

NWCG
FREQUENCY USE DESIGNATOR
Standard Data Values

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Standard data values are provided when a data element has a pre-determined set of terms, codes, and/or numbers that must be used in order for the data to be valid. The purpose of standard data values is to ensure consistency and accuracy within the system and across multiple systems.

Frequency Use Designation is defined as: a description of the kind of communications that will occur on an assigned radio frequency.

The following list provides NWCG's standard data values for this data element:

Frequency Use Designator	Description
Command	Ground communications within the Incident Operations area and/or from the Incident Operations area to the Incident Command Post (ICP).
Tactical	Intra-division ground communications within the incident operations area.
Logistics	Ground communications for non-tactical or non-command functions utilizing UHF (ultrahigh frequency).
UHF Link	Ground communications used for linking Command and/or Logistics systems together.
Air-to-Air AM	Communications between aircraft utilizing an AM frequency. (All states except California.)
Air-to-Air FM	Communications between aircraft utilizing an FM frequency. (California only.)
Air-to-Ground AM Flight Following	Communications between aircraft and ground for the purpose of tracking the aircraft, utilizing an AM frequency. (Incident only)
Air-to-Ground FM Tactical	Tactical communications between aircraft and identified operations personnel, utilizing an FM frequency.

Guidelines for changing the contents of this list can be found in the Change Procedures for this data standard.