



User's Guide

***TALKABOUT***<sup>™</sup>  
Personal Interactive Communicator



Model T900  
FLEX<sup>™</sup> Technology



## Introduction

Congratulations on your purchase of the TalkAbout™ T900 Personal Interactive Communicator. Whether receiving or sending messages, the TalkAbout T900 Personal Interactive Communicator can become a vital part of your business and personal life and change the way you communicate with family, friends, and business associates.

This guide explains how to use your new communicator and provides helpful suggestions for first-time, as well as experienced users.

***A detachable quick-reference card is included for your convenience.***

## Effective Use of Your Communicator

With this communicator, you can send wireless messages to internet e-mail addresses and other communicator devices, yet it is small enough to comfortably wear on your belt or fit in a pocket. By supplying business associates, family members, and friends with your wireless address information, you can be contacted whenever needed.

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## **Safety and General Information**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON SAFE AND EFFICIENT OPERATION.

READ THIS INFORMATION BEFORE USING YOUR PERSONAL INTERACTIVE COMMUNICATOR.

The information provided in this document supersedes the general safety information contained in user guides published prior to July 2000. For information regarding radio use in a hazardous atmosphere please refer to the Factory Mutual (FM) Approval Manual Supplement or Instruction Card, which is included with radio models that offer this capability.

### **RF Operational Characteristics**

Your Personal Interactive Communicator contains a transmitter and a receiver. When it is ON, it receives and transmits radio frequency (RF) energy. The Personal Interactive Communicator operates in the frequency range of 896 MHz to 941 MHz and employs digital modulation techniques.

When you communicate with your Personal Interactive Communicator, the output power level is 1.0 watt.

## **Exposure to Radio Frequency Energy**

Your Motorola Personal Interactive Communicator is designed to comply with the following national and international standards and guidelines regarding exposure of human beings to radio frequency electromagnetic energy:

- United States Federal Communications Commission, Code of Federal Regulations; 47 CFR part 2 sub-part J.
- American National Standards Institute (ANSI) / Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) C95. 1-1992.
- Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) C95.1-1999 Edition.
- National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP) of the United States, Report 86, 1986.
- International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) 1998.
- Ministry of Health (Canada) Safety Code 6. Limits of Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields in the Frequency Range from 3 kHz to 300 GHz, 1999.



- Australian Communications Authority Radiocommunications (Electromagnetic Radiation - Human Exposure) Standard 1999 (applicable to wireless phones only).

To assure optimal Personal Interactive Communicator performance and make sure human exposure to radio frequency electromagnetic energy is within the guidelines set forth in the above standards, always adhere to the following procedures:

## **Portable Personal Interactive Communicator Operation and EME Exposure**

### **Body-worn Operation**

To maintain compliance with FCC/Health Canada RF exposure guidelines, if you wear a Personal Interactive Communicator on your body when transmitting, always place the Personal Interactive Communicator in **a Motorola supplied or approved clip, holder, holster, case, or body harness**. Use of non-Motorola-approved accessories may exceed FCC/Health Canada RF exposure guidelines. **If you do not use a body-**

worn accessory, ensure the device is at least one inch (2.5 cm) from your body when transmitting.

### **Approved Accessories**

For a list of approved Motorola accessories call 1-800-422-4210 or visit our website at [www.mot.com](http://www.mot.com).

### **Electromagnetic Interference/Compatibility**

*NOTE:* Nearly every electronic device is susceptible to electromagnetic interference (EMI) if inadequately shielded, designed or otherwise configured for electromagnetic compatibility.

- **FACILITIES**

To avoid electromagnetic interference and/or compatibility conflicts, turn off your Personal Interactive Communicator in any facility where posted notices instruct you to do so. Hospitals or health care facilities may be using equipment that is sensitive to external RF energy.

- **AIRCRAFT**

When instructed to do so, turn off your Personal Interactive Communicator when on board an aircraft. Any use of a

Personal Interactive Communicator must be in accordance with applicable regulations per airline crew instructions.

- **MEDICAL DEVICES**

**Pacemakers**

The Advanced Medical Technology Association recommends that a minimum separation of 6 inches (15 centimeters) be maintained between a handheld wireless Personal Interactive Communicator and a pacemaker. These recommendations are consistent with the independent research by, and recommendations of, the United States Food and Drug Administration.

Persons with pacemakers should:

- ALWAYS keep the Personal Interactive Communicator more than six inches (15 centimeters) from their pacemaker when the Personal Interactive Communicator is turned ON.
- not carry the Personal Interactive Communicator in the breast pocket.
- use the ear opposite the pacemaker to minimize the potential for interference.

- turn the Personal Interactive Communicator OFF immediately if you have any reason to suspect that interference is taking place.

**Hearing Aids**

Some digital wireless Personal Interactive Communicators may interfere with some hearing aids. In the event of such interference, you may want to consult your hearing aid manufacturer to discuss alternatives.

**Other Medical Devices**

If you use any other personal medical device, consult the manufacturer of your device to determine if it is adequately shielded from RF energy. Your physician may be able to assist you in obtaining this information.

## **Safety and General**

### **• USE WHILE DRIVING**

Check the laws and regulations on the use of a Personal Interactive Communicator in the area where you drive. Always obey them.

When using your Personal Interactive Communicator while driving, please:

- give full attention to driving and to the road.
- use hands-free operation, if available.
- pull off the road and park before making or answering a call if driving conditions so require.

## **Operational Warnings**

### **• FOR VEHICLES WITH AN AIR BAG**

Do not place a portable Personal Interactive Communicator in the area over an air bag or in the air bag deployment area. Air bags inflate with great force. If a portable Personal Interactive Communicator is placed in the air bag deployment area and the air bag inflates, the Personal Interactive Communicator may be propelled with great force and cause serious injury to occupants of the vehicle.

