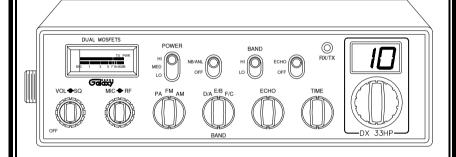
# Galaxy

**DX-33HP** 



10 Meter Amateur Mobile Transceiver

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## **Specifications**

#### **GENERAL**

Frequency Range 28.065 to 28.505 MHz

Frequency Control Phase Lock Loop (PLL) synthesizer.

Frequency Tolerance 0.005% Frequency Stability 0.001%

Operating Temperature  $-30 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+50 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

Range

Microphone Plug-in dynamic; with push-to-talk switch and

coiled cord.

Input Voltage 13.8V DC nominal, 15.9V max, 11.7V min.

(Positive or negative ground).

Current Transmit: AM/FM Hi Power 10A.

Receiver: Squelched, \_ 0.3A.

Maximum Audio output, \_ 0.7A.

Size 2-3/8" (H) x 7-7/8" (W) x 9-1/4" (D).

Weight 5.0 lbs.
Antenna Connector UHF, SO239

Meter Illuminated; indicates relative output power,

received signal strength.

#### TRANSMITTER

Power output AM/FM, - Selectable 10W/5W/2W

AM Peak Power - 50 Watts.

Modulation High-and low-level Class B, Amplitude

Modulation: AM. Variable capacitance

Frequency Modulation: FM.

Spurious Emissions 60 dB

Frequency Response AM and FM: 450 to 2500 Hz.

Output Impedance 50 ohms, unbalanced

Output Indicators Meter- shows relative RF output power.

Transmit LED glows red when transmitter is

in operation.

#### RECEIVER

Sensitivity AM:  $0.5 \mu V$  for 10 dB (S+N)/N at greater than

½-watt of audio output.

FM: 1.0  $\mu V$  for 20 dB (S+N)/N at greater than

½watt of audio output.

Selectivity AM/FM: 6 dB @ 3 KHz, 50 dB @ 9 KHz.

Image Rejection More than 65 dB.

IF Frequency AM/FM: 10.695 MHz 1<sup>st</sup> IF, 455 KHz 2<sup>nd</sup>

IF

Adjacent-Channel 60 dB AM

Rejection

RF Gain Control 45 dB adjustable for optimum signal

reception.

Automatic Gain Control Less than 10 dB change in audio output for

(AGC) inputs from 10 to 100,000mV.

Squelch Adjustable; threshold less than  $0.5 \mu V$ .

ANL Switchable
Noise Blanker RF type

Audio Output Power 4 watts into 8 ohms. Frequency Response 300 to 2800 Hz. Built-in Speaker 8 ohms, round.

External Speaker (Not 8 ohms; disables internal speaker when

Supplied) connected.

### **Installation**

#### LOCATION

Plan the location of the transceiver and microphone bracket before starting the installation. Select a location that is convenient for operation and does not interfere with the driver or passengers in the vehicles. In automobiles, the transceiver is usually mounted below the dash panel, with the microphone bracket beside it.

#### MOUNTING THE RADIO

Your transceiver is supplied with a universal mounting bracket. When mounting the bracket and radio to your car, make sure it is mechanically strong. Also provide a good electrical connection to the chassis of the vehicle. Proceed as follows to mount the transceiver:

- After you have determined the most convenient location in your vehicle, hold
  the transceiver with mounting bracket in the exact location desired. If nothing
  will interfere with mounting it in the desired position, remove the mounting
  bolts. Before drilling the holes, make sure nothing will interfere with the
  installation of the mounting bolts.
- Connect the antenna coax connector to the standard antenna connector on the rear panel of the radio. Most antennas are terminated with a type PL-259 connector.
- 3. Connect the red DC power input wire (with the fuse) to +13.8V DC. This wire extends from the rear panel. In automatic installation, +13.8V DC is usually obtained from the accessory contact on the ignition switch. This prevents the set being left on accidentally when the driver leaves the car and also permits operating the unit without the engine running. Locate the accessory contact on most ignition switches by tracing the power wire from the AM broadcast receiver in the car.
- 4. Connect the black lead to −13.8V DC. This is usually the chassis of the car. Any convenient location with good electrical contact (remove paint) may be used.
- 5. Mount the microphone bracket on the right side of the transceiver or near the transceiver, using two screws supplied. When mounting in an automobile, place the bracket under the dash so the microphone is readily accessible.

