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SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT RADIO CODES ASSIGNED FREQUENCIES

Frequency Use

C	Car-to-Car
H	Car-to-Car
E	East Division Subject/Tactical
W	West Division, Subject/Tactical
D	Detective
M	Mobile Command Posts
P-1	Field-to-Car
P-2	Field-to-Field
A	Administrative

Frequency Use

11	San Dimas, Industry
12	Lakewood
13	Norwalk, Pico Rivera
14	East Los Angeles
15	Crescenta Valley, Altadena, Temple
21	Carson, Lomita
22	Firestone, Lynwood
23	Lennox, West Hollywood
24	Malibu
25	Santa Clarita Valley, Antelope Valley
26	Avalon

PATROL STATIONS

Station Number	Station	Pneumonic
1 (10 thru 19)	Firestone	FPK
2 (20 thru 29)	East Los Angeles	ELA
3 (30 thru 39)	Lennox	LNK
4 (40 thru 49)	Norwalk	NWK
5 (50 thru 59)	Temple	TEM
6 (60 thru 69)	Santa Clarita Valley	SCT
7 (70 thru 79)	Altadena	ALD
8 (80 thru 89)	San Dimas	SDM
9 (90 thru 99)	West Hollywood	WHD
10 (100 thru 109)	Malibu	MAL
11 (110 thru 119)	Antelope Valley	AVS
12 (120 thru 129)	Crescenta Valley	CVS

13	(130 thru 139)	Lakewood	LKD
14	(140 thru 149)	Industry	IDT
15	(150 thru 159)	Pico Rivera	PRV
16	(160 thru 169)	Carson	CAS
17	(170 thru 179)	Lomita	LMT
18	(180 thru 189)	Avalon	AVA
19	(250 thru 259)	Lynwood	LYN

Adult Detectives	801 thru 825	A thru Z
Juvenile Detectives	601 thru 625	A thru Z

SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT BUREAU

Unit Numbers Type of Unit

240-R	Rescue Unit
240-249	S.E.B. Units, not assigned to a station
200-225	S.E.B. Units, assigned to a station

OFFICIAL CODES

If you cannot think of the proper code, speak in English, and the message will be relayed.

187	Murder
207	Kidnapping
207-A	Attempt kidnapping
211	Robbery
211-S	Robbery alarm — silent
217	Assault — intent to murder
220	Assault — intent to rape
242	Battery
245	Assault with deadly weapon
246	Shooting at inhabited dwelling

261	Rape
261-A	Attempt rape
273-A	Child neglect
273-D	Wife beating — felony
288	Sex crimes against children
314	Indecent exposure
330	Gambling
374-B	Illegal dumping
390	Drunk
415	Disturbance
415-A	Disturbance in auto
415-B	Disturbance — business dispute
415-C	Disturbance — party crashers
415-D	Disturbance — drunk
415-E	Disturbance — music or party
415-F	Disturbance — family
415-G	Disturbance — gang fight
415-J	Disturbance — juveniles
415-N	Disturbance — neighbors
417	Man with gun
417-A	Man with knife
417-B/S	Barricaded suspect
417-S/F	Shots fired
447	Arson
459	Burglary
459-A	Burglar alarm — audible
459-S	Burglar alarm — silent
470	Forgery
480	Hit and run — felony
481	Hit and run — misdemeanor
483	Hit and run — parked vehicle
487	Theft — grand

487.2	Purse snatch
488	Theft — petty
488-B	Theft — bicycle
502	Drunk driving — misdemeanor
503	Auto theft
503-A	Recovered vehicle
504	Tampering with auto
504-A	Car strippers
510	Speeding or racing
586	Illegal parking
586-E	Illegal parking — blocking driveway
594	Malicious mischief
597	Cruelty to animals
601	Incorrigible
602	Trespassing
604	Throwing missiles
647	Vagrant
647-A	Vagrant loitering near school or public place
653-M	Lewd or threatening phone calls
901-N	Ambulance needed
901-S	Ambulance dispatched — sick or injury
901-T	Ambulance dispatched — traffic
902	Person sick or injured
902-A	Attempt suicide
902-H	Enroute to hospital
902-N	Traffic accident — no injuries
902-R	Rescue responding
902-T	Traffic accident — no details
903	Airplane accident — no details
903-L	Low-flying aircraft
904	Fire