- **POTENTIALLY EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERES**

Turn off your Personal Interactive Communicator prior to entering any area with a potentially explosive atmosphere, unless it is a Personal Interactive Communicator type especially qualified for use in such areas as "Intrinsically Safe". Do not remove, install, or charge batteries in such areas. Sparks in a potentially explosive atmosphere can cause an explosion or fire resulting in bodily injury or even death.

*NOTE:* The areas with potentially explosive atmospheres referred to above include fueling areas such as below decks on boats, fuel or chemical transfer or storage facilities, areas where the air contains chemicals or particles, such as grain, dust or metal powders, and any other area where you would normally be advised to turn off your vehicle engine. Areas with potentially explosive atmospheres are often but not always posted.

- **BLASTING CAPS AND AREAS**

To avoid possible interference with blasting operations, turn off your Personal Interactive Communicator when you are near electrical blasting caps, in a blasting area, or in areas posted: "Turn off two-way radio". Obey all signs and instructions.

## Operational Cautions

- **BATTERIES**

All batteries can cause property damage and/or bodily injury such as burns if a conductive material such as jewelry, keys, or beaded chains touch exposed terminals. The conductive material may complete an electrical circuit (short circuit) and become quite hot. Exercise care in handling any charged battery, particularly when placing it inside a pocket, purse, or other container with metal objects.






## Getting Started

### Battery Information

Your communicator uses one AA-size alkaline battery (do not use carbon-zinc batteries), which also recharges the internal transmit power source.

Two AA-size batteries are included with your communicator. One is installed. Check the battery gauge in the Vital Signs menu and replace the installed battery as needed.

If  is displayed on the Status screen, the AA-battery is low.

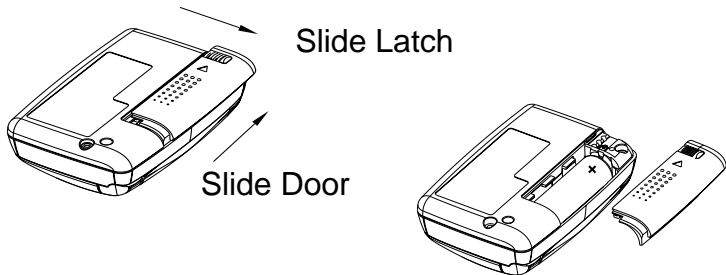
If  begins flashing, your communicator is about to shut down due to low battery power. While  is flashing, you cannot receive or transmit messages, but you can still read unread messages and your address book entries.

**Note:** This product contains a Nickel-Cadmium (NiCd) rechargeable battery that must be recycled or disposed of properly. Recycling facilities may not be available in all areas.





## Installing/Replacing the Battery

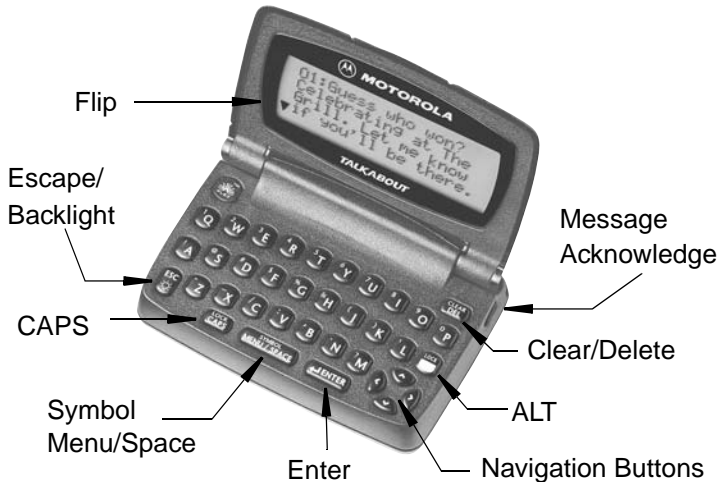


**Caution!** You must match the (+) and (-) polarity markings. If you insert the battery backwards, your pager settings (time, date, etc.) will be erased.





**Note:** If you replaced a dead battery, wait a few hours before using your communicator to ensure proper operation.












## Control Buttons





Control Button		Description
Flip		Houses and protects the LCD screen. Open to awaken the communicator; close to activate sleep mode.
	Escape/ Backlight	Press to return to preceding screen without accepting any changes. Also, press to access the Status screen from the Main menu, or press and hold to turn on and off the backlight.
	CAPS	Press to capitalize next typed letters.
	Menu/Space	Press to access Main menu or to insert a space in text.
	Enter	Press to select the highlighted option or to save settings.


















Control Button		Description
	Navigation buttons	Press  or  to scroll through menu selections. Press  or  to page through menu options.
	ALT	Activates the Alt-mode control keys (color-coded yellow). The status icon  is displayed. The next key pressed activates an Alt-mode function.
	Message Acknowledge	Used to acknowledge message alerts when the pager is in the holster.
	Delete	When pressed, it deletes the character to the left of the cursor.










## ALT-mode Functions

The following key sequences provide access to the corresponding ALT-mode functions.

Control Buttons	Description
 	<b>ALT-Lock</b> — Activates the Alt-mode control keys (color-coded yellow). To exit, press  again.
 	<b>Cancel</b> — Clears the entire message screen when composing a message.
 	<b>CAPS Lock</b> — Activates the CAPS Lock mode (uppercase letters). To exit, press  again.
 	<b>Carriage Return</b> — Inserts a carriage return after the cursor.
 	<b>Symbols</b> — Activates Symbols. Seventeen (17) symbols are available at the bottom of the screen. Press  or  to highlight the desired symbol and press  to insert the symbol at the cursor.



