

AUDITORY CUEING:

During Message Scanning you can enable the communicator to speak the message being scanned, but at reduced volume. This gives the user an auditory "preview" of the current message. Pressing the capability switch again will play the current message at full volume. To turn Auditory Cueing ON or OFF, press buttons 2 & 3 simultaneously and hold until a "beep" is heard.

TROUBLESHOOTING:

Problem: The unit fails to operate, or operates incorrectly.

Action #1: Make sure that you have fresh batteries in the unit and that they are installed according to proper polarity.

Action #2: Make sure that the volume is turned up to an audible level

Action #3: Make sure that there is nothing inhibiting the depression of the touch pad OR pressing the touch pad down (i.e. icons, crumbs, sticky juice, etc.)

Action #5: If you are using an external capability switch, make sure that there is a TIGHT connection between the switch and the unit (there should be NO gaps). Especially check this when using adapters. Any gaps will cause the unit to function incorrectly or not work at all.

Action #6: If you are using an external capability switch, test that switch with another device to rule out the switch as the source of the problem. Do the same with any adapters that you may be using.

REPLACING BATTERIES:

Replace batteries regularly. Weak batteries will cause the Choice 4 to act erratically, such as shutting off while playing messages.

Use brand name ALKALINE batteries ONLY (e.g. Duracell or Eveready Energizer).

Do NOT use rechargeable batteries.

Do NOT mix new and old batteries.

To extend battery life, always shut the Choice 4 OFF when not in use.

Always remove batteries when the unit will not be used for extended periods of time. Dead batteries often leak acid and can cause permanent damage to the communicator.

PRECAUTIONS:

Never hit the icon surface with a hard object or permanent damage can result.

Never tape or affix anything directly to the icon surface.

Always keep a paper insert installed in the Choice 4 to protect the activation cells.

Always keep liquids far away from the communicator to prevent permanent damage to the internal circuitry from spillage.

CARE OF UNIT:

The 4 Choice Communicator can be wiped clean with any household multi-purpose cleaner and disinfectant. We recommend Simple Green, which is a non toxic biodegradable all-purpose cleaner.

Do not submerge the unit, as it will damage the contents and the electrical components.

Do not use abrasive cleaners, as they will scratch the surface of the unit.

4 Choice Sequential Scanner For The VI - #1247

USER'S GUIDE

Brightly illuminated icons!

Our new unique state-of-the-art communicator provides powerful illumination of your icons. It is also extremely flexible – four scan modes, choice of the number of fields to use, and two mounting systems. Features:

- 12 levels
- 300 seconds of recording time
- Recordable level announcer
- Work in fields of 1, 2, 3, or 4
- Two jacks for one or two switch scanning
- 4 modes of scanning – Inverse, Automatic, Two Switch, and Step
- Adjustable scanning speed (1-12 seconds)
- On/Off Auditory Cueing
- Volume Control
- Two mounting systems – 19 inch gooseneck with clamp or base for tabletop use
- Storage compartment in base
- 4 Icon Holders
- Voice Recording Quality

Communicator Size: 16"L x 2 1/2"W x 6"H; Base Size: 17"L x 5 3/4"W x 4"H. Requires 2C and 4AA Batteries.

BATTERY INSTALLATION:

Make sure unit is in the OFF position by rotating the ON-OFF-VOLUME control located on the bottom of the unit counter clockwise until a "click" is heard. The battery compartments are located on the bottom of unit. Carefully turn the unit over to reveal the battery compartments. Remove the small Phillip's Head screws from the covers, and then slide the covers off. Observing polarity, install 2 C size batteries into the one holder and 4 AA into the other. Alkaline batteries must be used only (e.g. Duracell or Energizer brand). Do not use rechargeable batteries or any other type of batteries because they supply lower voltage and the unit will not perform properly. Never mix brands, types or old and new batteries together. Replace covers and screws.

OPERATION:

Rotate the ON-OFF-VOLUME control to approximately its' midway position. After one second, you will hear a sound or a verbal message from the speaker. This is the Level Announcement Message. The unit is now on Level One of the twelve levels provided in the Communicator.