904-A	Fire — auto
904-B	Fire — brush or grass
904-I	Illegal fire
904-S	Structural fire
904-T	Fire — trash
905-B	Animal bites
905-D	Dead animal
905-N	Noisy animal
905-S	Stray animal
905-V	Vicious animal
909-A	Hot wires down
909-T	Traffic hazard
911-A	Contact informant
911-B	Contact officer
911-C	Contact citizen
911-N	Do not contact informant
912	Are we clear?
913	You are clear
914-N	Concerned party notified
916	Officer holding misdemeanor suspect
916-A	Officer holding felony suspect
916-B	Citizen holding misdemeanor suspect
916-C	Citizen holding felony suspect
917-A	Abandoned auto
917-S	Suspicious auto
918	Insane person
918-V	Violently insane person
919	Keep the peace
920	Missing adult
920-A	Found adult
920-C	Missing child
920-F	Found child

921	Prowler
921-P	Peeping Tom
922	Illegal peddling
923	Illegal shooting
924	Station detail
924-B	Notify our station
925	Person acting suspiciously
925-A	Person acting suspiciously in auto
926	Tow truck needed
926-A	Tow truck dispatched
927	Suspicious circumstances
927-A	Suspicious circumstances — person pulled from phone
927-B	Suspicious circumstances — open door or window
927-C	Check vicinity
927-D	Suspicious circumstances — possible dead body
927-S	Suspicious circumstances — woman screaming
928	Found property
928-B	Found property — bicycle
928-L	Lost property
929	Person down
929-A	Person down in auto
930	See the man
930-A	See the manager
931	See the woman
996	Explosion, non criminal
996-B	Bomb explosion
996-T	Bomb threat

- 997 OFFICER NEEDS HELP URGENTLY —
DISTRICT CARS ONLY (FIVE UNITS
WITH SHORTEST ETA TO
RESPOND)
- 998 OFFICER REQUESTING ASSISTANCE,
INVOLVED IN SHOOTING
- 999 OFFICER NEEDS HELP URGENTLY

TEN CODES

- Ten 1 Receiving poorly
- Ten 2 Receiving well
- Ten 4 O.K.
- Ten 5 Relay
- Ten 6 Busy
- Ten 7 Out of service
- Ten 8 In service
- Ten 9 Repeat
- Ten 10 Out of service, subject to call
- Ten 11 Dispatching too rapidly
- Ten 13 Advise weather and road conditions
- Ten 15 Prisoner in custody
- Ten 16 Pick up prisoner
- Ten 17 Pick up papers
- Ten 19 Return to your station
- Ten 20 What is your location?
- Ten 21 Call station by phone
- Ten 22 Take no further action last information
- Ten 23 Stand by
- Ten 27 Any return on number or subject?
- Ten 28 Full registration or record

- Ten 29 Check for wanted
- Ten 29-F Subject is wanted for a felony. Use caution, advise when subject in custody and you are ready for crime information.
- Ten 29-D Subject is wanted and is considered dangerous; use extreme caution. Advise when in custody and ready for information.
- Ten 29-FD Subject is wanted for a felony. Considered armed and dangerous; use extreme caution. Advise when in custody and ready for information.
- Ten 29-M Subject is wanted for misdemeanor crime.
- Ten 29-T Subject is wanted on traffic warrant(s): arrest subject; warrant abstracts are being sent to your station or warrant is at your station.
- Ten 29-V Vehicle reported stolen. Do you have subjects? Advise when ready for information.
- Ten 29-H Confidential information regarding your subject; remove subject out of hearing range of radio and advise when ready for information.
- Ten 31-C Request unit — on frequency C
- Ten 31-H Request unit — on frequency H
- Ten 31-E Request unit — on frequency E
- Ten 31-W Request unit — on frequency W
- Ten 31-D Request unit — on frequency D

