# VX-820 SERIES

## **VHF/UHF Portable Radios**



Power Output: 5 W

■ Wide Band

VHF: 134 - 174 MHz

UHF: 400 - 470 MHz and 450 - 520 MHz

**VX-829 / 824 with LCD:** 

Maximum 512 Channels / 32 Groups

VX-821 w/o LCD:

Maximum 16 Channels / 1 group

■ Large LCD (Dot Matrix / 12 Characters + 7 Segments / 3 Characters) VX-829 / 824

Wide / Narrow (12.5 / 20 / 25 kHz), programmable per channel

CTCSS / DCS Encode / Decode

■ DTMF ANI / DTMF Paging (Requires FVP-25 for DTMF paging)

■ Built-in 5-Tone signaling

■ 2-Tone Encode and Multiple-2 Tone Decode

**■** User Selectable Tone

■ Submersible External Microphone MH-66 Series (optional)

Scan: Channel Scan, Priority Scan, Dual Watch, Follow-me Scan, Follow-me/DW and TA Scan

Compander (Wide and Narrow Band)

Loud 700 mW Audio Output

■ AF Minimum Volume

7-Color LED: Flash pattern and color can be set as 2-Tone or 5-Tone Incoming Call Alert or for Emergency Mode use

Lone Worker

RX / TX Battery Save

Programmable Home Channel function

■ Direct Channel Recall (#1-#4)

Programmable Function Keys

BCLO / BTLO and TOT

Remote Radio Stun / Kill / Revive (5-Tone)

Speed Dial (16-key version only)

■ ARTS<sup>™</sup> (Auto-Range Transpond System)

Encryption (Optional FVP-25/36 or FVP-35 required)

■ Voice Storage (Optional DVS-5 required)

ANI Encoder (MDC-1200®, GE-Star® and DTMF: Optional VME-100 required)

■ ANI Encoder/Decoder (MDC-1200®, GE-Star® and DTMF (Encode): Optional VMDE-200 required)

■ PC Programmable

MIL-STD 810C/D/E/F

Intrinsically Safe Version Available (Pending)







## VX-820





#### SERIES

Today's demanding public safety communications environment demands reliability, ruggedness, and versatility like never before. The VX-820 series of Vertex Standard portables answers the call with a wide array of signaling capability, along with big audio, operator and system security measures, and PC programmability for quick deployment. And these portables are submersible to IP57 specifications, your assurance of long-term reliability under the most difficult operating circumstances.



#### VERSATILITY

## VX-829 / 824 with LCD: Maximum 512 Channels / 32 Groups VX-821 w/o LCD:Maximum 16 Channels / 1 Group

The LCD-equipped version provides massive channel storage capability: up to 512 channels may be programmed into as many as 32 groups. A single radio may therefore be programmed with channel sets for a number of different jurisdictions or organizations, ensuring seamless interoperability. The VX-820 Series without the LCD can accommodate up to 16 channels in a single memory group.

#### CTCSS / DCS Encode / Decode

High-performance Encoder/Decoder circuits for both CTCSS and Digital Code Squelch are provided, for access to tone/code controlled systems. DCS is ideal for crowded RF environments, providing superior immunity from false opening of the squelch.

**DTMF ANI/DTMF Paging (optional FVP-25 required for DTMF Paging)**Fleet and network operation are enhanced by the built-in DTMF ANI circuit.

#### 2-Tone Encode and Multiple 2-Tone Decode

The VX-820 Series can transmit a 2-Tone paging call, and can receive 2-Tone calls using different tone combinations.

#### **User Selectable Tone**

One of the front panel's "programmable" keys may be designated so as to allow the user to select a CTCSS or DCS tone from a pre-defined Tone Table

## Scan: Channel Scan, Priority Scan, Dual Watch, Follow-me Scan, Follow-me Dual Watch, and TA Scan

The VX-820 Series provides unmatched flexibility in its scanning features. Designed to optimize operation in a wide variety of system environments, these scanning capabilities ensure that you never miss an important call!

#### Compander (Wide and Narrow Band)

For operation in systems requiring Companding, the VX-820 Series portables include both Wide- and Narrow-band Companding circuitry, programmable channel by channel.





ACTUAL SIZE VX-829

Vertex Standard

#### **Lone Worker**

The Lone Worker feature is designed to emit an alarm for 30 seconds when the Lone Worker Timer (programmed by the dealer) has expired. If the user does not reset the timer by pressing the PTT switch, the radio switches to the Emergency mode.

#### **RX/TX Battery Saver**

When engaged, the Receive-mode Battery Saver rapidly pulses the portable on and off, reducing current consumption and extending battery life. If a call is received, the Battery Saver is disengaged, and normal operation resumes. On transmit, the Battery Saver will reduce transmitter power, thus extending operating time, when you are within close range of a strong repeater or dispatch center.

#### **Programmable Function Keys**

Customization of feature access is easily accomplished at the time of programming, thanks to the "programmable" keys that may be assigned functions needed most in your operating environment.

