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Stay Alert Feature

The Stay Alert Feature is designed to test a driver's alertness. To engage (when the unit is not alarming) :
 • Press and hold the City button for approximately 2 seconds. Release the button during or immediately after the alert is given.

DISPLAY SHOWS: **RU ALERT**

Within 30-60 seconds, two beeps are sounded; to show alertness, the driver must press either the City, Menu, or Quiet buttons within 3-5 seconds. If a button is pressed within 3-5 seconds, the cycle is repeated. If a button is not pressed within 3-5 seconds, an alarm sounds. DISPLAY SHOWS: **GET REST**

• Press the Dark button to exit the Stay Alert feature.

WARNING!!! Stay Alert is NOT intended as a substitute for adequate rest. You should NOT operate a vehicle if you are drowsy. During extended periods of vehicle operation, you should take frequent breaks. Improper reliance on the Stay Alert feature may result in vehicle damage, personal injury or death.

Alert Priority

When two or more signals are received at the same time, the alert priority is:

1. Laser 2. Speed Radar 3. Safety Warning System™

EXAMPLE: If X band is alerting, then suddenly a laser signal is detected, the laser warning will override the X band alert.

Safety Warning System™

In communities where transmitters are located, the Safety Warning System™ provides over 60 text messages. When SWS™ is detected the audio alert is geiger counter-like.

Safety Warning System Text Message

Example: Poor - Road - Surface.

NOTE: Not all areas have Safety Warning System™ transmitters.

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Laser Tips

If you are the targeted vehicle, a laser gun can often determine your speed within a few seconds after you receive an alert. In this situation, there is generally no time to safely adjust your speed. However, if you are traveling near or behind the targeted vehicle and receive an alert, response time should be sufficient. Any laser alert, regardless of duration, requires immediate action.

Radar Facts

A radar gun operates by transmitting radio waves at certain frequencies which reflect off objects and are picked up by the radar gun's receiving section. When a radar beam reflects off a moving target, a measurable frequency shift occurs. The radar unit converts this shift into miles per hour to determine your vehicle's speed. Currently, the FCC (Federal Communications Commission) permits operation of traffic radar guns at X Band (10.500 - 10.550 GHz), K Band (24.050 - 24.250 GHz), and Ka Band (33.400 - 36.000 GHz).

NOTE: A radar detector will only alarm if an officer is transmitting on any one of the above radar bands.

Other Speed Detection Systems

Several techniques other than radar or laser are used to measure vehicle speeds. When these methods are being used, no detector can provide a warning. These techniques include:

- **Pacing** - A patrol car drives behind you and matches your driving speed.
- **Vascar/Aircraft** - The police measure the time it takes your vehicle to travel a known distance.

NOTE: Units that cannot be repaired will be replaced with the

Intellicord® Ready

The optional INTELLICORD® power cable allows the user to remotely control two of the following detector features (Power On/Off, City Modes, Dim/Dark, Mark Waypoint and Quiet/Auto Quiet) with a press of a button located on the power cable's plug. See option mode for selecting the functions to work with the INTELLICORD®.

VG-2 Mode

See Option Select Mode to turn this feature on/off. When a VG-2 signal is detected, the VG-2 alert is sounded and the display flashes "VG-2". After 3 seconds the audio is canceled and the display no longer flashes. This cycle is repeated if the VG-2 signal is detected again. **During the period a VG-2 signal is detected, a radar signal cannot be detected.** However, because the VG-2 alert has confirmed that a patrol car is nearby, you are already aware of the potential for speed monitoring and can adjust your speed accordingly. Laser detection is not affected while a VG-2 signal is detected.

Reset Features

All user features can be reset to factory settings.

- Unplug the Power Cord from the unit.
- Press and hold the Power and Quiet buttons.
- Plug the Power Cord into the unit.
- Wait for 2 beeps.
- Release the Power and Quiet buttons.

Unit is now reset to the following features and settings.

Default factory settings are:

1. S1: (For Intellicord®) Quiet feature
2. S2: (For Intellicord®) Power ON or OFF
3. ADIM: ON (Auto Dim ON)
4. HIGHWAY Mode
5. Dim/Dark Mode to full illumination of display.
6. Auto Quiet Mode OFF
7. SWS™ OFF
8. Vehicle Battery Saver OFF

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Radar Detector Detectors: VG-2, Spectre

The Interceptor VG-2 or simply VG-2, is one type of microwave receiver used by Police to detect signals radiated by the local oscillator of a radar detector. Because its purpose is to identify persons driving with radar detectors, these devices are known as a "radar detector detector" (RDD).