Ten 31-M	Request unit — on frequency M
Ten 31-A	Request unit — on frequency A
Ten 33	Request emergency clearance
Ten 34	Request routine clearance
Ten 36	Correct time
Ten 37	Identify operator on duty
Ten 38	Request clearance to run subject(s)
Ten 39	Request to clear call
Ten 97	Arrived at scene
Ten 98	Finished with last assignment

CODES

Code 1	Acknowledge receipt of message
Code 3	Emergency, use red lights and siren
Code 4	No further assistance needed
Code 4-A	No further assistance needed at location — suspect at large in area — field units continue to respond — information to follow
Code 5	Stake out. All units stay away unless emergency or in response to call
Code 6	Out for investigation
Code 7	Out of service to eat
Code 8	Fire alarm
Code 9	One-man unit out for investigation
Code 14	Resume normal operations
Code 20	Unit requests press be notified of newsworthy incident
Code 77	Use caution, possible ambush

PHONETIC ALPHABET

A	..... Adam	N	..... Nora
B	..... Boy	O	..... Ocean
C	..... Charlie	P	..... Paul
D	..... David	Q	..... Queen
E	..... Edward	R	..... Robert
F	..... Frank	S	..... Sam
G	..... George	T	..... Tom
H	..... Henry	U	..... Union
I	..... Ida	V	..... Victor
J	..... John	W	..... William
K	..... King	X	..... X-ray
L	..... Lincoln	Y	..... Young
M	..... Mary	Z	..... Zebra

BROADCAST PROCEDURES

One-Man Unit Designator

The addition of the letter "K" to any call letters indicates a one-man unit.

Crime Broadcast

When making a crime broadcast request a clearance (10-34) for B/C, specify which broadcast group, secode group, and/or any other agency desired, then give the following information in sequence:

1. Type of crime
2. Location of crime
3. Time of occurrence
4. Vehicle description
5. Location suspect last seen

6. Suspect #1 description:

- | | |
|-----------|-----------|
| a. Sex | e. Weight |
| b. Race | f. Hair |
| c. Age | g. Eyes |
| d. Height | h. Dress |

7. Suspect #2 description

8. Weapon used

9. What obtained

Note: If the broadcast is of an emergency nature, request a priority clearance (10-33).

Stolen Vehicle Broadcast

A broadcast of a stolen vehicle may be made only if two conditions are met:

1. The broadcasting Deputy has a signed stolen
2. Vehicle was taken within the last hour

When making a stolen vehicle broadcast request a clearance (10-34) for a 503, then give the following information:

1. Type of crime
2. Time of occurrence
3. Location of crime
4. Vehicle description and license number
5. Location suspect last seen
6. Suspect description

Helicopter

When requesting a helicopter request clearance (10-34) and advise who the handling unit is, the location and the reason for request.

When a helicopter is assisting on an emergency call, advise him of the following information prior to your regular broadcast:

1. Type of crime and location
2. Time elapsed since occurrence
 - a. If vehicle was used:
 1. Type of vehicle
 2. Color
 3. Direction taken
 - b. If no vehicle was used:
 1. Sex and age of suspect(s)
 2. Clothing color
 3. Direction taken

Critical Missing Persons Broadcast

When boys seven years of age or younger or girls eleven years of age or younger are reported missing or there is an indication of foul play on **any** juvenile, such juvenile shall be regarded as a critical missing.

A broadcast will also be made on a missing adult if any of the following conditions exist: (1) when the missing adult is suffering from severe mental or physical handicaps, (2) when the missing adult is suffering from advanced senility, or (3) there is evidence of suspicious circumstances.

