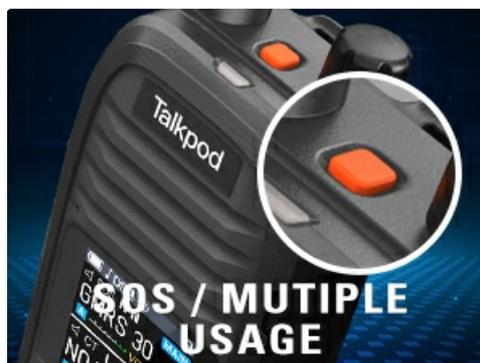


Image: Detail of the Type-C charging port on the Talkpod A36SE.

Antenna Attachment

Screw the desired antenna clockwise onto the antenna connector on top of the radio until it is finger-tight. Do not



Image: The 771 long antenna for extended range and the 805 short antenna for compact use.

The A36SE includes both a 771 long antenna for extended range communication and an 805 short antenna for situations where a compact size is preferred, such as indoor use or when ultra-long-distance communication is not required.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

Basic Controls

- **Power/Volume Knob:** Rotate to turn the radio on/off and adjust the volume.
- **PTT (Push-to-Talk) Button:** Press and hold to transmit, release to receive.
- **SOS Button:** Press for emergency alert functions.
- **Side Buttons (1 & 2):** Customizable functions, refer to the programming section.
- **Keypad:** Used for frequency input, menu navigation, and feature activation.
- **Menu/Confirm Key:** Accesses the menu and confirms selections.
- **Up/Down Keys:** Navigate through menu options and channels.

Channel and Frequency Management

The A36SE supports 512 channels. It operates on GMRS frequencies (Tx: 462/467MHz) and has a wide receive range (Rx: 136-520MHz).

Entering Your Favorite Channel

1. Press and hold the Menu button to switch to VFO mode.
2. Enter the desired channel number on the keypad. The channel will be displayed on the screen.
3. Briefly press the Menu button and use the "Up" key to navigate to menu option 09.
4. Press the "Up" key to find the channel (e.g., CH-011) and then press the Menu button to save.



Image: Step-by-step guide for entering and saving a favorite channel.

Clearing Memory Channels

1. Press the Menu button briefly and press the Up button to go to menu option 20.
2. Press the Up button to find the channel you want to delete.
3. Press the Menu Key to save the deletion.



Image: Step-by-step guide for clearing memory channels.

Advanced Features

- **Multi-band Reception:** Enjoy AM/FM radio reception, NOAA Weather alerts, and Air Band receiving capabilities.
- **DTMF Lock & Roger Beep:** Enhance communication control and signal confirmation.
- **Scrambler:** Provides basic voice privacy.
- **VOX (Voice Operated Exchange):** Allows hands-free transmission.
- **Repeater Function:** Extends communication range through repeaters.
- **Scan:** Automatically scans through channels or frequencies.



Image: The Talkpod A36SE supports Aviation Band receiving.

Single-Key Frequency Matching (Crack Frequency)

This feature allows you to quickly capture and match frequencies during transmission.



Image: Single-Key Frequency Matching for quick frequency capture.

Monitor Mode

To monitor other radios, press and hold Side Key 3 to enter Monitor mode, which instantly opens the squelch.



Image: Using Monitor mode to listen to other radios.

Programming the Radio

The A36SE can be programmed using a K-Port Cable with CHIRP software or Talkpod's dedicated programming software. This allows for advanced customization of channels, frequencies, and features.

MULTI WAY TO PROGRAM YOUR RADIO

K-Port Cable Programming



CHIRP



TALKPOD PROGRAMMING
SOFTWARE



Image: Programming the Talkpod A36SE using a K-Port cable and CHIRP software.

Product Video Overview

Video: An official product video demonstrating various features and uses of the Talkpod A36SE GMRS Handheld Radio.

MAINTENANCE

Battery Care

- Charge the battery fully before first use.
- Avoid overcharging or completely draining the battery to prolong its lifespan.
- Store the battery in a cool, dry place when not in use for extended periods.

Cleaning and Storage

- Clean the radio's exterior with a soft, damp cloth. Do not use harsh chemicals or solvents.
- Ensure all ports are dry before charging or connecting accessories.
- Store the radio in a dry environment, away from extreme temperatures and direct sunlight.

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your Talkpod A36SE radio, consider the following basic troubleshooting steps:

- **No Power:** Ensure the battery is properly installed and charged. Check the power/volume knob.
- **Cannot Transmit/Receive:** Verify the antenna is securely attached. Check the selected channel/frequency. Ensure you are within range of other radios or repeaters.
- **Poor Audio Quality:** Adjust the volume. Check the antenna connection. Ensure there is no interference.
- **Programming Issues:** Ensure the K-Port cable is correctly connected and the programming software is compatible and up-to-date.

For more complex issues, refer to the Customer Support section.

SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Specification
Model Number	A36SE
FCC ID	2ADQZGMRS1 (Part 15B and Part 95E)
Item Weight	1.28 pounds
Package Dimensions	9.21 x 7.01 x 2.52 inches
Batteries	1 Lithium Ion battery required (included)
Number of Channels	512
Special Feature	Dual Band, Multi-band Receiving (AM/FM, NOAA, Air Band)
Frequency Range (Tx)	462/467MHz
Frequency Range (Rx)	136-520MHz
Talking Range Maximum	10 Mile (approximate, varies by terrain)
Water Resistance Level	Not Water Resistant
Compatible Devices	Earpieces, Antennas, Devices supporting DTMF and Roger Beep features

WARRANTY INFORMATION

Talkpod products are manufactured to high-quality standards. This product comes with a standard manufacturer's warranty against defects in materials and workmanship. Please retain your proof of purchase for warranty claims. Specific warranty duration and terms may vary by region and retailer. For detailed warranty information, please contact Talkpod customer support.

CUSTOMER SUPPORT

Should you encounter any problems while using your Talkpod A36SE two-way radio, our professional technical team is available to provide assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact us for a satisfactory solution.

Contact Information:

- Via Amazon messaging system (if purchased through Amazon)
- Via email (refer to product packaging or official Talkpod website for email address)