An RDD is the primary tool used by the police to identify radar detector equipped vehicles. If caught in a state or country where detectors are illegal, drivers risk losing their radar detector and receiving a fine. In addition, instant-on radar is almost always used in combination with an RDD, leaving unsuspecting motorists vulnerable to receive two tickets; one potential for speeding, and the other for possession of a detector. Note: The newest tool Police have to detect radar detectors is called Spectre. Spectre can detect the majority of undetectable (VG-2) laser/radar detectors on the market.

It is the responsibility of the individual radar detector user to know and understand the laws in your area regarding the legality of the use of radar detectors.

WARRANTY INFORMATION

Consumer Warranty

This Whistler Laser-Radar detector is warranted to the original purchaser for a period of one year from the date of original purchase against all defects in materials and workmanship. This limited warranty is void if the unit is abused, modified, installed improperly, or if the housing and/or serial numbers have been removed. There are no express warranties covering this product other than those set forth in this warranty. All express or implied warranties for this product are limited to the above time. Whistler is not liable for damages arising from the use, misuse, or operation of this product.

Units without serial numbers are not covered under warranty.

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Full Power Up sequence

10. Default TONE 3
11. All Bands ON
12. LASER NORM
13. All Laser Windows ON
14. VG-2 OFF
15. POP OFF
16. Voice® EN
17. LED Periscopes to BLNK
18. X/K Filter 1
19. Ka Filter 1
20. TFSR OFF
21. FDSR OFF

Whistler has two features that will assist the driving enthusiast to further identify threats from laser and Ka band radar guns.

Ka RSID (Ka Radar Signal IDentifier) Identify the difference between the likelihood of a Ka threat vs. the likelihood of a Ka false from another source (possible radar detector). Ka RSID feature will educate you to the common Ka speed radar guns by displaying the nominal police radar frequencies of 33.8GHz / 34.0GHz / 34.3GHz / 34.7GHz / 35.5GHz. Ka alerts that do not fall into the common Ka speed radar windows will be reported only as Ka.

Note: This product is not a frequency counter. The unit will categorize the received Ka signal and select the appropriate information. Treat every Ka alert with caution.

LSID (Laser Signal IDentifier) Identify the Laser gun's pulse rate or PPS (Pulses Per Second) that is transmitted by the speed laser

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same or similar model. Replacement unit's warranty will be based on the original unit's purchase date.

Service Under Warranty

During the warranty period, defective units will be repaired without charge to the purchaser when returned with a dated store receipt to the address below. Units returned without a dated store receipt will be handled as described in section "Service Out-Of-Warranty."

Due to the specialized equipment necessary for testing a Laser-Radar receiver, there are no authorized service stations for Whistler brand detectors other than Whistler.

When returning a unit for service, please follow these instructions:

1. Ship the unit in the original carton or in a suitable sturdy equivalent, fully insured, with return receipt requested to:

Whistler Repair Dept.
1412 South 1st St.
Rogers, AR 72756

Please allow 3 weeks turnaround time.

IMPORTANT: Whistler will not assume responsibility for loss or damage incurred in shipping. Therefore, please ship your unit insured with return receipt requested. **CODs will not be accepted!**

2. Include with your unit the following information, clearly printed:

- Your name and street address (for shipping via UPS), a daytime telephone number and an email address, if applicable.
- A detailed description of the problem (e.g., "Unit performs self-test but does not respond to radar").
- A copy of your dated store receipt or bill of sale.

3. Be certain your unit is returned with its serial number. For reference, please write your unit's serial number in the space provided in the accessories section this guide.

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gun. LSID may also be used to identify other forms of laser sources such as LACC (Laser Assisted Cruise Control) systems found in some high end vehicles. If the Laser PPS information displayed is due to another source such as local airports or LACC, LSID allows you to Lock Out this rate from giving you the continuous audio alert during this and any new encounter of the same rate. To Lock Out a PPS, press the Quiet button during the Laser alert. This will place an * on the screen beside the PPS rate and Lock Out this signature ID. Any new encounter with the same Laser Signature ID will provide the display information and two quick beeps.

NOTE: Common Laser PPS rates used in the USA are 100 / 125 / 130 / 200 / 238 / 380Hz. Other Laser PPS rates used outside the USA include 600Hz.

Caution: Do not lock out a PPS rate if it is close to known speed laser guns.

POP™ MODE ALERTS

POP™ Mode is a feature on some radar guns operating on K and Ka bands. When the gun is in POP™ Mode and activated, a brief burst of energy, less than 1/15 of a second, is transmitted and the vehicle's speed is quickly acquired. A detector without POP™ Mode detection capability cannot respond to this brief transmitted.