## Turning On Your Communicator









- ❶ Ensure that a fresh battery is properly installed as described in “Installing/Replacing the Battery” on page 15.
- ❷ Open the flip and press any key to turn your communicator on. The communicator emits a 4-second power-up alert, and displays the Status screen.
- ❸ Press  ,  ,  ,  ,  , or  to display the Main menu.
  - If you do not select a menu item, the communicator goes into standby mode.
  - If you have one or more unread messages,  flashes on the Standby screen.



## Turning Off Your Communicator














You should turn off your communicator to save battery power.

The communicator receives any stored messages, once the unit is turned back on in the coverage area.

Press	To Display	Then Press
 or 	 Power Off	 ENTER
 or 	 Yes	 ENTER

## Setting Transmitter Mode

When the transmitter is turned off, the communicator cannot send messages or replies, but it can receive messages.

Press	To Display	Then Press
 or 	 Preferences	 ENTER
 or 	 Transmitter Off	 ENTER
 or 	 Yes or  No	 ENTER



## **Messaging Service Instructions**

To begin messaging service, contact your service provider for instructions. The phone number of the messaging service can be found in the literature provided by the service provider.

### **Sending a Test Message to Yourself**



After you activate your service, you should test your communicator and service by sending a message to yourself. Use the telephone number, web site, or e-mail address (and a wireless address) provided by your service provider. If you are using a phone to send a word message, an operator will help; otherwise, enter a numeric message or type one and send it. While waiting for the message to reach your communicator, refer to “Reading Messages” on page 43. If your communicator does not receive the message within a few minutes, contact your service provider.

After you have tested the communicator, read the rest of this guide to learn about other features.





## Backlight

In low-light conditions, press and hold  to turn on the backlight. The backlight remains illuminated until the communicator times out and returns to the Standby screen. To manually turn the backlight off, press and hold .

## Setting Up Your Communicator

This section explains how to set the time and date, alarm time, alert mode, News/Info InBox alerts, and other features.

## Using the Main Menu

Use the Main menu to access the following features:

- MailBox
- i News/Info InBox
- Info-On-Demand (if available)
- Address Book
- Personal Folder
- News/Info Folder



- Delete Messages
- Preferences
- Vital Signs
- Power Off the Communicator

### ***Accessing the Communicator Features from the Main Menu***

From the Standby screen, press any key (the Status screen displays momentarily). Or press **SYMBOL MENU / SPACE**, **ENTER**, **←**, **→**, **↑**, or **↓** to go directly to the Main Menu.

Press	To ...	Then Press
<b>SYMBOL MENU / SPACE</b> , <b>ENTER</b> , <b>←</b> , <b>→</b> , <b>↑</b> or <b>↓</b>	Display the Main menu from the Status screen	
<b>↑</b> or <b>↓</b>	Highlight desired menu item	<b>ENTER</b> to select.



## Setting the Key Click

When this feature is turned on and the communicator is in audible mode, a "click" is emitted whenever a button is pressed.

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	⚙ Preferences	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	🔊 Key Click	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Ⓞ On	⬅ ENTER to save.

## Creating a Signature

You can create a signature for your messages that is automatically appended to each message you initiate.

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	⚙ Preferences	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	✍ Signature	⬅ ENTER
Keyboard	To create desired signature	⬅ ENTER to save.



## Setting the Font Size.

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	Preferences	↵ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Aa Font Size	↵ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	aa Normal or AA Large	↵ ENTER to select. ↵ ENTER again to save.



# Time and Date





## Setting the Time and Date

Press	To Display	Then Press
or	Preferences	
or	Set Time & Date	
or	Desired hour (1 to 12, or 1 to 24)	or  for minutes
or	Desired minutes: Set first digit (0 to 5). Repeat for second digit (0 to 9), and again to set AM, PM, or 24hr. Press  or  to move left or right.	or  for date
or	Desired month. Repeat for day and year. Press  or  to move left or right.	to save.



















## Alerts

Alert icons are displayed on the Status screen.

- If an audible alert is selected,  is displayed.
- If  Vibrate is selected,  is displayed.
- If  Silent is selected, no alert icon is displayed.
- Alert durations are shortened when the battery is low.

### Setting the MailBox and the News/Info Alert

Press	To Display	Then Press
 or 	 Preferences	
 or 	 MailBox Alert or  News/Info Alert	 for list of available tones.
 or  and  or 	Desired Alert tone  Press  to sample the tones.	 to select.  again to save.



## Setting the Alert Volume

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	⚙ Preferences	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	🔊 Alert Volume	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬅ and ⬆ or ➡	This moves the cursor to the left (-) or to the right (+) to decrease or increase the volume. Press <b>SYMBOL MENU / SPACE</b> to sample.	⬅ ENTER to save.

## Reminder Alert

When active, generates alerts when there are unread personal messages.

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	⚙ Preferences	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	🔊 Reminder Alert	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	⓪ On or ⓧ Off	⬅ ENTER to save.



## ***Reminder Alert Types***

- Audible - a chirp.
- Vibrate - a short vibration.
- Chirp and vibrate - a chirp followed by a 1-second vibration.
- Vibrate and beep - a 2-second vibration followed by a beep.



















## **Private Time**

Private Time mode lets you specify a time period during which the communicator operates without an audible or vibrate alert.





