

E BUTTON USE

ALMR radios are software defined and can be programmed to operate in many different ways. The following information only addresses configuration. Consult with your radio programmer about specific help on your radio features and capabilities.



1. Activation: Press the **EMERGENCY** button for approximately one half a second.
2. What does it do to the radio?
 - a. The radio will chirp three times and/or display **EMERGENCY**.
 - b. When activated, the radio may announce the emergency on the selected talkgroup, or it may change to another talkgroup before announcing the alarm.
 - c. On the IC and Regional Zones (A-F), the transmission is redirected to the HAIL channels on those zones.

NOTE: ALMR users will defer to “Emergency Traffic” when identified as such, until normal traffic can be resumed.

3. What happens to the System?
 - a. The ALMR site that the radio is affiliated with will lock a channel for the **EMERGENCY** talk group.
 - b. The System will assign the highest priority to the radio. The System will not allow the radio to talk over another user.
 - c. All consoles that have the talk group assigned will display a red window that flashes **EMERGENCY** and the operator must acknowledge the alarm to silence it.
 - d. Every time the PTT button is pressed, the **EMERGENCY** indicator will flash in the display of all radios on the same talk group.
4. How is the alarm silenced?
 - a. Press and hold the **EMERGENCY** button for approximately one second.
 - b. Depending on the programming of the radio, a console operator may be required to acknowledge the alarm prior to it being disabled by the radio user.
5. What happens if the emergency button is activated by mistake?
 - a. Clear the alarm as soon as possible by pressing and holding the **EMERGENCY**

button for approximately one second.

b. Advise the regional dispatcher that no emergency exists.

c. Inform users on the channel/talkgroup that no emergency exists.

6. For internal agency user training, if you are going to activate the “Emergency Button” for demonstration purposes, you must call the area dispatcher prior to activation and advise them of the training. Once the training is complete, call the dispatcher and advise them of such.