#### **PC Programmable**

All channel and other configuration data may be uploaded to the portable by the dealer in a matter of minutes, allowing efficient setup of a fleet of radios when rapid deployment is required.

## ANI Encoding and Decoding (MDC-1200®, GE-Star®, and DTMF (Encode): optional VME-100 or VMDE-200 required)

Automatic Number Identification, triggered by the pressing of the PTT key, is available in the most popular industry-standard formats, via the optional VME-100 (for Encoding only) or VMDE-200 (for Encoding and Decoding) module.

#### **HIGH PERFORMANCE**

#### **Power Output: 5 W**

The VX-820 Series provides up to five solid Watts of transmitter power, for extended communications range. For more localized applications, the power output may be reduced to 2.5 Watts, 1 Watt, or 1/4 Watt, for enhanced battery life.

#### Wide / Narrow (12.5 / 20 / 25 kHz programmable per channel)

When programming radios for use in different jurisdictions, the VX-820 Series portables may be set up, channel by channel, for use in 12.5 kHz, 20 kHz, or 25 kHz channel spacing environments. Deviation and bandwidth are automatically set according to the configuration you choose.

#### **Built-in 5-Tone signaling**

For advanced network or fleet operations, a 5-Tone Encoder-Decoder circuit is included in the VX-820 Series. An expensive option on many competing brands, this included feature enhances operation without impacting your budget.

#### **Loud 700 mW Audio Output**

Ideal for reception in noisy environments, high-powered audio of the VX-820 Series is coupled to a large internal speaker, assuring solid copy throughout difficult crowd control, fire, or sporting-event operations.

#### Speed Dial (16-key version only)

An easy-to-use DTMF Speed Dialer feature is included in the VX-829, for specialized selective calling, telephone interconnect, or other applications.

#### **Voice Storage (Optional DVS-5 required)**

The optional DVS-5 Digital Voice Storage Unit allows you to store and play back up to 120 seconds of incoming received audio, so you can archive an important incoming message.

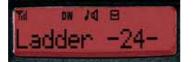
#### EASY USER INTERFACE

#### Large LCD

#### (Dot Matrix / 12 Characters +7 Segments / 3 Characters) (VX-829/824)

The large, easy-to-read display includes a 12-character dot matrix that provides a wealth of information about the operating channel, as well as various status icons. Illuminated using

Vertex Standard's renowned Omni-Glow™ back-lighting, the VX-829/824's LCD is clearly visible at night, with minimal degradation of your night vision.



#### 7-Color LED for Incoming Call Alert

The front panel of the VX-820 Series includes an ultra-bright LED that can display up to seven different colors, with a variable flash pattern, to alert the operator when a 2-Tone or 5-Tone call has come in, and during Emergency mode operation.



#### **Programmable Home Channel Function**

The user may select, out of the dealer-programmed channel list, one channel to be the "Home" channel, which may be assigned to a "programmable" key for one-touch access to a critically-important channel.

#### Direct Channel Recall (#1 - #4)

Any or all of the programmable keys may be assigned as directaccess one-touch keys for selecting important operating channels.

#### ARTS™ (Auto-Range Transpond System)

The ARTS™ feature is a "handshake" system that uses DCS coding to confirm that two ARTS™-equipped units are within communication range. If an "out of range" condition develops, an alarm will sound and the communications center can instruct the field unit to move to a better location (or assistance to the field unit can be dispatched).

#### SECURITY

#### **BCLO / BTLO and TOT**

To prevent interference to other users on busy channels, the Busy Channel Lock-Out (BCLO) and Busy Tone Lock-Out (BTLO) features prevent transmission by the portable if the channel is occupied. And the Time-Out Timer (TOT) feature will automatically cut of transmission if the programmed maximum transmit time is exceeded.

#### Remote Radio Stun / Kill / Revive (5-Tone)

To prevent use of the portable by an unauthorized operator (in case of theft, non-payment of subscription, etc.), a dispatch center can send a 5-Tone command to "Stun" (temporary disabling) or "Kill" (permanent disabling) a unit. If the "Stun" command has been sent, another 5-Tone "Revive" command may also be sent, re-enabling operation of the portable.

#### Encryption (Optional FVP-35/36 or FVP-25 required)

The FVP-35 and FVP-36 Encryption Units provide security for your important public safety and security communications. A DTMF Paging function is also included in the FVP-25 module, for selective calling.

### **DURABLE CONSTRUCTION**

#### Rugged, Submersible Design

The VX-820 Series portables are housed in an ultra-rugged, impact-resistant case that is designed to exceed U.S. MIL-STD

810C/D/E/F standards for shock, vibration, and driving rain; it also meets international waterproofing standard IP55 (water jets) and IP57 (submersion in water to a depth of 1 m for up to 30 minutes).



Submersible External Speaker/Microphone MH-66 Series (optional) When operating in an emergency situation where immersion of the radio and/or its accessories could occur, the optional MH-66 Series Speaker/Microphone is rated to the same submersibility specifications as the portable itself (IP57), ensuring that your essential communications won't be interrupted if the microphone gets dropped into the water.