Request clearance (10-34) for a 920 or 920-C and give the following information:

1. Location missing from
2. How long missing
3. Name
4. Sex
5. Age
6. Height
7. Weight
8. Hair
9. Eyes
10. Clothing worn
11. Distinguishing features
12. Possible destination

Newsworthy Incidents

Request clearance for Code 20 and give the following information:

1. Type of incident
2. Location
3. Quantity and type of emergency equipment required at scene

Sigalerts

A sigalert may be initiated whenever it is apparent that a large number of people could be affected by a hazardous or potentially hazardous condition or traffic situation. The deputy having knowledge of the situation shall notify his station Watch Sergeant via radio.

Request for Fire Equipment

When requesting fire equipment, advise type of emergency and/or severity of fire, e.g., 904-S residence, totally involved, 904-A two vehicles, gasoline tanks ruptured, etc. On rescue requests advise nature of injuries.

Requests for Assistance or Backup

Give number of units needed, location, and **NATURE OF INCIDENT**. Be sure CSO has the information before leaving radio. IF YOU CANNOT THINK OF THE PROPER CODE, SPEAK IN ENGLISH, AND THE MESSAGE WILL BE RELAYED.

Routine (non-emergent) requests for "**backup**" will be broadcast as soon as possible. The CSO will acknowledge the unit(s) responding and notify station desk via hot line. Unless unusual circumstances occur, no further action is required.

The CSO may release the frequency unless the field unit specifically requests that it not be released.

If such a request is made, the field deputy is required to give a Code 4 as soon as possible. When the Code 4 is received the frequency can be released. If a reasonable amount of time has elapsed without a Code 4, the CSO will attempt to determine conditions.

Emergency Assistance — emergency requests for "**assistance**" will be broadcast immediately. The CSO will use a controlled response. If the requested number of units to assist is not obtained, the CSO shall make a second transmission extending the response time. The CSO will also immediately notify the station desk by hot line.

The station desk will maintain command and control by assigning responding units and, if

warranted, advise which Sheriff's stations should be notified. This will be accomplished via the hot line.

AVS and SCT will notify CHP directly if they desire assistance from that organization. The Sheriff's Radio Center (SRC) should be advised by hot line if this decision is made.

Pursuits

Request emergency clearance (10-33) for pursuit and then give the following information:

1. Unit number (i.e., "24 is in pursuit . . .")
2. Location and direction of travel
3. Vehicle description
4. Vehicle speed
5. Reason for pursuit

Duplex Patch — the field deputies will transmit their own pursuits via the duplex patch. The CSO will drop the duplex patch if conditions deteriorate due to improper usage or poor communications.

CSO Responsibility — the CSO will rebroadcast all radio transmissions. The CSO will solicit all pertinent information not provided by the field deputy during the pursuit.

DATA INQUIRIES

Wanted Persons System (WPS)

Subjects are run simultaneously in the Automated Wants and Warrants System (AWWS), the California Department of Justice (DOJ), and the National Crime Information Center (NCIC).

Request a clearance (10-38) and advise the CSO of your location and number of subjects, and stand by for clearance, then use the following format:

UNIT	DRIVER'S LICENSE NO.		STATE			
NAME	last	first	middle			
ADDRESS (first three numbers)						
Sex	Race	Hair	Eyes	Ht.	Wt.	D.O.B.

SECONDARY ADDRESS(S) and/or A.K.A.'s

Automated Firearm System (AFS)

Contains records on stolen, lost, pawned firearms, firearm ownership, evidence, and licenses to carry a concealed weapon.

Request clearance (10-34) for a weapon check and give the following information:

1. Firearm serial number
2. Make
3. Caliber
4. Type (Pistol, Rifle, etc.)

Automated Property System (APS)

Contains records on stolen, lost, pawned, evidence, found and other property of interest to law enforcement.

Request clearance (10-34) for a property check and give the following information:

1. Type of article
2. Brand name
3. Model
4. Serial number

Stolen Bicycle System (SBS)

Contains records on stolen, lost, evidence and pawned bicycles.

Request clearance (10-34) for a bicycle check and give the following information:

1. Type (girls, boys, or undefined)
2. Speed
3. Brand
4. Serial number
5. Model

Bicycle registration information is available through the Bicycle Desk in Records Bureau 0730 and 2330 hours, Monday through Friday, only on bicycles registered with the City of Los Angeles or County of Los Angeles bicycle license. SRC will obtain the information for field units.