## Setting Private Time

Press	To Display	Then Press
 or 	 Preferences	
 or 	 Set Private Time	
 or 	 (Private Time activated)  (Private Time deactivated)	
 ,  ,  or 	To set On time (when it starts) and Off time (when it ends). See “Setting the Time and Date” on page 27 for more information on setting times.	 to save.

## Quiet Mode

When turned on, Quiet Mode temporarily changes all audible alerts to vibrator alerts. Turn the mode off to reinstate the audible alerts.



## Setting the Quiet Mode

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	⌘ Preferences	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	🔇 Quiet Mode	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	○ On	⬅ ENTER to select. ⬅ ENTER again to save.

**Note:** When you turn on the Quiet Mode, a 🔇 flashes on the Status screen to remind you.



## Addresses

Your Address Book can store data for up to 250 people. Each entry can include a name; wireless and e-mail addresses; home, work, pager, mobile phone, and fax/other numbers; and notes.

### Creating an Address Book Entry

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	📁 Address Book	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	✍ New Entry	⬅ ENTER
Keyboard	Name	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Desired field	⬅ ENTER
Keyboard	Address/number	⬅ ENTER
Repeat	All desired fields	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	📁 Save Entry	⬅ ENTER

**Note:** Text in an address book field remains even if the screen times out, so you can return and complete the entry.




## Searching the Address Book

You can use search instead of scrolling through the entries.

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	📁 Address Book	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	🔍 Search	⬅ ENTER
Keyboard	First few characters until desired entry is highlighted.	⬅ ENTER

## Deleting Addresses

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	📁 Address Book	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Desired entry	⬅ ENTER
 SYMBOL MENU / SPACE	Entry Options menu	
⬆ or ⬇	🗑 Delete Entry	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	○ Yes	⬅ ENTER



## Editing Addresses

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	📁 Address Book	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Desired entry	⬅ ENTER
<b>SYMBOL MENU / SPACE</b>	Entry Options menu	
⬆ or ⬇	✎ Edit Entry	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Desired field to edit	⬅ ENTER
Keyboard	Desired changes Repeat for all fields.	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	📁 Save Entry	⬅ ENTER



## Messages

This section describes how to select the addressee, compose a message, and send messages.

### Selecting the Address(es)

You can send a message to one or more addressees and to multiple addresses for the same addressee.

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	✉ Send Message	⬆ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	✉ Select Address	⬆ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	📖 Address Book	⬆ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Desired entry	⬆ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Desired address	⬆ ENTER
Repeat	Desired addressee/addresses	⬆ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Done Addressing	⬆ ENTER











**Note:** The Communicator returns to the Send Message menu, and ☒ Add Addresses replaces ☒ Select Address.

**Note:** The Send Message selection is unavailable until you compose the message and select an address.

### ***Entering an Address Not in Your Address Book***

You can send messages to addresses that are not permanently added to your Address Book.

To send the message, perform the following:

Press	To Display	Then Press
 or 	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Send Message	 ENTER
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Select Address	 ENTER
 or 	or	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Add Addresses	
 or 	Desired address type	 ENTER
Keyboard	Desired address	 ENTER



## Composing a Message

Press	To Display	Then Press
or	Send Message	ENTER
or	Write Message	ENTER
Keyboard	Your message	ENTER

**Note:** The communicator returns to the Send Message menu, and displays a checkmark in the Write Message selection.

## Sending a Message

To send a message you need a selected address, and a composed message. Which one is performed first, doesn't matter. Once you have both, do the following:





Press	To Display	Then Press
or	Send Message	ENTER
	MESSAGE TRANSMITTING	










## MailBox

The MailBox receives incoming messages transmitted to your communicator. The MailBox allows you to read, save, respond, forward, and delete messages. It provides a transmission status log for messages sent and acts as a holding area for unsent messages, which are categorized into the following types:

-  Sending in Progress (Flashing)
-  Sent Successfully
-  Send Message Failed
-  Send Message Failed Due to NiCd Charging



## Previewing and Reading Messages

- When you receive a personal or information service message, the Status screen is displayed and an alert is given according to your settings. A flashing  (MailBox) or  (News/Info) indicates which type of message has been received.
  - To stop an alert, press the side button or open the flip. The  on the Standby screen and  or  on the Main menu flash until you have read all received MailBox or News/Info service messages.
- Note:** If reminder alerts is active, the communicator periodically generates the selected alert to remind you of any unread MailBox messages.
- When the main message memory is full, MEMORY FULL is displayed on the Status screen. When memory is full, the oldest messages (read first, then unread) are automatically deleted to make room for new messages.



- If turned on, the third line of the Status screen displays text messages that indicate carrier-specific service modes. Refer to your service provider literature.
- If programmed **T** displays whenever you are out of your coverage area. Upon returning to your coverage area, **T** no longer displays on the Status screen.
- If your communicator is configured to save messages received with errors, **UPDATED** is displayed at the beginning of a message, which indicates the message has been retransmitted to correct previously received errors.



## Previewing Messages

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	✉ MailBox or i News/Info InBox	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	✉ InBox, ✉ OutBox, 📁 Drafts Folder or Desired Info InBox (shown in groups of four)	⬅ ENTER to display list of messages.

The following icons can be displayed to the left of each message in the preview list.

- ⬢ Indicates previously viewed and read messages.
- ✓ Indicates a successful reply.
- ✗ Indicates an unsuccessful reply.
- ❓ Indicates the unread MailBox message has custom reply choices attached.



## Reading Messages

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	Desired message	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Message text line-by-line	
or	or	
⬅ ENTER	Message text page-by-page.	
	If there is additional text, ▲ and ▼ display to the left of the screen.	






**Note:** If preset, the time and date the message was received displays at the end of each message. To set the time and date, see “Time and Date” on page 27.

