

# Wouxun KG-UVD1P Wouxun KG-UV2D Wouxun KG-UV3D VHF/UHF Handheld FM Transceivers <u>User's Manual</u>



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# 1 Preface

The Wouxun KG-UVD1P, KG-UV2D and KG-UV3D VHF/UHF FM handheld transceivers are quality, modern technology radios. Unfortunately, the user manuals provided by Wouxun are not well organized and poorly translated. This revised manual addresses that shortcoming.

This guide is designed to teach you how to *manually* program the radio. It will not duplicate some sections of the Wouxun manual (i.e. safety, description of functions, shortcut sheet, SOS function, wire cloning, charging, programming guide, troubleshooting, CTCSS-DCS charts, specifications, accessories, certifications).

All keypad entry sequences in this manual are designated with Courier font typeface and a relevant coloured background, e.g.: MENU TDR 1 4. The rotary encoder knob is designated: ROTARY.

This revised user's manual applies to the UVD1P, UV2D and UV3D radios – they share common specifications, functions and keys. The only known differences between these three radios are that the 2D and 3D models have upgraded exterior cases and upgraded firmware. The updated firmware might enable the user to have spaces in channel names and a longer welcome message, but this may be related to the actual programming software used.

Programming via software is only briefly discussed in Section 10. Most software issues relate to not setting the proper port (or device name for Mac/Linux users). Care also needs to be taken if you wish to "unlock" the radio – this is done at your own risk.

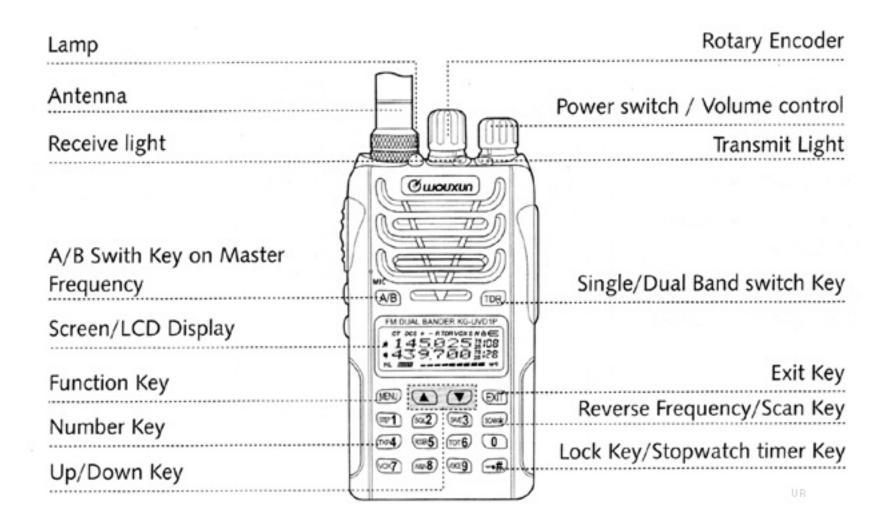
Two diagrams and the logo from the Wouxun UVD1P manual have been incorporated in this document. Acknowledgements to Quanzhou Wouxun Electronics Co. Ltd. in advance for their use.

PS: the correct English language pronunciation of "Wouxun" sounds like "whoa-sheng".

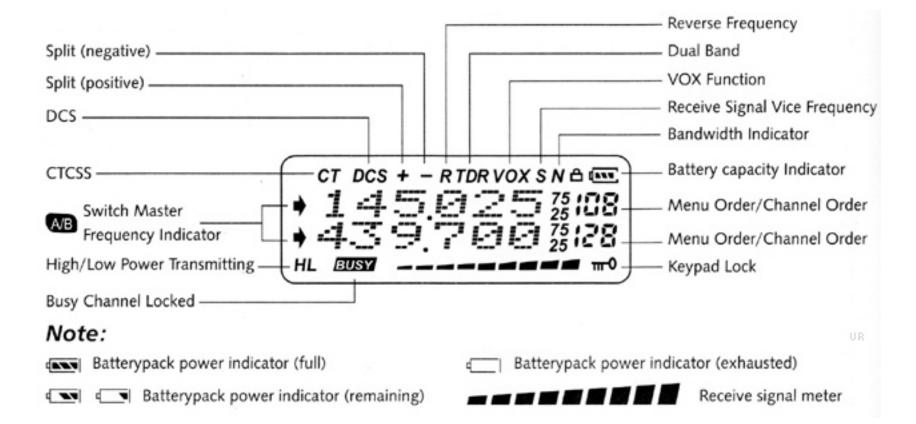
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## 2 Front Panel Diagram