#### IGNITION NOISE INTERFERENCE

Use of a mobile receiver at low signal levels is normally limited by the presence of electrical noise. The primary source of noise in automobile installations is from the generator and ignition system in the vehicle. Under most operating conditions, when signal level is adequate, the background noise does not present a serious problem. Also, when extremely low level signals are being received, the transceiver may be operated with vehicle engine turned off. The unit requires very little current and therefore will not significantly discharge the vehicle battery.

Even though the transceiver has ANL and NB controls, in same installations ignition interference may be high enough to make good communications impossible. The electrical noise may come from several sources. Many possibilities exist and variations between vehicles require different solutions to reduce the noise.

#### **ANTENNA**

A vertically polarized, quarter-wavelength whip antenna provides the most reliable operation and greatest range. Shorter, loaded-type whip antennas are more attractive, compact and adequate for applications where the maximum possible distance is not required. Also, the loaded whips do not present the problems of height imposed by a full quarter-wavelength whip.

Mobile whip antennas utilize the metal body of the vehicle as a ground plane. When mounted at a corner of the vehicle they are slightly directional, in the direction of the body of the vehicle. For all practical purpose, however, the radiation pattern is nondirectional. The slight directional characteristic will be observed only at extreme distance. A standard antenna connector (type SO239) is provided on the transceiver for easy connection to a standard PL 259 cable termination.

If the transceiver is not mounted on a metal surface, it is necessary to run a separate ground wire from the unit to a good metal electrical ground in the vehicle. When installed in a boat, the transceiver will not operate at maximum efficiency without a ground plate, unless the vessel has a steel hull.

Before installing the transceiver in a boat, consult your dealer for information regarding an adequate grounding system and prevention of electrolysis between fittings in the hull and water.

#### NOTE

THE PROPER SETTING IS ACHIEVED WHEN THE SWR IS 1.5 OR BELOW, AND WHEN IT HAS THE SAME READING FOR CHANNELS LOW BAND A1 AND HI BAND D40.

If you are having difficulties in adjusting your antenna, check the following:

- A. All doors must be closed when adjusting the antenna.
- B. Make sure the antenna base is grounded.
- C. Check your coaxial cable routing (it may be pinched when routed into the car).
- D. Try a different location on your car (keeping in mind the radiation pattern you wish)
- E. Is the antenna perfectly vertical?
- F. Try a different location in your neighborhood. Stay away from large metal objects when adjusting (metal telephone or light posts, fences, etc.).

#### NOTE \_\_\_\_

The transceiver will operate into an SWR of 2 to 1 indefinitely and sustain an SWR of 20:1 for a maximum of 5 minutes at rated operating conditions.

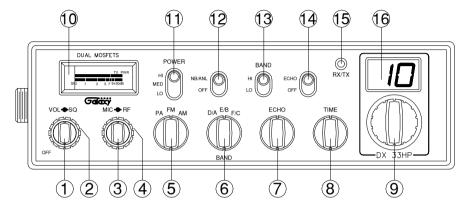
#### EXTERNAL SPEAKER

The external speaker jack (EXT.SPK) on the rear panel is used for remote receiver monitoring. The external speaker should have 8 ohms impedance and be able to handle at least 4 watts. When the external speaker is plugged in, the internal speaker is disconnected.

## **Operation**

#### CONTROL FUNCTIONS

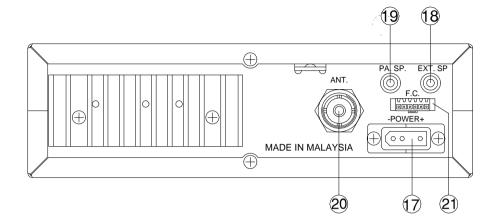
There are thirteen controls and three indicators on the front panel of your transceiver.



#### FRONT PANEL

- 1. OFF/ON/VOLUME (inner dual concentric). Turn clockwise to apply power to the unit and to set the desired listening level. During normal operation, the VOLUME control is used to adjust the output level obtained either at the transceiver speaker or the external speaker, if used.
- 2. SQUELCH (outer dual concentric). This control is used to cut off or eliminate receiver background noise in the absence of an incoming signal. For maximum receiver sensitivity it is desired that the control be adjusted only to the point where the receiver background noise or ambient backgrounds noise is eliminated. Turn fully counterclockwise then slowly clockwise until the receiver noise disappears. Any signal to be received must now be slightly stronger than the average received noise. Further clockwise rotation will increase the threshold level, which a signal must overcome in order to be heard. Only strong signals will be heard at a maximum clockwise setting.
- **3. MIC GAIN** (**inner dual concentric**). Adjust the microphone gain in the transmit and PA modes. This controls the gain to the extent that full talk power is available several inches away from the microphone.