**Note:** After you read your message, the last line of the screen is a link to the Message Options menu. For specific information about this menu, please see “Working with the Message Options Menu” on page 44.



## Scrolling Between Messages

While reading a message, you can quickly display another one.

Press	To Display	Then Press
	The previous message	 ,  or
or	or	 to
	The next message	read text.

## Working with the Message Options Menu

You can access the Message Options Menu from any of the InBoxes available in the MailBox.



Press	To Display	Then Press
⬅ or ➡	✉ MailBox	⬅ ENTER
⬅ or ➡	✉ Inbox, ✉ OutBox or 📁 Drafts Folder	⬅ ENTER
⬅ or ➡	Desired message	SYMBOL MENU / SPACE
⬅ or ➡	Desired option from the Message Options Menu	⬅ ENTER

See the following sections for more information on each of the message options in the menu: ⬇ Next Message,

⬅ Reply to Message, ⬅ Resend Message,  
➡ Forward Message, 📁 Move to Folder, or  
🗑 Delete Message.















**Note:** The Message Options Menu is also accessible from the message itself. See “Reading Messages” on page 43.



## Replying to Messages

You can compose your own custom reply to a message or use one of the pre-programmed replies from the list.

### ***Sending a Custom Reply***





Press	To Display	Then Press
	Message Options menu	
 or 	 Reply to Message	
 or 	 Custom Reply	
Keyboard	Type in your reply message.	
 or 	 Send Message	
	MESSAGE TRANSMITTING	



## ***Sending a Pre-programmed Reply***










Press	To Display	Then Press
 SYMBOL MENU / SPACE	Message Options menu	
 or 	 Reply to Message	
 or 	Desired reply from list of pre-programmed replies.	
	MESSAGE TRANSMITTING	

**Note:**  flashes to the left of the message to indicate the reply is in progress. If the reply is successful,  displays to the left of the message on the Message Preview screen. If the message reply is unsuccessful,  or  displays instead. Please see “MailBox” on page 39 for more information.



## Resending Messages

This option is available only for messages in your OutBox that were not successfully transmitted. If the message doesn't show  or  to the left, its option menu will not display this option.

Press	To Display	Then Press
	Message Options menu	
 or 	 Resend Message	
	MESSAGE TRANSMITTING	

## Forwarding Messages

You can append text to, and then forward any message.



Press	To Display	Then Press
<b>SYMBOL MENU / SPACE</b>	Message Options menu	
or	Forward Message	<b>← ENTER</b>
or	Write Message	<b>← ENTER</b>
Keyboard	Appended text	<b>← ENTER</b>
or	Select Address	<b>← ENTER</b>
or	Desired address(es)	<b>← ENTER</b>
MESSAGE TRANSMITTING		

## Deleting Messages

Press **CLEAR  
DEL** to immediately delete a read message, whether it is only highlighted in a list or open while you are reading it.



If you try to delete an unread message from a list, a confirmation message displays. You can select Yes and continue or select No and cancel the deletion.

You can also delete messages as follows:

- Using the Message Options Menu
- Deleting All Read Messages
- Deleting Messages from an InBox

### ***Using the Message Options Menu***

The delete option deletes the current or highlighted message.

Press	To Display	Then Press
SYMBOL MENU / SPACE	Message Options menu	
or	Delete Message	ENTER

See “Working with the Message Options Menu” on page 44 for more information.




## ***Deleting All Read Messages***

Perform this option from the Main Menu. See “Using the Main Menu” on page 23. Messages in your Personal Folder and News/Info Folder are not affected by this function.

Press	To Display	Then Press
 or 	 Delete Messages	
 or 	 Yes	

## ***Deleting Messages from an InBox***

**Caution:** If you select  Delete All Messages, both Read and Unread messages are deleted.



Press	To Display	Then Press
or	Highlight the InBox	
or	Delete Read Messages or Delete All Messages	
or	Yes	

## Messaging Emoticons





Your communicator provides 25 messaging emoticons you can add to all your messages. To insert a smiley face, for example, type :- ) and the pager will display instead. Please refer to the Quick Reference Card at the end of this manual for a list of all the available emoticons and their corresponding triads.



# Advanced Messaging

## Using Info-On-Demand

With Info-On-Demand, you can request information such as News, Sports, and Stocks. This information is sent to your communicator as a MailBox message.

Press	To Display	Then Press
 or 	 Info-On-Demand	 ENTER
 or 	Desired topic	 ENTER
	REQUEST TRANSMITTING	
wait 2-3 minutes	topic icon flashing	
when complete	a message is received or REQUEST FAILED	read message





**Note:** This is a network and subscription-dependent feature. Not available in all areas.

## Setting News AutoPreview

When this feature is turned on and you receive an information service message, pressing any key takes you directly to the News/Info InBox.


### Turning On News AutoPreview

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	 Preferences	↵ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	 News AutoPreview	↵ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	○ Yes	↵ ENTER





















## Alarms

The alarm can be set for a specific time and date, or it can be used as a daily alarm. When an alarm is set,  is displayed on the Status screen. Press any key to silence an alarm.

### Setting the Alarm

Press	To Display	Then Press
 or 	 Preferences	
 or 	 Set Alarm	
 or 		 or  to set time and date fields
 or 	Desired fields and settings See “Setting the Time and Date” on page 27 for more information on setting time and date.	 to save.



**Note:** To set a Daily Alarm, increment the month field past 12 (or day field past 31) to automatically display --/--/--.

## Folders

The MailBox contains your InBox, OutBox and Drafts Folder. In all of these folders you can preview, read, delete, and send these messages. See “Messages” on page 36 for more information.