Because POP™ Mode radar utilizes the same K or Ka band frequencies, POP™ Mode Alerts will be displayed as regular radar alerts.

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IMPORTANT: To validate that your unit is within the warranty period, make sure you keep a copy of your dated store receipt. You may register your warranty online at www.whistlergroup.com, however, for warranty verification purposes, a copy of your dated store receipt must accompany any unit sent in for warranty work.

Service Out-Of-Warranty

Units will be repaired at "out-of-warranty" service rates when:

- The unit's original warranty has expired.
- A dated store receipt is not supplied.
- The unit has been returned without its serial number.
- The unit has been abused, modified, installed improperly, or had its housing removed.

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Please allow 3 weeks turnaround time.

IMPORTANT: When returning your unit for service, be certain to include a daytime telephone number and an email address (if applicable).

Customer Service

If you have questions concerning the operation of your Whistler detector, or require service during or after the warranty period, please call Customer Service at:

1-800-531-0004

Representatives are available to answer your questions

Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (CT) or visit the

FAQ at

www.whistlergroup.com.

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Speed Radar Audio/Visual Alerts

When X, K or Ka is detected, the band ID and signal strength are displayed. The audio alert is continuous and has a geiger counter-like pattern. The faster the beep, the closer or stronger the radar source.

Laser Audio/Visual Alerts

When a laser signal is detected the audio alert is continuous for a minimum of 3 seconds.

- The Displays Shows: **LASER**

Pulse Protection®

Pulse (or instant-on) radar is more difficult to detect than conventional radar because it remains "off" until activated to measure the speed of a targeted vehicle.

Caution:

Do not lock out a PPS rate if it is close to known speed laser guns.

When a pulse type transmission is detected, your Whistler detector sounds an urgent 3-second audio warning and the display shows: **'PULSE'**

After the 3-second pulse alert, the standard alert pattern continues for as long as the signal is present.

It is important to respond promptly to a pulse alert, since warning time may be minimal.

SPECIFICATIONS

Laser Wavelength:

905 ± 50 nanometers (nm)

Radar Frequencies:

10.500 - 10.550 GHz (X Band)

24.050 - 24.250 GHz (K Band)

33.400 - 36.000 GHz (Ka Superwideband)

Operating Temperature Range:

-10° C to +70° C (+14° F to +158° F)

Power Requirements:

Operational 12 to 15 volts DC, 250mA nominal
Vehicle Battery Saver, 30mA nominal

Patents can be viewed here:

www.whistlergroup.com/pat

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SWS™ is a trademark of Safety Warning System L.C.

Specifications are subject to change without notice.

TROUBLESHOOTING

Your Whistler detector is expertly engineered and designed to exacting quality standards to provide you with reliable, trouble-free operation. If your unit has been correctly installed following the guidelines in this guide, but is not operating optimally, please refer to the troubleshooting guide below.

PROBLEM: Unit does not turn on.

- Check fuse in plug; replace if necessary with a 2 amp, 3AG type.
- Check fuse for lighter socket; replace if necessary.
- Make sure lighter socket is clean.

PROBLEM: Unit alarms when vehicle hits bumps.

- Check for loose lighter socket; tighten and clean.
- Check connections at both ends of the power cord. Substitute another cord to determine if the cord is defective. Return defective cord to the factory.

PROBLEM: Low or no audio.

- Cancel Auto Quiet Mode or City Mode.
- Check audio level setting.

If difficulties occur which cannot be solved by information in this Troubleshooting Guide, please call Whistler Customer Service at 1-800-531-0004 or visit our FAQ page at www.whistlergroup.com, before returning your unit for service.

(1) this device may not cause harmful interference, (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Important: FCC requirements state that changes or modifications not expressly approved by Whistler could void the user's authority to operate the equipment.

ACCESSORIES

These and other accessories can be ordered directly from Whistler by calling 1-800-531-0004 or visiting our online store at www.whistlergroup.com.

Order #	Description	Price

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If you have questions concerning the operation of this Whistler product please call:

Customer Service
1-800-531-0004

Monday - Friday • 8:00 am - 5:00 pm CT
or visit our website
www.whistlergroup.com

Please keep the receipt in a safe place. You may register your product online at www.whistlergroup.com. For warranty verification purposes, a copy of your dated store receipt must still accompany any unit sent in for warranty work. If the unit is returned without a dated store receipt, an out-of-warranty service charge applies. Note: Your warranty period begins at the time of purchase. The warranty is validated only by the dated store receipt! Please record the serial number of the unit in the space provided in the accessories section of the guide.