- **4. RF GAIN CONTROL** (**outer dual concentric**). Use to reduce the gain of the receive under strong signal conditions.
- **5. MODE** (**PA/FM/AM**) **SWITCH.** This switch is used to select PA, FM, AM mode of operation. When you set to PA position, the transceiver acts as a public address amplifier. Before operating PA, you must first connect an external PA speaker (8 ohm, 4-watt) to the PA Speaker jack on the unit rear panel.
- **6. BAND SELECTOR.** This switch is used to select the band.
- **7. ECHO.** This control is used to echo effect.
- **8. TIME.** This control is used to intervals of echo sound.
- CHANNEL SELECTOR. This switch selects any one of the forty channels desired. The selected channel number on the LED readout directly above the Channel Selector knob.
- **10. METER.** This meter indicates received signal strength, transmitter RF output power.
- **11. RF POWER.** This switch is used to select transmitting power. In the HI position, the transceiver operates at 10 watts RF output power. In the MED position, the transceiver operates 5 watts RF output power. In the LO position, the transceiver operates in 2 watts RF output power.
- **12. OFF/ANL/NB.** When the switch is placed in the ANL+NB position, the RF Noise Blanker is also activated. The RF Noise Blanker is very effective for repetitive impulse noise such as ignition interference.
- **13. BAND SWITCH-HI/LOW.** This switch is used to select High band and or Low band Frequency Range.
- **14. OFF-ECHO SWITCH.** This switch when set to ECHO position, will add an echo effect to your voice.
- **15. RECIEVER/TRANSMIT INDICATOR.** The receiver/transmit LED indicator is located next to the channel indicator. When in receive, the LED will be green. When in transmit the LED will be red.
- **16. CHANNEL INDICATOR.** Numbered LED indicates the selected channel you wish to operate on.



- **17. POWER.** Accepts 13.8V DC power cable with built-in fuse (10 amp.) to be connected.
- **18. EXT SP.** Accepts 4 to 8 ohms, 5-watt external speaker to be connected. When external speaker is connected to this jack, the built-in speaker is automatically disconnected.
- **19. PA. SP.** Used to connect a PA speaker (8 ohm 4W) for PA operation. Before operating PA you must first connect a PA speaker to this jack.
- **20. ANTENNA.** Accepts 50 ohm coaxial cable with a type PL-259 connected.
- **21. F.C.** This socket is for the optional FREQUENCY COUNTER model FC-347, The FC347 will indicate the transmit and receive frequency.

#### PRESS-TO-TALK MICROPHONE

The receiver and transmitter are controlled by the press-to-talk switch on the microphone. Press the switch and the transmitter is activated, release switch to receive. When transmitting, hold the microphone two inches from the mouth and speak clearly in a normal "voice". The radios come complete with low-impedance (500 ohm) dynamic microphone. For installation instruction on other microphones, see next section, "ALTERNATE MICROPHONES AND INSTALLATION".

#### OPERATING PROCEDURE TO RECEIVE

- 1. Be sure that power source, microphone and antenna are connected to the proper connectors before going to the next step.
- 2. Turn unit on by tuning VOL control clockwise on your transceiver.
- 3. Set the **VOLUME** for a comfortable listening level.
- 4. Set the **MODE** switch to the desire mode.
- 5. Listen to the background noise from the speaker. Turn the SQUELCH control slowly clockwise until the noise JUST disappears (no signal should be present). Leave the control at this setting. The SQUELCH is now properly adjusted. The receive will remain quiet until a signal is actually received. Do not advance the control too far, or some of the weaker signals will not be heard.
- 6. Set **CHANNEL** selector switch to the desired channel.
- 7. Set the **RF** gain control fully clockwise for maximum **RF** gain.

#### OPERATING PROCEDURE TO TRANSMIT

- Select the desired channel of transmission.
- 2. Set the **MIC GAIN** control fully clockwise.
- 3. If the channel is clear, depress the push-to-talk switch on the microphone and speak in a normal voice.

