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The following file provides a description of the most important Statewide Law Enforcement Agencies in South Carolina.

SOUTH CAROLINA HIGHWAY PATROL

The South Carolina Highway Patrol is the main uniformed State Police agency. They have 600 troopers divided into seven Patrol Districts in forty-six counties. The Highway Patrol is currently using silver Ford Crown Victorias as their primary vehicle but has recently started using both fully marked and unmarked multicolored Ford Mustang GT's as fast chase cars on the Interstates and other major highways for traffic enforcement. The Highway Patrol uses eight channel Motorola Micor radios that enable the troopers to communicate with other districts. Some Troopers use handheld radios which usually transmit on the District transmit frequency. The frequency pairs listed below were assembled by careful monitoring.

District	Headquarters	Frequency
1	Columbia	042.340
2	Greenwood	042.080
3	Greenville	042.100
4	Rock Hill	042.120
5	Florence	042.080
6	Charleston	042.100
7	Orangeburg	042.120

All base frequencies listed above have an mobile input of either 42.060 or 42.340. The Statewide Car/Car frequency seems to be Channel # 7 or 42.1400 with channel # 8,42.060 serving as the backup Car/Car channel. The 42.140/42.340 pair is used mostly along I-95 with the district frequency. The frequency pairs are shown in the chart below:

Frequency	Usage	Channel Position
042.100/42.100	Base/Mobile	Channel # 1
042.100/42.260	Mobile/Mobile	Channel # 2
042.120/42.340	Base/Mobile	Channel # 3
042.080/42.260	Base/Mobile	Channel # 4
042.140/42.340	Base/Mobile	Channel # 5
042.340/42.340	Base/Mobile	Channel # 6
042.140	Car/Car	Channel # 7
042.060/42.260	Base/Car	Channel # 8

SOUTH CAROLINA LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (S.L.E.D.) is the principle investigative arm of the Governor and provides assistance to local police departments upon request. Any major crime that occurs in the state will probably have the involvement of SLED whether from the Bloodhounds or from the Forensic Science Center. There are Resident SLED agents in every county and Regional Field Offices in each Highway Patrol District.

The State Law Enforcement Division uses three different radio systems in its operations. Most agents have both a Highway Patrol and a SLED radio in their cars. You can hear call signs like "SLED-321" on either the South Carolina Highway Patrol System or the SLED system. The radios that are installed in most SLED vehicles are 32 channel rigs with capability to operate in Digital Voice Protection Mode and have Autopatch from their vehicles. SLED agents can directly connect with other agents by dialing the unit # of the other agent anywhere in South Carolina. The frequencies used SLED agents are listed in the chart below. The Narcotics agents can access the regional repeaters with their programmable Motorola Syntor X-9000's when they need to communicate with local Sheriff's and police departments.

154.6650	Investigations	Channel # 1	Statewide
154.6950	Investigations	Channel # 2	Statewide
155.5800	Narcotics	Channel # 3	Statewide
154.6500	Narcotics	Channel # 4	Aeronautics
155.4450	Field Operations	Channel # 5	Statewide
155.4750	N.L.E.E.C.	Channel # 6	Emergency
155.0100	Regional Channel	Channel # 7	Conway
155.0700	Regional Channel	Channel # 8	Charleston
155.4600	Regional Channel	Channel # 9	Pageland
155.5350	Regional Channel	Channel # 10	Chester
155.5500	Regional Channel	Channel # 11	Sumter
154.7700	Simplex to 155.5800	Channel # 12	Statewide
158.9700	Simplex to 154.6950	Channel # 13	Statewide
159.0900	Simplex to 154.6650	Channel # 14	Statewide
453.6250	Capitol Complex Police	Channel # 15	Columbia
453.7500	Capitol Complex Police	Channel # 16	Columbia

If one listens to the first four channels you will hear most of the activity of the State Law Enforcement Division. 453.6250 is the frequency of the Uniformed Division of SLED , Capitol Complex Police which guards all state office buildings. 453.750 is used in

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the State House by the Security Teams guarding the Governor and other important officials.