#### Other Features

•AF Minimum Volume •Radio-to-Radio Cloning •Signal Strength Meter •Battery Indicator •Audio Pitch Control

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#### Specifications

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	VHF	UHF	
General Specifications	S		
Frequency Range	134-174 MHz	450-520 MHz	
		400-470 MHz	
Number of Channels	512 (VX-829 / 824) / 16 (VX-821)		
Number of Groups	32 (VX-829 / 824) / 1 (VX-821)		
Channel Spacing	12.5 / 20 / 25 kHz		
PLL Steps	5 / 6.25 kHz		
Power Supply Voltage	7.4 VDC ±20 %		
Current Consumption			
STBY (w/save)	75 (30) mA	75 (30) mA	
RX	200 mA	200 mA	
TX	1.7A	1.9A	
Battery Life (w/Battery save)	12.5 h (16 h) w/ FNB-V87LI	11.5 h (15 h) w/ FNB-V87LI	
(RX 5 : TX 5 : STBY 90 Duty)			
Ambient Temperature Range	−30° C to +60° C		
Frequency Stability	±2.5 ppm		
Dimensions (W x H x D)	57.5 x 96.5 x 37.5 mm		
Weight (approx)	310 g w/Ant, Battery (FNB-V86LI) and Belt clip		

	VHF	UHF			
Receiver Specifications					
Sensitivity (12 dB SINAD) EIA	0.25 / 0.32 uV				
Adjacent Channel Selectivity	75 / 70 dB				
Intermodulation	75 / 70 dB				
Spurious and Image Rejection	75 dB				
Hum and Noise	48 / 42 dB				
Audio Output	700 mW @16 Ohms, 5 % THD				

Transmitter Specifications				
Power Output	5 / 2.5 / 1 / 0.25 W			
Modulation	16K0F3E			
	11K0F3E			
Spurious Emissions	70 dB			
FM Hum & Noise	45 / 40 dB			
Audio Distortion (@1 kHz)	Less than 3 %			

Measurements per EIA standards unless noted above. Specifications subject to change without notice or obligation.

#### Applicable MIL-STD

Standard	MIL 810C Methods/Procedures	MIL 810D Methods/Procedures	MIL 810E Methods/Procedures	MIL 810F Methods/Procedures
Low Pressure High Temperature Low Temperature Temperature Shock Solar Radiation Rain Humidity Salt Fog Dust Vibration Shock	500.1/Procedure I 501.1/Procedure I, II 502.1/Procedure I 503.1/Procedure I 505.1/Procedure I 506.1/Procedure I, II 507.1/Procedure I, II 509.1/Procedure I 510.1/Procedure I 514.2/Procedure I, II, X 516.2/Procedure I, II, V	500.2/Procedure I, II 501.2/Procedure I, II 502.2/Procedure I 503.2/Procedure I 505.2/Procedure I 506.2/Procedure I, III 507.2/Procedure I 510.2/Procedure I 514.3/Procedure I Cat. 24 516.3/Procedure I, IV	500.3/Procedure I, II 501.3/Procedure I, II 502.3/Procedure I, II 503.2/Procedure I 505.3/Procedure I, II 506.3/Procedure I, III 507.3/Procedure I, III 509.2-3/Procedure I 510.3/Procedure I 514.4/Procedure I Cat. 24 516.4/Procedure I, IV	500.4/Procedure I, II 501.4/Procedure I, II 502.4-3/Procedure I, II 503.4/Procedure I, II 505.4/Procedure I, II 506.4/Procedure I, II 507.4/Procedure I 509.4/Procedure I, III 510.4/Procedure I, III 514.5/Procedure I Cat. 24 516.5/Procedure I, IV

#### Applicable International Protection Standard





#### Intrinsically Safe Information (Pending)

The VX-820 series, equipped with any of optional units, meets the requirements of ANSI/UL913 6th Edition for Class I, Division 1, Groups A-D; Class II, Groups E-G; and Class III for hazardous locations.







ISO14001:1996 certification

#### **Accessories & Options**



VH-121

Encryption Unit (Rolling Code Voice Scrambler)



VME-100 ANI Encoder Unit

VAC-6920B/C\* 6-Unit Multi Charger



FNB-V86LI 7.4 V 1150 mAh Li-Ion Light-Duty Battery









VMDE-200





FBA-34 Alkaline Battery Case (6XAA)











FNB-V92LI/IS 7.4 V 3000 mAh Li-Ion Battery IS : Intrinsically Safe Version Desktop Rapid Charge

B for 120 VAC / C for 230 VAC

Various accessories listed may not be available in some countri

MH-65B7A MDC1200

Submersible External Microphone Digital ANI Encode Unit USB Programming Interface

CT-108 CT-109 CT-115 PC Programming Cable (for FIF-10/A) PC Programming Kit (CT-29 + CT-115) PC Programming Cable (for VPL-1)

CT-116 LCC-820 CF59

Radio to Radio Cloning Cable Leather Case Programming Software



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