# How To Turn OFF the WIRES Tones on Yaesu HTs & Radios

	VX-3R	VX-6R & VX-7R	VX-170 & VX-177	FT-60 & FT-60R	FT-1802 & FT- 1900		FT-8800 & FT- 8900
1. Activate	Press & hold the	Press the <b>F/M</b> key	Press the <b>F/M</b> key	Press the <b>F/M</b> key	Press & hold the	Press & hold the	Press the (center)
the SET	TXPO key for 1	followed by the 0	followed by the 0	followed by the 0	MHz/Set key for 1	MHz/Set key for 1	Set key
menus	second	key	key	key	second	second	momentarily
2. Select	Rotate the Dial	Rotate the Dial	Rotate the Dial	Rotate the Dial	Rotate the Dial	Rotate the Dial	Rotate the Main
the WIRES	knob to select 26	knob to select 31	knob to select 22 "I	knob to select 21 "I	knob to select 23	knob to select 13	band Dial knob to
submenu	"DT A/M"		NET"	NET"	"INT MD"		select 17 "INET"
3. Change the WIRES	Press the <b>TXPO</b> kev	Press the <b>0</b> key	Press the <b>F/M</b> key	1	Press the <b>MHz/Set</b> key momentarily	I and the second	Press the Main band <b>Dial</b> knob
setting	,	Rotate the Dial	Rotate the Dial	Rotate the Dial			
	Rotate the Dial	knob to select	knob to select	knob to select	Rotate the Dial	Rotate the Dial	Rotate the Main
	knob to select " <b>MANUAL</b> "	"MANUAL"	"INT.MEM"	"INT.MEM"	knob to select		band Dial knob to select " <b>INT.MEM</b> "
	_	Press the <b>0</b> key	Press the <b>F/M</b> key	Press the <b>F/M</b> key			
	Press the <b>TXPO</b> key				Press & hold the MHz/Set key for 1 second	Press the <b>MHz/Set</b> key momentarily	Press the Main band <b>Dial</b> knob
	Rotate the Dial knob to select 28 "INT SEL"	Rotate the Dial knob to select 32 "INT SET"	Rotate the Dial knob to select 24 "INT MR"	Rotate the Dial knob to select 23 "INT MR"		"DT MEM"	Rotate the Main band Dial knob to select 15 " <b>DTMF</b> <b>W</b> "
blank memory	Press the <b>TXPO</b> key  Rotate the Dial knob to select a memory that shows six dots (******)  Press the <b>TXPO</b> key	knob to select a memory that shows six dots (•••••) Press the <b>0</b> key	Rotate the Dial knob to select a memory that shows six dots (******)  Press the <b>F/M</b> key	Rotate the Dial knob to select a memory that shows six dots (******)  Press the <b>F/M</b> key	of display  While pressing the WIRES button, rotate the Dial Knob to select F9  Make sure that display shows F9 only	Rotate the Main band Dial knob to select a memory  Press <b>D/MR</b> to make sure that it is <b>blank</b>	band <b>Dial</b> knob momentarily  Rotate the Main band Dial knob to select a memory that shows six dots (••••••)  Press the <b>Set</b> key
6. Exit Menus	Finally, press <b>PT</b>	I Γ to exit menus an	d return to normal	operation. (same	,		

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## Here is how it works!

#### The Problem:

The WIRES feature included in Yaesu radios and HTs enables them to transmit (a) a preset tone when the PTT is pressed or (b) a series of preset DTMF tones during transmission. By default the WIRES is set up to transmit a preset (1750Hz) tone. This creates a problem with radios and repeaters which are not compatible with WIRES. It results in silencing the first several seconds of the transmission.

### The Solution:

Some Yaesu radios provide the option to turn OFF the WIRES feature. For those that don't, simply changing the radio configuration to send "DTMF tones" instead of the WIRES tone and leaving the DTMF memory blank, as in the described table above, can avoid the WIRES problem. **No tones, end of story!** 

#### **DTMF Tones for Advanced Users:**

Almost all amateur radios have the capability to send DTMF tones over-the-air. This can be utilized in several ways:

- to activate nodes via a Echo Link or IRLP enabled repeaters
- to send preset DTMF codes for remote repeater control or status check, for example, to get a the signal report from N6NFI repeater
- as a "DTMF Dialer" in legacy radio phone patch systems

Hope this helps.

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