154.6650	Operations	WNGV-331	Aiken
154.6650	Operations	WNGV-331	Charleston
154.6650	Operations	WNJR-313	Columbia
154.6650	Operations	WNGV-331	Conway
154.6650	Operations	WNGV-331	Florence
154.6650	Operations	WNGV-331	Greenville
154.6650	Operations	WNGV-331	Greenwood
154.6950	Narcotics	KL -6894	Charleston
154.6950	Narcotics	KLR -319	Columbia
154.6950	Narcotics	WNFU-471	Columbia
155.5800	Narcotics/Aviation	KXX -674	Columbia
155.5800	Aviation	KB-36284	Columbia
131.8000	Aviation	KB-36284	Statewide

SOUTH CAROLINA WILDLIFE & MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION

The South Carolina Wildlife & Marine Resources Commission is responsible for managing the game and fishing resources of South Carolina and enforcing the hunting and fishing laws. The officers have the same authority as the Highway Patrol. They are often heard requesting drivers license and registration checks. Apparently certain wildlife officers have the ability to communicate with with local Sheriff's Departments since callsigns like " WMR ---"have been heard on the Lexington County Sheriff's Dept. frequency. Possibly local law enforcement agencies provide radios to WMR. Certain key officers have the ability to access the State Law Enforcement Division's Communication System if necessary.

In the Fall of 1987,the Wildlife Dept. began to implementing a new radio system to replace their old 31 mhz system. At first, this was going to be a 800 mhz trunked system but this proved too complicated and expensive for their needs. Then it was decided that the 151 Mhz area was the best location for the new radio system. Wildlife currently has nine frequencies assigned to its operations. They have repeater sites installed around the state which improves the communications of Wildlife Officers over the old 31 Mhz system. Wildlife Officers have mobile repeaters installed on their vehicles for use with handheld radios while they are in the field away from their vehicles in order to maintain contact with their district base.

The confirmed Repeater outputs for S.C.W.M.R.C. are listed below:

151.1600 Estill, Little Mountain , Hampton
 151.2950 Greenwood , Orangeburg , Ware Shoals
 151.3250 Aiken , Eutaw Springs , Walhalla

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151.3400 Florence, Sumter
151.3700 Edgemore , Rock Hill
151.4150 Cheraw , Columbia , Greenville , Ridgeland
151.4300 Anderson , Aynor , Charleston , Conway
151.4450 Camden , Cassett , Georgetown , White Stone

The frequency of 151.2500 serves as the input for the mobile repeaters installed on the Wildlife aircraft,boats,and vehicles. S.C.W.M.R.C. uses Motorola Syntor X-9000 programmable mobile units with 110 watt output that are capable of accessing any portion of the V.H.F. Spectrum. Wildlife Officers participate in the Drug Task Force with the Highway Patrol and State Law Enforcement Division. They provide aerial support for the raid teams when requested by other agencies.

It has been observed that certain frequencies used by the Wildlife Dept. seem to have different usages depending upon the location. For example, Wildlife Officers have been heard in the Midlands around Columbia using 151.4150 as their Dispatch frequency. They use 151.1600 and 151.4150 for mobile communications while patrolling. This leads one to believe that certain channels seem to have more than one purpose for each frequency such as one for Land Operations and another for Water Operations. The Motorola Syntor radios used by WMR have 32 channel capability with different PL tones for each repeater site, simplex channel, or Marine Band . The radios have scanning capability where an officer can select how many channels to monitor while patrolling. This new system is a great improvement over the old 31 mhz system since Wildlife officers can now communicate with each other much better. Each Wildlife Officer is issued a Motorola SABER Handheld which is linked to his mobile unit enabling full communication with his district HQ.

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