### Accessing the MailBox Folders

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	✉ MailBox	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	✉ InBox	⬅ ENTER
	or	
	✉ OutBox	
	or	
	📁 Drafts Folder	



### ***Your InBox***

All incoming personal messages are saved into the MailBox InBox.

### ***Your OutBox***


All outgoing personal messages are saved into the MailBox OutBox.

### ***Your Drafts Folder***








All outgoing personal messages that have not been sent are automatically saved into the MailBox Drafts Folder.



## Using Your Personal Folder


Access your Personal Folder from the Main Menu. Use it to save personal messages and protect them from the  Delete Messages option and from automatic deletion when memory is full. In this folder you can preview, read, delete, and send messages. See “Messages” on page 36 for more information.

### *Moving a Message to Your Personal Folder*

Press	To Display	Then Press
 or 	Highlight the message in its original Folder/InBox	
 or 	 Move to Folder	



## Using Your News/Info Folder

Use your News/Info Folder to save News/Info messages and protect them from the  Delete Messages option and from automatic deletion when memory is full. In this folder you can preview, read, delete, and forward messages. See “Messages” on page 36 for more information.

### *Moving a Message to Your News/Info Folder*

Press	To Display	Then Press
 or 	 News/Info Inbox	 ENTER
 or 	Highlight the message	 SYMBOL MENU / SPACE
 or 	 Move to Folder	 ENTER



## InBoxes

There are two inboxes for your communicator: the MailBox and the News/Info InBox.

### Using Your MailBox InBox

Please see “Messages” on page 36 for detailed information on how to use the MailBox.

### Using Your News/Info InBox

When your communicator receives information service messages, they go to the News/Info InBox. To read the messages in this inbox, refer to “Previewing and Reading Messages” from pages 40 through 44. You can also create Sub-InBoxes to organize your messages by topic. You can set the history for each Sub-InBox, move them within the list, and delete them.



## Creating a Sub-InBox

Within the News/Info InBox, you can create up to 16 Sub-InBoxes to organize the incoming messages. A message under 04: \*Sports Update\*, for example, creates the Sub-InBox, ≡ \* Sports Update \*. Once created, the new InBox will receive all the messages that arrive under that topic.

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	i News/Info InBox	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Highlight the message with the same name as the InBox you wish to create	SYMBOL MENU / SPACE
⬆ or ⬇	≡ Create InBox	⬅ ENTER



## Setting the InBox History

After creating a new Sub-InBox, you can specify how many messages it will store for you. This is the InBox History. You can specify up to eight history messages to be stored. If you only wish to see the latest message, set it to "No History." When the Sub-InBox has no history, every new message overwrites the previous one.

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	i News/Info InBox	↵ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Highlight the desired Sub-InBox	SYMBOL MENU / SPACE
⬆ or ⬇	⚙ Set InBox History	↵ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Highlight the desired number	↵ ENTER





## Moving a Sub-InBox

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	i News/Info InBox	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Highlight the desired Sub-InBox	SYMBOL MENU / SPACE
⬆ or ⬇	⬆ Move InBox Up or ⬇ Move InBox Down	⬅ ENTER

## Deleting a Sub-InBox

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	i News/Info InBox	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	Highlight the Sub-InBox to delete	SYMBOL MENU / SPACE
⬆ or ⬇	⌘ Delete InBox	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	○ Yes	⬅ ENTER



**Note:** Deleting a Sub-InBox deletes all messages in it.

## Vital Signs

Vital Signs include the battery status, message memory usage, and information about your communicator.

### Checking Battery Status

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	♥ Vital Signs	↵ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	🔋 Battery nn% E■■■■■■■■ F	↵ ENTER



## Checking Message Memory Usage

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	♥ Vital Signs	↩ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	☎ Message Memory	↩ ENTER
	Percentage of usage for Mail/Pers Box and News/Info Box	

## Displaying Communicator Information

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	♥ Vital Signs	↩ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	? About	↩ ENTER



## MyMail

Motorola MyMail Desktop and Desktop Plus are computer-based software applications that act like a remote control for your personal computer (PC) email, giving you the freedom to manage your messages from any location. Motorola MyMail Desktop and Desktop Plus eliminate the need for separate PC and wireless email addresses. They allow you to compose, read, reply to, and forward email messages as if they were sent from your PC email application. Using one email address, you can receive email messages both in your PC mailbox and on your wireless device.

This feature is dependent on the purchase of a separate software application. Please refer to **[www.motorola.com](http://www.motorola.com)**.

Once you purchase the software and install it on your PC, the following steps activate MyMail in your TalkAbout T900 pager.



## Setting up MyMail

Press	To Display	Then Press
⬆ or ⬇	☰ Preferences	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	⌘ MyMail Options	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	✉ MyMail Address	⬅ ENTER
Keyboard	Type in your PC email address	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	⌘ MyMail Mode	⬅ ENTER
⬆ or ⬇	○ On	⬅ ENTER

MyMail is now accessible from the Main Menu.

**Note:** For more information and access to the MyMail Desktop or Desktop Plus for the T900 User Guide, please go to:  
**[www.motorola.com/mymail](http://www.motorola.com/mymail)**. Under MyMail Desktop or MyMail Desktop Plus, click on *T900 2way*, then scroll down to Support, and click on *View the User Manual*.



## Use and Care



Clean with a soft cloth dampened with soap and water.



Do not immerse in water.



Do not use alcohol or other cleaning solutions.



Do not expose to excessive heat...



... or extreme shock...



... or moisture.



