



The RACOM Network User's Group

Guidelines for Use of the RNUG Interoperability Channels

The RACOM Network User's Group (RNUG) has developed three (3) radio talk groups designated to enable direct radio-to-radio interoperable communications. These talk groups may be programmed by RACOM into end-user radios operating on the RACOM EDACS 800 MHz multi-state network. End users will be responsible for abiding by the following:

- The **RNUG ALL** talk group will be used as an alerting channel for brief announcements between/among agencies on the network.
- The **RNUG ALL** talk group will be forced to every site on the multi-state network. Therefore, any radio logged onto **RNUG ALL** or with scan turned on and the talk group in the scan list can hear traffic on the talk group.
- The **RNUG ALL** talk group will be used as a calling channel to direct interested agencies to one of the tactical channels; **RNUG 1** or **RNUG 2**.
- **RNUG 1** and **RNUG 2** talk groups will be used as tactical interoperability channels.
- **RNUG 1** and **RNUG 2** will not be forced to any sites. Radio traffic will only be directed to sites that have a radio actively logged onto that site and talk group.
- These talk groups should not be used at times when other *agency-owned* or *agency-shared* talk groups are available that would meet the communication need.
- Users should use proper radio communication etiquette and first monitor a talk group as to avoid interrupting other communications in process.
- As the RACOM Network is a mission critical communications tool used by agencies that may be involved in public safety and disaster response, all users of the network may be eligible to use these talk groups for such purposes, subject to these provisions and the discretion of RACOM and the RNUG Leadership Committee.