Request clearance (10-34) for a bicycle registration check and give the following information:

1. Serial number, or
2. Bicycle license number with (a) type of license (City or County) and (b) date of expiration.

Boat Inquiries

Boat registration and NCIC stolen information is available on boats registered in California only. The registration information is available from the DMV.

Request clearance (10-34) for a boat check and give the following information:

1. California registration (CF) number

Stolen information on boats registered outside of California is available through NCIC.

Request clearance (10-34) for a boat check and give the following information:

1. Registration number and state
2. Hull number

Aircraft Inquiries

Stolen information on aircraft is available in the SVS. Registration information may be obtained from Aero Bureau.

Stolen Vehicle System (SVS)

Contains records on stolen vehicles, felony vehicles, stolen or lost plates, stolen vehicle parts, repossessed vehicles, stored vehicles, implements of husbandry, special equipment, and vehicles associated with missing persons.

State 10-29 and give the appropriate information:

1. License plate number

For 10-29 on anything other than a license plate, request clearance (10-34) and give the appropriate information:

1. Vehicle identification number (VIN)
2. Vehicle engine number
3. Vehicle part number, or
4. Tab number

DMV Vehicle Registration File (AMIS)

Contains registration records on all vehicles in California.

State 10-28 and give the appropriate information:

1. License plate number

For 10-28 on a VIN number, request clearance (10-34) and give the appropriate information:

1. Vehicle identification number (VIN)

Criminal History System (CHS)

Contains records about people with arrest and disposition information. CHS information can be obtained only through Station and Hall of Justice terminals. The SRC computer "is not" programmed to access this system.

Automated Name Index (ANI)

Contains name, address, birthdate, driver's license number and vehicles registered to individuals. A search of the file is conducted on soundex for the last name which can result in numerous sound-alike

hits. Whenever possible, give a city or residence. The first name must be spelled correctly. In the case of variation (e.g., John, Jon, Jean) all must be tried.

Request clearance (10-34) for ANI and give the following information:

1. Complete name
2. Birthdate or age
3. City of residence (if possible)

DMV Driver's License File (AMIS)

Contains driving records on all persons licensed in California. You can request one or a combination of the following: driving record, failure to appear record, license status, address, physical description, accident records, etc.

Request clearance (10-34) and give the following information:

1. California driver's license number, and/or complete name
2. Birthdate or age
3. City of residence (if possible)

AUTOMATED DMV RESPONSE STATES

The following states can provide automated DMV information to users of CLETS.

Alabama	Kansas	New York
*Alaska	Kentucky	Ohio
*Arizona	Maine	Oregon
Arkansas	Maryland	Pennsylvania
Colorado	Minnesota	South Carolina
Connecticut	Mississippi	South Dakota
Dist. of Columbia	Missouri	Tennessee
Florida	Montana	Texas
*Georgia	Nebraska	Vermont
Iowa	North Carolina	Virginia
**Idaho	North Dakota	Wisconsin
Illinois	New Jersey	West Virginia
Indiana	New Mexico	Wyoming

*Vehicle Registration Only

**Driver's License Only

Request clearance (10-34) for out-of-state vehicle information and give the following information:

1. Vehicle license number and year of registration and state, or
2. Operator's license number and state

SYSTEM CAPABILITIES

Broadcast Groups

Enables the field deputy to broadcast over the duplex patch to pre-assigned sets of **Sheriff's** frequencies radio messages throughout the County or to select areas in the County.