## Questions?

### USA

1-800-548-9954

1-800-793-7834 (TTY) Text Telephone

[www.motorola.com](http://www.motorola.com)

### UK

0990-168556

## FCC Compliance

This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in

accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation.

If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.



## Limited Warranty

Limited Warranty for Motorola Personal Communications Products and Accessories Purchased in the United States and Canada

### I. What this Warranty Covers

Defects in materials and workmanship in the following new “**Products**” manufactured, sold or certified by Motorola, with which this limited warranty is included in/on the package:

(a) wireless cellular telephones, pagers and two-way radios that operate via “Personal Radio Service” (such as Family Radio Service and General Mobile Radio Service), together with software imbedded in any of these products, and (b) subject to the following exceptions, accessories or software sold for use with these products.

- Battery Exception. This limited warranty extends only to batteries in which the fully-charged capacity falls below 80% of rated capacity and batteries that leak;

- Software Exceptions. This limited warranty extends only physical defects in the media (such as CD-ROM) that tangibly embodies each copy of any software sold and/or certified by Motorola for use with Products. Software that is not tangibly embodied in media and that is purchased separately from Products (such as software that is downloaded from the internet) comes “**as is**” and **without warranty**.

## II. What the Period of Coverage Is

Subject to the following exceptions, one year from the date the Products are purchased by the first end-user:

- 90-Day Warranty Exception. The warranty is for 90 days for: (a) any software tangibly embodied in media or (b) any accessories for two-way radios that are covered by this warranty, as described in Section I, above.
- Limited Lifetime Warranty Exception. The warranty is a limited lifetime warranty for the lifetime of ownership by the first end-user of the following products, **only**: (a) decorative

covers, including bezel, PhoneWrap™ or case (any model); and (b) ear buds and boom headsets that transmit mono sound through a wire connection (this does **not** include ear buds or boom headsets that either transmit stereo sound or that are wireless, or both).

- Repair / Replacement Exception. The warranty is for the balance of the original warranty or for 90 days from the date returned and delivered to the first end-user, whichever is longer.

### **III. Who is Covered**

This warranty extends to you only if you are the first end-user purchaser.

### **IV. What We Will Do to Correct Warranty Problems**

At no charge to you, we have the option to repair or replace the Products that do not conform to the warranty, or to refund the

Products' purchase price. We may use functionally equivalent reconditioned/refurbished/pre-owned or new Products or parts. No software updates are provided.

## **V. How to Get Warranty Service**

### **PLEASE CALL US – DO NOT SHIP:**

#### **USA**

**Cellular 1-800-331-6456**

**Paging 1-800-548-9954**

**FRS Radios 1-800-353-2729**

**TTY (Text Telephone)**

**1-888-390-6456**

#### **Canada**

**All Products 1-800-461-4575**

**TTY (Text Telephone)**

**1-888-390-6456**

Accessories and software -- call the number designated for the product with which they are used.

You will receive instructions on how to ship the Products to Motorola or our designated resource. If instructed to ship the Products, you must ship them with freight, duties and insurance

prepaid. Regardless of where you are instructed to return the Products, you must include: (a) a copy of your receipt, bill of sale or other comparable proof of purchase; (b) a written description of the problem; (c) the name of your service provider (if this Product requires subscription service); (d) the name and location of the installation facility (if applicable) and, most importantly; (e) your address and telephone number. If requested, you must also return all detachable parts such as antennas, batteries and chargers. **RETAIN YOUR ORIGINAL PROOF OF PURCHASE.** For Products we ask you ship to us, we will ship repaired or replacement Products at our expense for the freight and insurance, but at your expense for any duties. If additional information is needed, please contact us at the telephone number listed above.

## **VI. What this Warranty Does Not Cover**

- Products that are operated in combination with ancillary or peripheral equipment or software not furnished or otherwise

certified by Motorola for use with the Products (“ancillary equipment”), or any damage to the Products or ancillary equipment as a result of such use. Among other things, “ancillary equipment” includes batteries, chargers, adaptors, and power supplies not manufactured or supplied by Motorola. Any of these voids the warranty.

- Someone other than Motorola (or its authorized service centers) tests, adjusts, installs, maintains, alters, modifies or services the Products in any way. Any of these voids the warranty.
- Rechargeable batteries that: (a) are charged by other than the Motorola-approved battery charger specified for charging such batteries; (b) have any broken seals or show evidence of tampering; (c) are used in equipment other than the Product for which they are specified; or (d) are charged and stored at temperatures greater than 60 degrees centigrade. Any of these voids the warranty.

- Products that have: (a) serial numbers or date tags that have been removed, altered or obliterated; (b) board serial numbers that do not match each other, or board serial numbers that do not match the housing; or (c) nonconforming or non-Motorola housings or parts. Any of these voids the warranty.
- Defects or damage that result from: (a) use of the Products in a manner that is not normal or customary; (b) improper operation or misuse; (c) accident or neglect such as dropping the Products onto hard surfaces; (d) contact with water, rain, extreme humidity or heavy perspiration; (e) contact with sand, dirt or the like; or (f) contact with extreme heat, or spills of food or liquid.
- Physical damage to the surface of the Products, including scratches, cracks or other damage to a display screen, lens or other externally exposed parts.

- Failure of Products that is due primarily to any communication service or signal you may subscribe to or use with the Products.
- Coil cords that are stretched or that have any broken modular tabs.
- Leased Products.

Flat-rate repair rates may apply to Products not covered by this warranty. To obtain information about Products needing repairs that are not covered by this warranty, please call the telephone number previously listed. We will provide information on repair availability, rates, methods of payment, where to send the Products, etc.

