



Propose EmComm Operating Modes / Capabilities

The RTC-TH EmComm operating modes are presented below based on a single HAM (unless others can help). Modes to the right contain all components of the previous smaller mode unless otherwise stated.
Note: TBP = To be purchased. Items in parentheses indicate items of limited quantity to be assigned as needed, or items to be made or acquired.

Last updated: 22 Apr 2011		Backpack→	Bicycle→	Sparky	Sam	Wang Wa base
Operators		1	1	1-2	1-2	1-2+
Est Max Operating range		3-5 km	6-12 km	20-40 km (80 km 1-way max)		
Est Operating Duration		1 day	1-2 days	1-2 days	1- 2 weeks	1-2 mos+
Radio	FSR	TBP	TBP	TBP	TBP	TBP
	Yaesu FH-912	X (if available)	X (if available)	X	X (if available)	X
	ICOM 2200-T	-----	-----	X (if available)	X (if available)	X (EchoLink)
	ICOM 718	-----	-----	Generally Sparky = VHF, Sam or base = HF.		
Power supply	AA packs	X	X	X	X (if available)	X
	NiMH	X	X	X	X (if available)	X
	1 gel pack	-----	X (if available)	X (if available)	X (if available)	X (kept here)
	6 VDC deep cycle wet	-----	-----	X (2)	X (2)	
	12 VDC AGM	-----	-----	X		X
	Small Solar PV panel		X	Future plans for back up on all 3		
	Roof mounted solar PV			Future plans for solar PV panel on all 3		
	Jatropa SVO generator	-----	-----	-----	-----	TBP
Antennas	Optional 220 VAC hook up	Kit: Extension cord, surge protector, battery charger; NO DIRECT connect of radios				
	FH-912 whip and tiger tail	X	X	X	X (if available)	X (if available)
	Button magnet mount	-----	X	X		
	NMO magnet mount				X	
	102" whip			X	X	
	Slim Jim / J-pole				X (Arrow J-pole)	X(Thai SlimJim)
	450 Window SlimJim/J-pole	(X)	(X)	X		
	Hentenna					X
	4-Yagi VHF	X (if available)	X (if available)	X (if available)	X (if available)	X
	Slingshot			X (small)	X (big)	
	1-wire HF			X	X	
	HF multi mobile			X	(X)	
	Super Antenna MP-1				X	X
	Spectral Isopole 144					X
	Diamond CP-6					X
Other	SkyLoop					(X)
	Clinometers	1 axis	1 axis	2 axis	2 axis	
	GPS	X	X	X	X	
	Weather station	X (if available)	X (if available)	Kestrel 4500	Kestrel 3000	Davis
	Wind Indicator	X (if available)	X (if available)	Streamer	Streamer	Davis
	Ground Panels	X (if available)	X (if available)	X	X	
	White strobe	X (if available)	X (if available)	X	X	
	Camera	X (if available)	X (if available)	X	X	
	Binoculars	compact	compact	regular	regular	
	Basic LZ Survey Kit	X	X	X	X	X
	Inflatable raft				X	X
	Fire extinguisher			TBP	TBP	TBP
	First Aid kit	X	X	X	X	X
	Excavating tools			X	X	
	Extension ladders				X	X
	Portable toilet				X	
	Solar shower				X	
	Solar cooker	portable	portable	portable	(box)	(box)
	Solar still					(X)
	Sleeping bags	(X)	(X)		1 bunk	1 bunk
	Tent	(X)	(X)		(sleep in Sam)	(sleep in station)
	Mosquito net	Built into tent			X	
	Local area maps	X	X	X	X	X
	Basic survey kit	X	X	X	X	

Helicopter Landing Zone Survey Kit		
Landing Zone Scout Report	Site criteria guidelines	
	Access (primary and secondary)	
	Documentation	Topo Map
		Google Earth photo-map
		Latitude/Longitude
		LZ Sketch map
DATA NEEDED FOR REPORT		Survey Method
Location	Latitude/Longitude	<input type="checkbox"/> GPS (specify geoid)
		<input type="checkbox"/> Topo Map grid coordinates
		<input type="checkbox"/> Google Earth grid coordinates
	Altitude	<input type="checkbox"/> GPS elevation
		<input type="checkbox"/> Topo map contours
		<input type="checkbox"/> Local altimeter from bench mark
	Map	<input type="checkbox"/> Topo Map
		<input type="checkbox"/> Google Earth Photo
		<input type="checkbox"/> LZ sketch map
Land Zone Sketch Map and Photos	Size	Dimensions
		Sketch map with bounding land marks
	Slope Max slope for LZ is ___° or ___% slope	<input type="checkbox"/> Stake and Pace method
		<input type="checkbox"/> Leveling stick method
		<input type="checkbox"/> Sight level
		<input type="checkbox"/> Clinometer
	Vertical obstructions	Estimating height by sight ruler; esp. note overhead wires
	Landing Pad	Sketch map;
	Safety zone	Sketch map
	Wind indicator	Sketch map
	Landing approach /	Sketch map
	Departure path	Magnetic compass (Do Not correct for True North)
Access routes	Primary; label on map; take photos	
	Secondary; label on map; take photos	
Existing facilities	Show on sketch map; take photos.	
Sketch Mapping	Materials	Graph paper
	Equipment	Ruler, protractor, magnetic compass, long tape measure, calculator
	Measuring Azimuth	Magnetic compass
	Distance measuring	<input type="checkbox"/> Long Tape
		<input type="checkbox"/> Distance by pacing
	Estimating height	<input type="checkbox"/> Sight ruler method
<input type="checkbox"/> Clinometer method		
Equipment / Materials Needed		
GPS	GPS unit (w/ spare batteries); optional 12 VDC power cord, ext. antenna.	
Magnetic compass	Separate mounted units in Sparky & Sam; pocket compass.	
Drafting kit	Pencil, sharpener, eraser, protractor, ruler/scale, graph paper, pocket calculator	
Long measuring tape	10 m and 33 m tapes	
Leveling Survey Kit	Sighting poles, string/level, rubber mallet, notepad, clinometer, sight level	
Topo Map	If available or make rough sketch map if needed.	
Google Earth (map)	Plot map for each alternate operating site and LZ.	
Graph paper pad / ruler / pencil / eraser	Make LZ map with approach paths	
Landing Zone Guidelines	Check list	
Ground to Air Panels	Panel set, stakes, cord, rubber mallet.	
Ground to Air Hand Signals	Reference card; LED markers; reflector paddles.	