

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT

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RADIO COMMUNICATIONS PROCEDURES

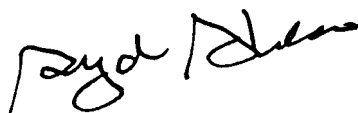
The Department of Conservation and Land Management's two way radio network comprises of some 650 VHF sets working through 22 repeaters and 160 HF sets operating under 11 base stations, plus RT in aircraft. The network is spread over the whole State and is used in the carrying out of a multitude of functions conducted by the Department. Many of these functions involve radio communications with organisations outside the Department, who often share our frequencies, eg. Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades and the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

It is essential that the CALM network as a whole is operated in the most efficient manner possible and in accordance with the Department of Communications regulations. It is also important that CALM is seen to be professional in its approach and its use of correct radio procedures.

The radio procedures to be adopted by ALL radio operators within CALM have been formalised and are contained in the booklet "Radio Communications", which has been produced jointly by Fire Protection and Communication Branches.

ALL staff operating any two way CALM radio are to familiarise themselves with these procedures and are to ensure that they are correctly used at all times.

Due to financial restraints, only a limited number of the booklets have been printed, however, the relevant sections can be supplied by Fire Protection Branch SOHQ on request.



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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