What to do in an Emergency

- Turn on radio.
- Turn volume all the way up (keep turning knob).
- Wait and listen.
- If you hear someone you recognize, use the big button on the left side to talk (PTT – push to talk), and release after speaking. Then release.
- Keep messages short. Don't use names.
- Listen at the top of every hour for 3 minutes. Turn radio off when not in use.

EMERGENCY PROTOCOL

1 **Turn on the radio**
Listen at the top of every hour for 3 minutes.

2 **Try FAMEMRG, Channel 003**
Traffic may be heavy, avoid using names.

3 **Next, try Channel 001**
Listen for your call sign.

Call sign: _____

HOW TO USE YOUR RADIO

1 Turn on the radio

2 Listen at the top of every hour for 3 minutes

3 Call out

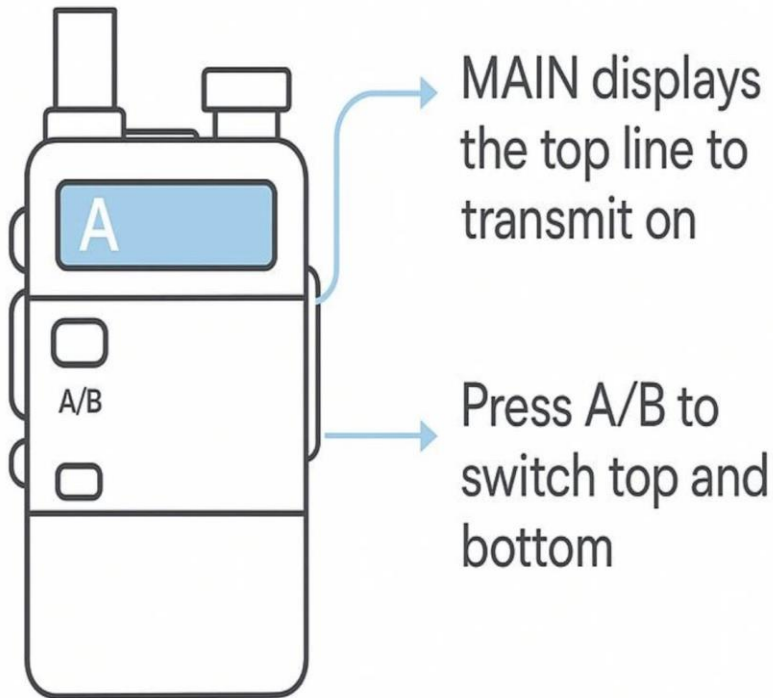→ Try FAM-EMRG (Channel 003)

→ Next, try WA1 (Channel 001)

Call Sign _____

DUAL WATCH

MAIN displays the top line to transmit on

Press A/B to switch top and bottom

Dual watch allows you to monitor two channels and respond on either. The main channel is highlighted on the display.

Use dual watch when monitoring one channel while waiting for radio traffic on

Channels

- Main Channel for Cottonwood Sp neighborhood
  - GRMS 22 CTCSS 67.0

Ch 1-7 are for local use (1-2 miles) 2w max
Ch 15-22 can be used up to 50 W. Use for the
neighborhood

Repeater channels are for the Tricities.
Pasco Repeater. 462.650 CTCSS 123.0

Benton City 462.600 +5 CTCSS 103.5

GRMS. Emergency 20 (462.6750)

HAM emergency 466.000

Local FM emergency station 105.3

NOAA. 162.450

TROUBLESHOOTING

If you can't hear others:
Check the volume and ensure you're on the same channel.

If others can't hear you:
Make sure you're on correcct channel and that the antenna is secure.

If the radio won't turn on:
Check that the battery is charged or try replacing it.

RADIO ETIQUETTE

✓ DO

- Wait for an opening
- State your call sign to begin
- Keep messages brief
- Only transmit essential information

🚫 DON'T

- Interrupt other transmissions
- Use offensive language
- Discuss sensitive information

CALL SIGN BASICS

Call sign: _____ .

- This is [CALL SIGN], over.
- [CALL SIGN, this is [CALL SIGN], go ahead
- Say urgent messages
  Priority traffic