

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>REGIONAL WIRELESS COOPERATIVE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES</b></p>	
	<p>No. O-11.11</p>
<p>Subject: Talkgroup Names Procedure</p>	<p>Effective Date 12/14/11 Inactive: 10/8/14</p>

### 1.0 Purpose

- 1.1. The purpose of this procedure is to set forth the principle by which all radio users will establish names for talkgroups in order to ensure that there are no duplicate names.

### 2.0 Owner

- 2.1. RWC Operations Working Group (OWG)

### 3.0 Applies To

- 3.1. Regional Wireless Cooperative (RWC) member agencies, Interoperability Participants and entities otherwise having subscribers using the operational capabilities of the RWC.

### 4.0 Background

- 4.1. Every talkgroup name in the system must be unique, there can be no duplicates. Depending on the radio types and/or model the talkgroup field may be limited in character length.

### 5.0 Policy Statement

- 5.1. The RWC has established guidelines to ensure unique talkgroup names.

### 6.0 Supporting Rules

- 6.1. System talkgroup naming must be unique. Talkgroup owners are free to choose talkgroup names that do not conflict with any other agency.
- 6.2. Shared talkgroup names for system, consoles and subscriber devices must be approved by the OWG.
- 6.3. Users are technically free to choose any unique name for member specific subscriber talkgroups. It is recommended that since this is a shared system, talkgroups that are programmed into radios should have naming conventions that will not conflict with other

agencies. The naming standard is suggested because some talkgroups will be shared by multiple agencies.

## **7.0 Responsibilities**

7.1. The Networking Managing Member is responsible for identifying conflicting talkgroup naming.

## **8.0 Conditions for Exemption or Waiver**

8.1. Talkgroups should have the same name (alias) in all radios and consoles when possible. This may not always be possible; however, due to radio programming limitations, some models of radios have character limitations. These radios may require condensing the talkgroup name to fit within the radio programming capabilities.

## **9.0 Applicable Policies and/or Procedures**

9.1. As listed at [www.rwcaz.org](http://www.rwcaz.org).