Request clearance (10-34) and advise the CSO which of the following or combination you want:

1. County-wide
2. Central
3. West
4. East
5. South

County-wide Broadcast

All Sheriff's stations plus Frequencies A & D

East Broadcast Group

Industry	Freq. 11
San Dimas	Freq. 11
Lakewood	Freq. 12
Norwalk	Freq. 13
Pico Rivera	Freq. 13
East Los Angeles	Freq. 14
Altadena	Freq. 15
Crescenta Valley	Freq. 15
Temple	Freq. 15
Administrative	Freq. A
Detective	Freq. D

Central Broadcast Group

Industry	Freq. 11
San Dimas	Freq. 11
Norwalk	Freq. 13
Pico Rivera	Freq. 13
East Los Angeles	Freq. 14
Altadena	Freq. 15
Crescenta Valley	Freq. 15
Temple	Freq. 15
Firestone	Freq. 22
Lynwood	Freq. 22
Administrative	Freq. A
Detective	Freq. D

West Broadcast Group

Carson
Lomita
Firestone
Lynwood
Lennox
West Hollywood
Malibu
Santa Clarita
Antelope Valley
Administrative
Detective

Freq. 21
Freq. 21
Freq. 22
Freq. 22
Freq. 23
Freq. 23
Freq. 24
Freq. 25
Freq. 25
Freq. A
Freq. D

South Broadcast Group

Lakewood
Norwalk
Pico Rivera
Carson
Lomita
Firestone
Lynwood
Lennox
West Hollywood
Administrative
Detective

Freq. 12
Freq. 13
Freq. 13
Freq. 21
Freq. 21
Freq. 22
Freq. 22
Freq. 23
Freq. 23
Freq. A
Freq. D

Secode Groups

Enables the field Deputy to broadcast over the duplex patch to pre-assigned sets of **police** agencies. The police agencies receive the radio messages and re-transmit them over their simplex frequencies to their field units.

Request clearance (10-34) and advise the CSO that you want your broadcast to go to your secode group and/or identify the particular agency you want to receive it.

San Dimas, Industry

Freq. 11

Covina
West Covina
Pomona
Azusa*
— Claremont
— LaVerne
— Glendora

El Monte*
— Baldwin Park
— Irwindale
Montebello*
— Whittier

Lakewood

Freq. 12

Long Beach
Downey
Orange County
Compton
South Gate

Norwalk, Pico Rivera

Freq. 13

Downey
Montebello*
— Whittier
Orange County

East Los Angeles

Freq. 14

Bell Gardens
Maywood
Vernon
Montebello*
— Whittier
Alhambra*
— Monterey Park
Huntington Park*
— Bell

**Temple, Crescenta Valley
& Altadena**

Freq. 15

Pasadena
South Pasadena
San Marino
Burbank
Glendale
San Fernando
San Gabriel
Alhambra*
— Monterey Park
Montebello*
— Whittier
El Monte*
— Baldwin Park
— Irwindale
Monrovia*
— Arcadia
— Sierra Madre

Carson, Lomita

Freq. 21

Long Beach
Orange County
Torrance*
— Gardena

Firestone, Lynwood

Freq. 22

Maywood
Vernon
Compton*
— Signal Hill
Huntington Park

— Bell
South Gate

Lennox, West Hollywood Freq. 23

Culver City
Inglewood
Beverly Hills
Redondo Beach*
— El Segundo
— Hawthorne
— Manhattan Beach
— Hermosa Beach
— Palos Verdes

Malibu Freq. 24

Santa Monica

**Antelope Valley,
Santa Clarita Valley** Freq. 25

No secode for Freq. 25 at this time.

NOTE — *Shares common frequency with Department(s) immediately below.

Duplex Patch

Enables a mobile unit to transmit to other units by connecting the incoming mobile unit signal to the associated outgoing base station transmitter.

Tactical Patch

Enables the CSO to set up a radio patch between Tactical West and Tactical East Simplex frequencies so that mobiles on these two frequencies can communicate with each other.

Telephone Patch

Enables the CSO to set up a patch between an incoming telephone line and a selected radio frequency so that the calling party can talk to a mobile unit. Use a simplex frequency for this function. When each party has completed their message, state "over," so that the CSO can operate the radio talk bar.

CLERS —

California Law Enforcement Radio System

CLERS is a statewide emergency communications system which enables radio communication between most Sheriff's, Highway Patrol and police agencies throughout the state as well as the Department of Motor Vehicles on a 24-hour basis.