

SWAN MODEL 406B FREQUENCY CONTROL UNIT

Model 406B Frequency Control Unit is designed for full phone band coverage of 80, 40, 20 and 15 meters, and one 500 ke segment of the 10-meter band. The unit is specifically intended for mobile operation, and provisions for mobile mounting have been incorporated.

CIRCUIT THEORY

Q1, the 2N706 Oscillator operates in the common base configuration, as a Colpitts oscillator. See Figure 6. Capacitors C1801, C2001, and C2003 effectively tap the oscillator across only about 10 percent of the tank circuit. This results in exceptional stability. Q2, the Emitter Follower, is used for matching the impedance of the coaxial cable to the transceiver, as well as for isolation. The bandswitch selects the appropriate coil and trimmer for each range. Dial tracking is adjusted with the core and trimmer. With proper adjustment of coils and trimmers, the Model 406B may be used to cover any 200-kc segment in the 80-through 15-meter amateur bands, and any 500 kc segment of the 10 meter band.

INSTALLATION

A universal mounting bracket and mounting screws are supplied with the Model 496B. This bracket may be either top mounted, or bottom mounted, depending on where the 406B is to be mounted in the car. Many of the newer cars have a padded overhang. In other cases, attaching the mounting bracket to the bottom of the 406B will allow installation on a top surface. A row of small holes are provided along the sides of the 406B cabinet for top mounting of the bracket. You will find that the bracket will also allow tilting of the 4068. For bottom mounting, it will be necessary to drill additional holes along the bottom of the cabinet. Remove the cabinet first, and you will find chassis holes already provided for this purpose. Simply add these same holes to the cabinet.

ALIGNMENT

Alignment of the Model 406B requires only the use of a general coverage receiver tuning the frequency ranges between 8 mc and 24 mc. Calibration of the receiver is not critical since the crystal calibrator in the transceiver is used for final adjustment but the receiver must be accurate within 50 kc to permit selection of the proper 100 kc harmonic.

FOR MINOR FREQUENCY ADJUSTMENTS, which may be required after the initial aging period, simply remove the cabinet cover and very carefully adjust the trimmer capacitor marked for the specific range.

FOR MAJOR PREQUENCY ADJUSTMENTS

Tune Frequency Control Unit to low end of frequency range, and locate helerodyne with general coverage receiver at frequency indicated in the following table. Adjust vernier coil to bring heterodyne within a few ke of the receiver frequency, then switch on calibrator and adjust vernier coil for zero beat with calibrator at 100 ke increment of dial. Move tuning to high end of tuning range and adjust trimmer capacitor for zero beat. Repeat high and low end adjustments until calibration is correct at both ends. Coil and capacitor locations are marked in the unit.

DIAL SET

A dial-set has been provided located at rear of chassis so that dial adjustment can be made at any 100 kc point of the dial. With calibrator on, set the dial to any 100 kc point closest to the frequency you wish to work. Now adjust dial-set control to zero-beat the VFO with the 100 kc Calibrator. This provides greater accuracy of dial readout.

406B FREQ RANGE	OSC. FREQ. (kc)	ADJUST COIL (Low end)	ADJUST CAP. (Hi end)
3.8-4.0 14.15-14.35	Low-High 8973-9173	£1801	C1804
7.1-7.3	12,273-12,473	L1802	C1810
21.25-21.45	16,077-16,277	L.1803	C1813
28.5-29.0	23,327-23.827	L1804	C1807