To fully acquaint yourself with the operation of your Whistler detector and to better understand the differences between detecting radar, laser, and safety radar signals, we recommend reading this entire guide or visiting our FAQ. page on our website www.whistlergroup.com

Enjoy your Whistler detector and please drive safely.

Sincerely,
The Whistler Group, Inc.

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Power On Self Test & Volume

To turn the unit ON or OFF, gently press the center of the Power/Volume button into the side of the unit. Each time your Whistler detector is turned on, an automatic self-test sequence confirms that the speaker and visual displays are functional.

Audio Level Adjustment

To change the audio level:

- Move Power/Volume button back to increase audio level.
- Move Power/Volume button forward to decrease audio level. As audio level is adjusted, beeps are provided and the display indicates volume level.

Auto Quiet Mode

Auto Quiet mode reduces the selected audio level to level (1) approximately 5 seconds after a radar or safety warning system™ signal is detected. The alert for any new signal within 20 seconds will resume at level (1). Auto Quiet mode does not affect laser alerts.

- Press Quiet (before a signal is detected) to engage Auto Quiet mode.
- Once the Auto Quiet mode is engaged, you may cancel the audio alarm by pressing Quiet.
- Press Quiet (when the unit is not alarming) to cancel Auto Quiet mode.

Quiet Mode
Quiet mode cancels audio during an alert and any new alert within 20 seconds. After 20 seconds of no radar signal detected, the audio alerts are restored.

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- Press Quiet to cancel the audio.
- Press Quiet a second time during an alert to restore the standard audio alert pattern.

City/City 1/City 2 Mode

Whistler's Three Stage City Mode is designed to reduce the annoyance of automatic door openers, intrusion alarms and other devices which share frequencies with police radar. Generally, X band is used for these devices.

- Press City button to cancel Highway Mode and engage City Mode.
- Press City button again to enter City 1 Mode.
- Press City button again to enter City 2 Mode.
- Press City button a fourth time to cancel City 2 Mode and returns the unit to Highway Mode.

In City Mode, weak speed/safety warning system signals give an initial alarm of two beeps, and then remains quiet unless the signal becomes very strong. When the signal strength increases, two additional beeps are provided. City 1 and City 2 Modes operate the same as Highway Mode, but in City 1 Mode, only the X band sensitivity is lowered. In City 2 Mode, X-band is not detected.

CAUTION: Some towns/small cities may still be using X band radar. City Modes do not change the audio alert for laser.

Highway Mode

Highway mode provides full audio warnings any time radar (X, K, Ka, Safety Warning System) or laser signals are detected, and is recommended for open road driving.

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Alert Periscopes

Whistler's Alert Periscopes provide an added attention getting visual alert. The two extra LEDs flash on and off when the unit alarms to provide a unique visual alert. This alert can be programmed, through the Option Select Mode to: 1. flash for all alarms, 2. remain on, or 3. turn LEDs off completely.

Dim/Dark Mode

Dim/Dark Mode reduces the illumination of the display.

- Press the Dark button to reduce illumination to a Dim setting.
- Press the Dark button a second time engages Dark Mode. The display illumination is further reduced.

Dim or Dark Mode can be engaged during an alert. In Dark Mode, the display goes dark for as long as a signal is being detected and for 20 seconds after, then the display returns to the dimmer setting.

- Press the Dark button a third time to restore full illumination to the display.

Selectable Vehicle Battery Saver Mode

The Vehicle Battery Saver Mode when selected automatically shuts off the detector within 3 hours.

The timer is reset if the detector is turned off, unplugged or any button is pressed before the timer has expired. The detector will alert you with an audible and visual warning before it shuts off. During this warning, you can momentarily reset the timer by pressing any button. If the unit has automatically turned off, press the Power button to turn the unit back on. Refer to "Option Select Mode" for instructions for changing the battery saver mode feature.

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Integrated Real Voice®

When selected, Real Voice® will be used to articulate the following:

- Band Identification
- Safety Warning System messages
- Feature Selection

NOTE: In certain cases, the voice message does not replicate the text message.

Teach/Tutorial Mode

Provides simulated alerts for each type of signal.

- Press City and Quiet buttons simultaneously
- Display Shows:

• Press Dark button to exit.
(TEACH)

Setting Saver

Setting Saver stores your personalized settings so that when the detector is turned off and then on again, you do not have to re-enter them.

Feature Engaged Confirmation

Each time a button is pressed, one beep confirms feature "on", two beeps confirm feature "off".