#### ALTERNATE MICROPHONES AND INSTALLATION

For best results, the user should select a low-impedance dynamic type microphone or a transistorized microphone. Transistorized type microphones have a low output impedance characteristic. The microphones must be provided with a four-lead cable. The audio conductor and its shielded lead comprise two of the leads. The fourth lead is for receive control, and the third is for transmit control. The microphone should provide the functions shown in schematic below.

A WIDE MIC CADLE

4 WIRE MIC CADLE		
Pin Number	Mic Cable Lead	
1	Audio shield	
2	Audio Lead	
3	Transmit control	
4	Receive Control	

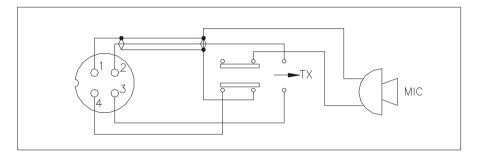


Fig. 1 Your transceiver microphone schematic.

If the microphone to be used is provided with pre-cut leads, they must be revised as follows.

- 1. Cut leads so that they extend 7/16" beyond the plastic insulating jacket of the microphone cable.
- 2. All leads should be cut to the same length. Strip the ends of each wire 1/8" and tin the exposed wire.

Before beginning the actual wiring read carefully, the circuit and wiring information provided with the microphone you select. Use the minimum head required in soldering the connections. Keep the exposed wire lengths to a minimum to avoid shorting when the microphone plug is reassembled.

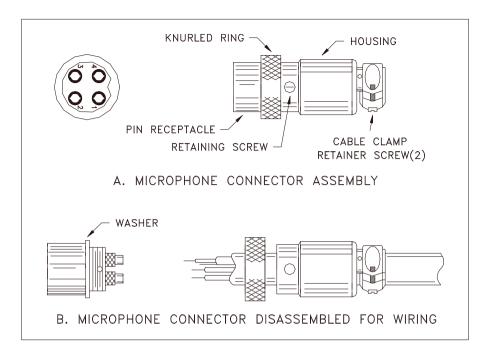


Fig. 2 Microphone plug wiring

- 1. Remove the retaining screw
- 2. Unscrew the housing from the pin receptacle body
- 3. Loosen the two cable clamp retainer screws.
- 4. Feed the microphone cable through the housing, knurled ring and washer as shown Fig. 2.
- 5. The wires must now be soldered to the pins as indicated in the above wiring tables. If a vise or clamping tool is available it should be used to hold the pin receptacle body during the soldering operation, so that both hands are free to perform the soldering. If a vise or clamping tool is not available, the pin receptacle body can be held in a stationary position by inserting it into the microphone jack of the front panel. The numbers of the pins of the microphone plug are shown in Fig. 3, as viewed from the back of the plug. Before soldering the wire to the pins, pre-tin the wire receptacle of each pin of the plug.

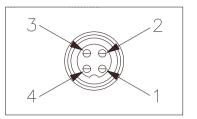


Fig. 3 Microphone plug pin numbers viewed from rear of pin receptacle.

Be sure that the housing and the knurled ring of Fig. 2 are pushed back onto the microphone cable before starting to solder. If the washer is not captive to the pin receptacle body, make sure that it is placed on the threaded portion of the pin receptacle body before soldering.

If the microphone jack is used to hold the pin receptacle during the soldering operation, best results are obtained when the connections to pins 1 and 3 are made first and then the connections to pins 2 and 4. Use a minimum amount of solder and be careful to prevent excessive solder accumulation on pins, which could cause a short between the pin and the microphone plug housing.

- 6. When all soldering connections to the pins of the microphone plug are complete, push the knurled ring and the housing forward and screw the housing onto the threaded portion of the pin receptacle body. Note the location of the screw clearance hole in the plug housing with respect to the threaded hole in the pin receptacle body. When the housing is completely threaded into the pin receptacle body, a final fraction of a turn either clockwise or counterclockwise may be required to align the screw hole with the threaded hole in the pin receptacle body. When these are aligned, the retaining screw is then screwed into the place to secure the housing to the pin receptacle body.
- 7. The two cable clamp retainer screws should now be tightened to secure the housing to the microphone cord. If the cutting directions have been carefully followed, the cable clamp should secure to the insulating jacket of the microphone cable.
- 8. Upon completion of the microphone plug wiring, connect and secure the microphone plug in the transceiver.