## 3 LCD Display Diagram



# 4 Quick-Start Guide

The key concept to understand the Wouxun KG 1-2-3 series radios is "mode". These radios have five modes:

- VFO (Frequency) Mode
- Channel Mode (which has 3 sub-modes)
- Menu Mode
- FM Radio Mode (see Section 8.1.1)
- Dealer Mode (see Section 4.5)

The mode determines what is shown on the LCD display and how the radio behaves. The two most important modes, VFO and Channel Mode, can also be toggled to display either dual or single frequencies. Note that "Frequency" and "Channel" modes as used by Wouxun are the equivalent of "VFO" and "Memory" modes as used by Japanese radio manufacturers.

It is essential to know how to switch between these modes.

### 4.1 Switching Between Modes

Turning the POWER SWITCH/VOLUME CONTROL knob clockwise for the first time the radio should be in dual frequency VFO Mode. After a 3 second system initialization you will see a 146 MHz (2M) frequency displayed above a 440MHz (70CM) frequency.

If not in VFO Mode the radio will be in Channel Mode. This is obvious by the fact that channel numbers will be seen at the far right of the LCD display.

To toggle between VFO and Channel Modes:



To toggle between single and dual frequency display in either VFO or Channel Mode: TDR (if dual frequency is selected then **TDR** appears at top centre of LCD display) (if single frequency is selected then **UVxx** replaces the secondary frequency/channel)

To select the master frequency when in dual frequency display in either VFO or Channel Mode: A/B (master frequency is indicated by an ► arrow at left side of LCD display)

To enter Menu Mode:	ENU	
To exit Menu Mode:	XIT (or wait 5 seconds)	
To toggle FM Radio Mode on	ff: Side Key 1 (the button immediately below the PTT button. See Section 8.1.1.)	
To enter Dealer Mode:	see Section 4.5 below.	

#### 4.2 Menu Mode

There are 30 menu items, some with numerous choices (parameters). However, for manual repeater programming you need learn only four menu items (# 16, 23, 24 and 27). Most other menu items are "set and forget" options.

When in Menu Mode the LCD display contains two lines of information – the upper line is the name of the Menu Item (with a flashing menu number at right) while the lower line is the current or default menu parameter.

To enter Menu Mode:	MENU (you will see the menu name, e.g. STEP, followed by a flashing menu number, e.g. 01)
To select a Menu item:	either: 1) press keypad menu number, e.g. 2 1 or, 2) ROTARY to desired menu item
	or, 3) press $\blacktriangle$ or $\checkmark$ keypad buttons to select desired menu item.
To enter Menu parameter:	MENU (the parameter is on the lower line of the LCD menu display. Note the <b>&gt;</b> arrow.)
To select Menu parameter:	either ROTARY to desired menu parameter or press $\blacktriangle$ or $\checkmark$ keypad buttons to
	select.
To save chosen Menu parameter:	MENU
To exit Menu Mode:	EXIT (or wait 5 seconds)

Remember that to successfully change a Menu parameter requires three MENU button presses: 1) to enter Menu Mode, 2) to move cursor  $\blacktriangleright$  to menu parameter on lower LCD display line and, 3) to save selected parameter.

#### 4.3 Programming a Repeater Frequency

The user will at least need to know how to manually program a new repeater frequency in the event that a computer and programming software are unavailable. It is suggested you work through the steps below at least twice, once as shown and a second time with your local repeater details. For example, to program a VHF repeater having a receive frequency of 146.840MHz, a typical transmit offset of -600KHz, a CTCSS transmit access sub-audible tone of 103.5Hz, saved to memory channel #25, name that channel "VE7RPT" and then finally delete that channel:

Toggle to VFO Mode: Ensure frequency step is appropriate:	MENU TDR (there should be no channel numbers at right side of LCD display) MENU 1 MENU A or ROTARY (until correct step is selected), MENU EXIT
Enter receive frequency on keypad:	1 4 6 8 4 0
Select CTCSS transmit tone:	MENU 1 6 MENU 🔺 or ROTARY (until 103.5 selected), MENU EXIT
Select offset:	MENU 2 3 MENU $\blacktriangle$ or ROTARY (until 00.600 selected, or enter the offset from the
	keypad), MENU EXIT
Select offset direction:	MENU 2 4 MENU 🔺 or ROTARY (until - selected), MENU EXIT
Save to memory:	MENU 2 7 MENU 🔺 or ROTARY (until 025 selected), MENU EXIT
Switch to Channel Mode:	MENU TDR
Select Channel 25:	ROTARY until CH-025 is selected
Name the memory:	MENU 2 6 MENU V E 7 R P T (using ROTARY and $\checkmark$ for digits and $\blacktriangle$ for
	characters), MENU EXIT
	(ROTARY clockwise moves to next position, counter-clockwise selects characters)
Select Channel Name Channel Mode:	MENU 2 1 MENU (until NAME selected), MENU EXIT

The repeater channel and its name are now successfully stored. You would need to be in Channel Mode to use it. To delete it now:

Delete channel:

MENU 2 8 MENU ▲ or ROTARY (until CH-025 selected), MENU EXIT

### 4.4 Channel Mode Operations

In Channel Mode you cannot manually use the Menu to set frequency step, transmit power, CTCSS, DCS, bandwidth, offset frequency, or shift direction. The reason for this is to protect saved channel specific information. You cannot also overwrite a previously stored channel, you must first of all delete it, then re-create it. The only way to overwrite channel information is with software or by using Dealer Mode (Section 4.5 below).

To edit channel data manually it is recommended to enter VFO Mode, make the setting changes and then save that information in a new channel or delete the old channel first and then rewrite it from VFO Mode.

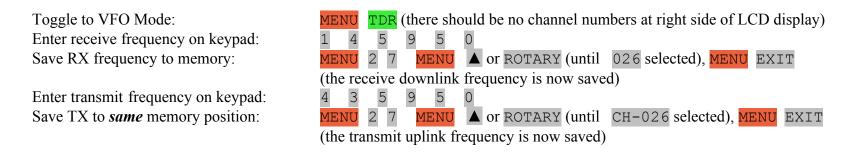
#### 4.4.1 Channel Mode Sub-Modes

When in Channel Mode you can choose to display either the channel number, the channel frequency or the channel name:

Enter Channel Mode: Select Menu Option 21: MENU TDR (you should see channel numbers at right side of LCD display)
 MENU 2 1 MENU ▲ (to select CH = channel number, CH FREQ = channel frequency, or NAME = channel name), MENU EXIT
 (There is also a FREQ parameter, to set VFO mode on, but it is easier to toggle using MENU TDR )

#### 4.4.2 Odd Repeater Channel Offsets, Cross-band Settings

Normally, amateur radio repeaters have an rx/tx offset of 600KHz on the 2M band, 1.6MHz on the 1.25M band and 5MHz on the 70CM band. If you wish to program an oddball offset or otherwise operate cross-band you can directly program such offsets with software or use what Wouxun refers to as "*dis*-channel" settings. An example for an assumed satellite with 70CM FM uplink and 2M FM downlink follows:



#### 4.4.3 Channel Memories

The radios have 128 standard memory channels and 18 FM radio memories. When programming manually it is important to know what the unused channels are. Use ROTARY in Channel Mode to check the channel numbers in memory, or enter Menu 27 (MEM-CH):

MENU 2 7 MENU, ROTARY, programmed channels show as, e.g., CH-025 while free unused channels appear as 025, EXIT

#### 4.5 Dealer Mode

Normally channel information is locked. If you must change channel parameters outside of software or without deleting and recreating a channel then use Dealer Mode.