Auto Dim

The Auto Dim feature automatically switches the illumination of the text display between the bright and dim settings according to varying light conditions so that the text display will always be easy to read. To manually override the auto dim feature, use the dark button on the unit. Enter Option Select Mode to turn off the auto dim feature.

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X/K and Ka Filter Modes

There are times when a radar detector in another vehicle, can emit a frequency which can cause your detector to falsely alert. These Filter Modes allow you to select the level needed for your area to minimize the occurrences of these false alerts. X/K and Ka Filter Mode factory default settings should provide adequate filtering for most conditions.

If you experience excessive alerts due to radar detectors in other vehicles, increase the Filter level for the band received. See Option Selection Mode to change the filter settings.

Ka Max Mode

Ka Max Mode provides enhanced Ka sensitivity - increased protection. This mode can be selected with or without RSID. See Option Select Mode for changing Ka options.

Field Disturbance Sensor Rejection (FDSR) Traffic Flow Sensor Rejection (TFSR)

Recently many new products that operate on police radar frequencies have been causing nuisance alerts to radar detectors. These radar based sensors are installed alongside the Highway and more recently on vehicles used as lane change assist / blind spot detectors / collision avoidance systems. **TFSR** when turned ON is designed to eliminate alerts from specific Traffic Flow sensors. **FDSR** when turned ON is designed to identify all radar based collision avoidance systems that operate within the same band as police radar and provide a brief less intrusive alert to keep you informed and aware.

A signal strength indicator will help determine your proximity to the source without the continued annoyance of audio. **We suggest you turn FDSR ON if you are experiencing excessive random false alerts when behind select vehicles.**

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Option Select Mode

Press the Menu button to enter Option Select Mode. Each press of the Menu button changes to the next selectable feature. The Dark (D) button and the Quiet (Q) button turns the feature ON/OFF or Blinking for example. A button must be pressed within 20 seconds or Option Select Mode will automatically be exited.

NOTE: Press and hold Menu button to exit Option Select Mode.

Feature	Display Shows	To Change D=Dark / Q=Quiet	Option
QUIET	S1: Quiet	D or Q to select	Remote Control of Dim, City, Quiet and Power Functions
POWER	S2: Power	D or Q to Select	Remote Control of Dim, City, Quiet and Power Functions
AUTO DIM	ADIM: ON	D = ON Q = OFF	Auto Dim ON (default) Auto Dim OFF
TONE	TONE 3	D or Q to select	Tone 1, 2, 3 (3 Different Tone Patterns)
TEST	TEST ON	D = ON Q = OFF	X, K, Ka Audio Tones One Beep During Power Up
X-BAND	X - ON	D = ON Q = OFF	X Band = ON (Default) X Band OFF
K-BAND	K - ON	D = ON Q = OFF	K Band = ON (Default) K Band OFF
Ka BAND	Ka-MaxID	D or Q to Select	Ka Band (RSID, NORM, OFF, MAX, MAXID)
LASER	LSR NORM	D or Q to Select	LASER (NORM, OFF, LSID)
LASER AREA 1	.02 - .95Y	D or Q to Select	Laser Area 1 = ON (Default) Laser Area 1 = OFF

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Laser Area 2

2.6 - 3.2Y
D or Q to Select
Laser Area 2 = ON (Default)
Laser Area 2 = OFF

Laser Area 3

3.8 - 4.2Y
D or Q to Select
Laser Area 3 = ON (Default)
Laser Area 3 = OFF

VG-2

VG-2 = ON
VG-2 = OFF (Default)

SWS™

SWS™ OFF
D = ON
Q = OFF
SWS™ = ON
SWS™ = OFF (Default)

VOICE

VOICE EN (English, default)
VOICE SP (Spanish)
Voice N = OFF

POP™

POP™ OFF
D = ON
Q = OFF
POP™ = ON
POP™ = OFF (Default)

BATTERY SAVER

B. SVR OFF
D = ON
Q = OFF
Battery Saver = ON
Battery Saver = OFF (Default)

XK FILTER

XK Fltr1
D or Q to Select
Filter 1 (default)
Filter 2, Filter 3, Filter 0

Ka FILTER

Ka Fltr1
D or Q to select
Filter 1 (default)
Filter 2, Filter 3, Filter 0

ALERT PERISCOPES

LEDBLINK
D or Q to select
Alert Periscopes (ON, OFF or Blinking)

TFSR

TFSR OFF
D = ON
Q = OFF
TFSR = ON
TFSR = OFF (default)

FDSR

FDSR OFF
D = ON
Q = OFF
Both D & Q
FDSR = ON
FDSR = OFF (default)
FDSR = FDSR, no Audio

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