## **VII. Some Other Limitations**

This is Motorola's complete warranty for the Products, and states your exclusive remedies. This warranty is given in lieu of all other



express warranties. Implied warranties, including without limitation, the implied warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, are given only if specifically required by applicable law. Otherwise, they are specifically excluded.

No warranty is made as to coverage, availability, or grade of service provided by the Products, whether through a service provider or otherwise.

No warranty is made that the software will meet your requirements or will work in combination with any hardware or applications software products provided by third parties, that the operation of the software products will be uninterrupted or error free, or that all defects in the software products will be corrected.

In no event shall Motorola be liable, whether in contract or tort (including negligence) for damages in excess of the purchase price of the Product, or for any indirect, incidental, special or consequential damages of any kind, or loss of revenue or profits, loss of business, loss of information or data, or other financial

loss arising out of or in connection with the ability or inability to use the Products, to the full extent these damages may be disclaimed by law.

## **VIII. Patent and Software Provisions**

At Motorola's expense, we will defend you, and pay costs and damages that may be finally awarded against you, to the extent that a lawsuit is based on a claim that the Products directly infringe a United States patent. Our obligation is conditioned on: (a) you notifying us promptly in writing when you receive notice of the claim; (b) you giving us sole control of the defense of the suit and all negotiations for its settlement or compromise; and (c) should the Products become, or in Motorola's opinion be likely to become, the subject of a claim of infringement of a United States patent, you permit us, at our option and expense, either to: procure for you the right to continue using the Products; replace or modify them so that they become non-infringing; or grant you a credit for such Products, as depreciated, and accept their

return. The depreciation will be an equal amount per year over the lifetime of the Products, as established by Motorola.

Motorola will have no liability to you with respect to any claim of patent infringement that is based upon the combination of the Products or parts furnished under this limited warranty with ancillary equipment, as defined in VI., above.

**This is Motorola's entire liability with respect to infringement of patents by the Products.**

## **IX. State Law and Other Jurisdiction Rights**

Some states and other jurisdictions do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, or limitation on the length of an implied warranty, so the above limitations or exclusions may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights, which vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction.

To obtain information on Motorola Personal Communications Products, including warranty service, accessories and optional Extended Warranties on selected Products, please call:

**USA**

**Cellular 1-800-331-6456**

**Paging 1-800-548-9954**

**FRS Radios 1-800-353-2729**

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**All Products 1-800-461-4575**

**TTY (Text Telephone)**

**1-888-390-6456**

Accessories and software -- call the telephone number designated above for the product with which they are used.

**DO NOT SHIP PRODUCTS TO THESE ADDRESSES –  
INSTEAD PLEASE CALL.**

To correspond with Motorola about the Products, please write us at <http://www.motorola.com> or at:

In the U.S.A.:

Motorola, Inc.

600 North U.S. Highway 45

Libertyville, IL 60048

In Canada:

Motorola Canada Limited

5875 Whittle Road

Mississauga, ON L4Z 2H4

## **Export Law and Patents**

### ***Export Law Assurances***

This product is controlled under the export regulations of the United States of America and Canada. The Governments of the United States of America and Canada may restrict the exportation or re-exportation of this product to certain destinations. For further information contact the U.S. Department of Commerce or the Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

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## Personal Numbers

Use the spaces provided below to write down your Personal Interactive Communicator's wireless address, and the number of your service provider. Additional spaces have been provided to write down the wireless address, pager number, or e-mail address of your family and friends.

**Service Provider**

**Wireless Address**

**Family and Friends**

**Wireless Address/Pager Number**

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# T900 Quick Reference Card

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	MailBox
	News/Info InBox
	Send Message
	Info-On-Demand
	Address Book
	Personal Folder/Move
	Message to Folder
	News/Info Folder
	Preferences
	Vital Signs
	Power Off
	Message Has Been Read
	Message Reply
	Reply in Progress











	MailBox Alert, News/Info Alert
	Alarm/Set Alarm
	Set Time & Date
	Alert Volume/Key Click, Reminder Alert
	Transmitter Off
	Next/Higer Value
	Preceding/Lower Value
	Previous Item
	Next Item
	Move InBox Up
	Move InBox Down
	Battery Gauge
	Message Memory

	Delete Message/InBox
	Successful Reply/Send
	Unsuccessful Reply/Send
	Message Contains Custom Reply Choices
	InBox
	InBox - Messages Read
	News/Info InBox
	InBox Alert Selected
	Out of Range
	Low Battery
	Audible Alert/Alarm
	Vibrate Alert/Quiet Mode
	Private Time
	Signature

	About Screen
	Back/Escape
	Yes/On
	No/Off
	News AutoPreview
	Set InBox History
	Next Message
	CAPS (not locked)
	CAPS Lock On
	Alt (not locked)
	Alt Lock On

**Note:** A flashing icon denotes unread messages or a function in process.

# Messaging Emoticons

<i>Picture</i>	<i>Triad</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Picture</i>	<i>Triad</i>	<i>Description</i>
	: - )	Smiley		8 < )	Teddy
	; - )	Wink		= : I	Magic
	B - )	Cool		( O )	Love
	: - P	Pffrt...		Y o !	Yo!
	: - (	Sad		= = b	Well Done!
	: - /	Grrr...		o < I	Party!
	iii	Hooray!		( I )	Ball
	@ > -	Flowers		> * <	Boom!
	c I I	Drink		% - I	Deadly
	( I I	Lunch		: < *	Meow!
	: ; ;	Cloudy		: > #	Woof!
	> o <	Sunny		( X )	Broken
	- Y -	Holidays	<b>Note:</b> See "ALT-mode Functions" on page 19 when using special symbols, like the semi-colon.		