Enter dealer mode:

Hold down keypad# 8 while turning the radio on POWER SWITCH/VOLUME CONTROL (you should see 2 lines of 6 underscore characters on the LCD screen)

Release key 8 after beeps Enter dealer password:

6 0

Select required channel to alter Make required channel parameter changes Restart to exit dealer mode: MENU A/B MENU

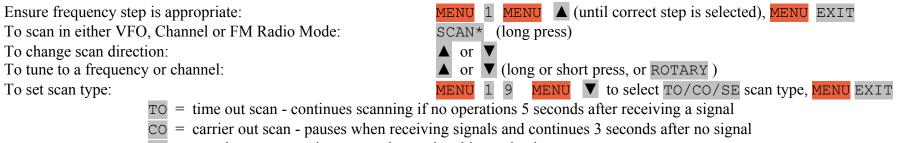
## 5 Standby, Scanning, Reverse, Monitor, and DTMF

"Standby" is used by Wouxun to refer to watching activity on both frequencies (dual receive) when in dual frequency or dual channel modes, "Scanning" is an automatic frequency/channel change to detect busy frequencies, "Reverse" refers to receiving the transmit frequency of a repeater input and "Monitoring" means to open the squelch temporarily to listen to a weak signal. How scanning behaves is dependent on the mode.

#### 5.1 Standby (Dual Receive)

When in dual frequency or dual channel mode the master frequency is indicated with an  $\blacktriangleright$  arrow at left of the chosen frequency/channel. However, the radio is also watching the secondary (sub) frequency. If the master frequency is clear signals detected on the sub frequency break through and an **S** is displayed in the upper right of the LCD display. If you do not require this dual receive behaviour switch to single frequency/channel mode with TDR. In single frequency/channel mode **UVxx** is displayed in place of a second frequency or channel – where "xx" is the radio model number.

#### 5.2 Scanning



SE = search scan - scanning stops when a signal is received

Note that these Wouxun radios do not have VFO mode scan limit edges.

### 5.3 Scanning CTCSS/DCS

This advanced feature enables one to scan for a signal that is being transmitted on a repeater input frequency and determine the CTCSS or DCS tone/code necessary to access that repeater. This function only works in VFO Mode on the master frequency (indicated with a row):

Toggle to VFO Mode:	MENU TDR (there should be no channel numbers at right side of LCD display).
Set scan type to time-out:	MENU 1 9 MENU ▼ to select TO, MENU EXIT
Select master frequency:	A/B (if necessary enter scan start frequency now on keypad)
Start frequency scan:	SCAN* (long press)
When repeater signal detected:	MENU 3 0 MENU $\checkmark$ or $\checkmark$ to choose either a CTCSS or a DCS scan,
Start the tone/code scan:	MENU
Set tone/code temporarily:	MENU, EXIT

Now enter this CTCSS/DCS tone in a channel memory or into Menu settings 15, 16, 17 or 18, as appropriate.

#### 5.4 Scanning – Priority and Skipped Scans

A priority scan frequency can be programmed with software. With this type of scan the priority scan frequency is checked alternately. Specific channels can also be designated to be skipped (ignored) during scanning. Both of these features are only available through software.

#### 5.5 Reverse Frequency

To monitor the reverse (transmit input) frequency of a repeater channel:  $SCAN^*$  (short press) An **R** will be displayed in the upper centre of the LCD display.

#### 5.6 Monitor

To open the squelch to attempt to hear a weak station: Side Key 2 (long press) The **BUSY** symbol will appear at bottom left of the LCD display and the signal meter will register.

### 5.7 DTMF

DTMF encoding (touch tones) are available by pressing and holding the PTT button while at the same time pressing the required DTMF tone code keys on the keypad. For example, to access an IRLP link through a repeater you might enter the following codes: PTT hold, # 9 3 1 4

DTMF touch tones for A, B, C and D can be transmitted by pressing MENU, ▲, ▼, and EXIT, respectively.

Via software more DTMF functions are available: toggle transmit ANI (automatic number identification) ID Code, edit ANI ID Code, set delay time for ANI code and toggle DTMF sidetone.

