

A brief history and time line of frequency coordination:

1946

The Federal Communications Commission gathered together representatives of more than twenty user groups. These included Forest Products, Manufacturing, Power, Petroleum, Film & Video Production, Relay Press, Special Industrial, Business, Telephone Maintenance, Land Transportation, Motor Carrier, Railroad, Taxicab, Police, Fire, Highway Maintenance, Forestry Conservation and Automobile Emergency. The effort was intended to find a way to manage the use of frequencies by two-way radio users.

1982

Congress empowered the FCC to certify frequency coordinators to assist in managing Private Land Mobile Radio (PLMR). This formalized the efforts started by the very same user groups and the Commission more than 36 years ago.

1997

Commission adopted the Second Report and Order which did away with 20 discrete radio services and replaced them with two frequency pools: the Public Safety Pool and the Industrial/Business Pool.

Today

Two FCC Certified Frequency Coordination Pools

Public Safety: APCO, IMSA, FCCA, AASHTO

Business: AAA, AAR, EWA, FIT, MRFAC, TMA, WIA, UTC

Note: All of the above referenced certified coordination agencies are non-profit member based associations representing thousands of two-way radio users.

Contact Information By Agency:

Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials, Inc. (APCO)

351 N. Williamson Blvd
Daytona Beach, FL 32114-1112
phone: 888-272-6911
fax: 386-322-2502
email: afc@apointl.org
For frequencies designated with:
PF = Fire, PM = Emergency Medical, PX = Any Public Safety

International Municipal Signal Association (IMSA)

424 E. Middle Street
Rear Unit
Gettysburg, PA 17325
phone: 717-398-0822
phone: 855-803-1465
fax: 717-778-4237
email: michelle.fink@frequencycoordination.org
For frequencies designated with:
*PO = Forestry-Conservation, PX = Any Public Safety, except the
Special Emergency*

Forestry Conservation Communications Association (FCCA)

424 E. Middle Street
Rear Unit
Gettysburg, PA 17325
phone: 717-398-0815
phone: 855-803-1465
fax: 717-778-4237
email: michelle.fink@frequencycoordination.org
For frequencies designated with:
*PH = Highway Maintenance, PX = Any Public Safety, except the
Special Emergency*

American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)

c/o RadioSoft
194 Professional Park Drive
Clarkesville, GA 30523
phone: 888-601-3676
fax: 706-754-2745
email: angela@radiosoft.com, kathi@radiosoft.com
For frequencies designated with:
PS = Special Emergency, PX = Any Public Safety

Enterprise Wireless Alliance (EWA)

2121 Cooperative Way, Suite 225

Herndon, VA 20171

phone: 703-528-5115

phone: 800-482-8282

fax: 703-524-1074

email: customerservice@enterprisewireless.org

For frequencies designated with:

IB = Industrial Business, IP = Petroleum, PS = Special Emergency

Forest Industries Telecommunications (FIT)

1565 Oak Street

Eugene, Oregon 97401

phone: 541-485-8441

fax: 541-485-7556

email: license@landmobile.com

For frequencies designated with:

IB = Industrial Business, PS = Special Emergency

Manufacturers Radio Frequency Advisory Committee, Inc. (MRFAC)

c/o Radiosoft

194 Professional Park Drive

Clarkesville, GA 30523

phone: 800-262-9206

email: coord@mrfac.com

For frequencies designated with:

IB = Industrial Business, PS = Special Emergency

WIA - The Wireless Infrastructure Association

2111 Wilson Blvd., Suite 210

Arlington, VA 22201

phone: 703-535-7502

fax: 703-836-1608

email: don.andrew@wia.org

For frequencies designated with:

IB = Industrial Business, PS = Special Emergency

Utilities Telecom Council

1129 20th Street NW

Suite 350

Washington, DC 20036

phone: 202-872-0030

fax: 202-872-1331

email: spectrumservices@utc.org

For frequencies designated with:

IB = Industrial Business, IW = Utility, PS = Special Emergency