PLAYING MESSAGES:

At this time, you can access each of the 4 messages on Level One by pressing any one of the four icons, one at a time.

RECORDING MESSAGES:

Using one hand, press and hold the Record button on the underside of the unit. Using your other hand, press the icon you wish to record and speak into the microphone. Releasing the icon or Record button will cancel recording. If you are going to record more than one message, you may press and hold the record button while pressing the appropriate icons to record your messages.

RECORDING LEVEL ANNOUNCEMENT MESSAGE:

Your Level Announcement Message may be changed at any time. There are 12 levels (a level is a set or group of messages).

Turn the unit on by turning the ON/OFF/VOLUME knob located on the bottom panel of the unit. **(Please Note: When the unit is first turned ON it will default to Level 1 and speak the recorded message for that level).** To record your level announcements do the following. Press and **HOLD** the red record button on the bottom of the unit first. Next press and **HOLD** the Level Changer button also on the bottom of the unit. Speak the name of your level clearly, (for example "Food") with your mouth preferably about 6" from the microphone (the small "fuzzy"

circle on the bottom of the unit) then release both. To record the next level announcement first press the Level changer cell. It will play a previous message (if one was recorded). Now you can record the next level by first pressing and holding the REC button and then pressing the Level changer cell and finally speaking the name of your next level. Release both buttons. Record all remaining Level announcements this way.

CHANGING LEVELS:

Each time the Level button is pressed, the communicator will advance to the next level. Pressing the Level button on Level Twelve will return the communicator to Level One. Simply follow the instructions above to record each of the four communicator messages or your Level Announcement Message for each level. You **MUST** cycle through all remaining levels and return to that particular level to hear that Level Announcement Message.

BLOCKING MESSAGE FIELDS:

With the unit **ON:**

- Press message buttons 1 & 2 simultaneously to block message 2.
- Press Message buttons 1 & 3 simultaneously to block message 3.
- Press Message buttons 1 & 4 simultaneously to block message 4.
- Repeat procedure to unblock, or turn the unit off to clear all blocked cells.

MESSAGE SCANNING:

The communicator has four different scan modes, two modes for single-switch scanning and two modes for two-switch scanning. When turning the unit ON from the OFF position, the communicator will reset automatically to Scan Mode 1. To change scan modes, press push buttons 2 & 4 simultaneously and hold until a beep is heard and release. The unit will beep to indicate what mode of scan it is on. (E.G. once for scan mode 1, twice for scan mode 2 and so on). The following is a description of each scan mode and its function:

Scan Mode 1: Inverse scanning. Plug a capability switch into Jack 1 located on the rear of the unit. Press and hold the capability switch to scan each of the 4 compartments. Upon release of the switch, the communicator will play the message of the compartment currently illuminated.

Scan Mode 2: Automatic scanning. Plug a capability switch into Jack 1 located on the rear of the unit. Press the capability switch for a moment and release. The unit will automatically scan each of the compartments and continue scanning until the next press of the capability switch. It will then play the message of the compartment currently illuminated.

Scan Mode 3: Two switch automatic scanning. Plug a capability switch into Jack 1 and another capability switch into Jack 2 located on the rear of the unit. Press the capability switch plugged into Jack 1 for a moment and release. The unit will automatically scan each of the compartments and continue scanning until the capability switch that is plugged into Jack 2 is pressed. It will then play the message of the compartment currently illuminated.

Scan Mode 4: Step scanning. Plug a capability switch into Jack 1 and another capability switch into Jack 2 located on the rear of the Talk 8. Each time the capability switch that is plugged into Jack 1 is pressed, it will advance your selected message to the next icon one at a time. Pressing the capability switch that is plugged into Jack 2 will play the message of the icon currently illuminated by the red LED.

SCAN SPEED:

You can control the speed of the Message Scanning by adjusting the Scan Speed knob. Clockwise slows the scan speed and counter clockwise increases scan speed. The range of speed is between 1/2 a second to 12 seconds.

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