### 6 Extend Battery Run-time

There are number of functions which can extend battery life. These are listed below in approximate order of effectiveness:

- 1. Reduce transmit power:
- 2. Toggle power during transmit:
- 3. Set time-out timer to low value:
- 4. Set power saver mode to on:
- 5. Set voice prompt to off:
- 6. Set keypad beep to off:
- 7. Set auto backlight to off:
- MENU 4 MENU ▼ to select L for low power out (1 watt), MENU EXIT
  PTT TDR (press while transmitting, remains at this power until restart)
  MENU 6 MENU ▼ to select number of seconds to transmit time-out, MENU EXIT
  MENU 3 MENU ▼ to select ON , (reduces active receiver on time), MENU EXIT
  MENU 9 MENU ▼ to select OFF , MENU EXIT
  MENU 1 1 MENU ▼ to select OFF , MENU EXIT
  MENU 2 2 MENU ▼ to select OFF, MENU EXIT

When the battery is near exhausted the radio will alert the user with: 1) a voice prompt, 2) a backlight flash once every 5 seconds and 3) clicks will be emitted.

# 7 Locks and Resets

### 7.1 Locks

To toggle a keypad lock on/off but still enable receive and transmit on the master frequency last in use: 🛏 # (long press)

A 🖛 symbol will be displayed in the lower right corner of the LCD display when lock is activated. The keypad lock is saved through a system restart.

#### MENU 1 4 MENU ▼ to select ON, MENU EXIT

#### 7.2 Resets

To reset (revert to factory settings):

- 1) all parameters for VFO mode:
- 2) all parameters for VFO and Channel Modes\*:

MENU 2 9	MENU 🔻	to select VFO,	<mark>MENU</mark> EXIT
MENU 2 9	MENU 🔻	to select ALL,	<mark>MENU</mark> EXIT
(* <i>Caution</i> : the ALL command erases all your channels)			

To restart the transceiver (rather than ON/OFF/ON):

MENU	A/B	MENU
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# 8 Side Key Functions

There are two side key buttons on the left case side of the KG series radios, immediately below the PTT button. Side Key 1 is the upper button, Side Key 2 the lower.

### 8.1 Side Key 1

By default this button toggles on and off the FM Radio. However, this button can be programmed to either: activate a scan, turn on the flashlight, enable the SOS function, turn on the FM Radio, or inactivate the button entirely:

MENU 2 0 MENU, ▼ to select SCAN = activate scan, LAMP = turn on lamp, SOS-CH = activate SOS function, RADIO = turn on FM Radio, or, OFF = inactivate Side Key 1, MENU EXIT

#### 8.1.1 FM Radio Mode

This mode is toggled via Side Key 1 (unless the user has re-programmed Side Key 1, as above). The previously chosen master frequency stays on screen with the FM frequency visible either above or below the master frequency. The master frequency is now a standby priority channel and is watched continuously. If a carrier is detected on the master frequency the FM radio switches to the master frequency and only reverts back to FM Radio after five seconds of no signal. FM Radio Mode cannot be activated if a frequency is busy.

To toggle FM Radio Mode:	Side Key 1
To scan the FM Radio:	SCAN*

To tune the FM Radio:

To memorize a station in first nine FM memory locations:

To memorize a station in second nine FM memory locations:

#### 8.1.2 1750Hz Burst Tone

Some European repeaters require a 1750Hz burst tone for access. To generate this tone press PTT and Side Key 1 simultaneously.

#### 8.1.3 SOS Function

As this function is not appropriate to amateur radio it is not discussed here. Refer to the Wouxun manual if required.

### 8.2 Side Key 2

To turn on flashlight: To activate "Monitor" (open the squelch):

Side	Кеу	2	(short press)
Side	Кеу	2	(long press)

▲ or ▼ (press repeatedly, or ROTARY ) MENU , then choose 1 through 9

•• # MENU , then choose 1 through 9

### 9 Other Functions

Thus far we have seen 19 of 30 menu items in action. Most of the other menu function items below are "set and forget" features:

Set squelch level:	MENU 2 MENU ▼ to select 0 through 9 MENU EXIT (5 is default and reasonable. Use higher numbers if suffering from intermod interference. If green receive LED flickers consider increasing squelch level)
Enable transmit beeps:	MENU 5 MENU ▼ to select OFF = no beeps, BOT = beep at transmission start, EOT = beep at transmission end, BOTH = beeps at begin and end, MENU EXIT
Set VOX level:	MENU 7 MENU <b>V</b> to select either OFF or levels 1 through 10 MENU EXIT (voice activated transmit switch, VOX, is not recommended for handheld radios)
Set FM bandwidth:	MENU 8 MENU $\checkmark$ to select either WIDE (25KHz) or NARROW (12.5KHz), MENU EXIT (recommendation is narrow for most modern repeater systems. If selected an $N$ is displayed on upper right of the LCD display)
Set transmit time-out alarm:	MENU 1 0 MENU ▼ to select 1 through 10 for # of seconds for TOT alarm, MENU EXIT (alerts user when TOT is about to activate. See Section 6 concerning time-out timer)
Set power on message:	MENU 1 2 MENU ▼ to select either OFF , BATT for battery voltage display, or MSG for a welcome message, MENU EXIT (welcome message can be programmed only with software)
Set busy channel lockout:	MENU 1 3 MENU V to select either OFF or ON, MENU EXIT (disables transmit if the PTT button is pressed when a frequency is busy)
Enable receive CTCSS (ton	e squelch): MENU 1 5 MENU V to select 67.0Hz through 254.1Hz as a tone squelch (CTCSS RX), MENU EXIT (the tone squelch opens only when receiving a signal with the same pre-programmed subaudible tone. Useful when distant repeaters have same transmit frequencies.)
Enable receive DCS:	MENU 1 7 MENU ▼ to select D023N through D754N digital coded squelch code for receive, MENU EXIT

(DCS is rarely used in amateur radio)

Enable transmit DCS: MENU 1 8 MENU ▼ to select D023N through D754N digital coded squelch code for transmit, MENU EXIT (DCS is rarely used in amateur radio)
 Enable stopwatch: MENU 2 5 MENU ▼ to select either OFF or ON, MENU EXIT (when enabled start stopwatch by short press of ► # , press any key to pause, short press of ► # again to restart.)

## 10 Software

Software programming of the Wouxun radios enables additional features not available through manual keypad strokes or menus. These features may include: mode switch password, reset password, welcome message, priority scan channel, set scanned channels, DTMF options and frequency range unlocks. See the software help files for more information:

Wouxun software*:	http://www.wouxun.com/DownView.asp?ID=164&SortID=12
Commander software:	http://www.kc8unj.com/kguv.html
Chirp Apple software:	http://chirp.danplanet.com/
Open Wouxun Linux/Unix software:	http://owx.chmurka.net/?p=docs
Unlocking software (at own risk):	http://mods.dk

The majority of user issues with radio software are related to an incorrect port (or device name) setting for the computer-radio interface cable. Linux users must also ensure they are members of the *uucp* group.

Unlocking software requires care or you may brick the radio. Save all factory settings first by doing a "Program, Read from Radio, File, Save". If you do an unlock the TX range *must* match the RX range. Also be aware that the internal filters and the antenna are designed for a limited frequency range.

For wire cloning between similar radios see the Wouxun manual.

(\* Wouxun software also works in Linux under Wine ( <u>http://www.winehq.org/</u>) but the Commander software can be problematic with Wine).

# 11 Useful Links

Chirp Apple Mac programming:	http://chirp.danplanet.com/
Frequency range video:	http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F5Fj2MKzbYk
KC8UNJ's KG-UV Commander software:	http://www.kc8unj.com/kguv.html
K6PKL's Wouxun links:	http://k6pkl.com/wouxunradio.htm
Open Wouxun Linux software:	http://owx.chmurka.net/
Software mods:	http://www.worldwidedx.com/amateur-radio-modifications/62063-wouxun-kg-uvd1p-software-
<u>mod.html</u>	
Unlocking software:	http://mods.dk
VE7EA's latest manual update:	http://lggagnon.wordpress.com/2012/02/29/wouxun-kg-uvd1p-vhfuhf-handheld-transceiver-a-new-
<u>users-manual/</u>	
Wouxun download site:	http://www.wouxun.com/down_01.asp?SortID=4&SortPath=0,4,
Wouxun service manual:	http://www.scribd.com/doc/29523840/Service-manual-Wouxun-Kguvd1
Yahoo KG Commander Group:	http://groups.yahoo.com/group/KG-UV_Commander/
Yahoo KG-UVD1P Group:	http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Wouxun_KG-UVD1/
Yahoo KG-UV2D Group:	http://groups.yahoo.com/group/KGUV2D/
Yahoo KG-UV3D Group:	http://groups.yahoo.com/group/kguv3d/