

Points to consider:

Every public safety agency that operates a radio system is required to obtain, and maintain, an FCC license authorization.

- Your license gives your agency the rights and privileges to operate on assigned frequencies.
- Along with those rights and privileges, the licensee is required to maintain these licenses.
- *Failure to respond to renewals and construction status updates can result in the automatic cancellation of a license and terminate your rights to operate a radio system.*

More information

See **Managing Your License** at:

www.apcointl.org/frequency/licmgmt.html

If you have questions related to your licensing requirements or engineering studies to verify coverage, contact AFC at 386-322-2500 or send email to afc@apco911.org.

AFC on the Web at: www.apcoafc.org

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Managing Radio System Licenses

Your agency's FCC License is **THE** legal document authorizing radio system operation.

APCO can assist you with managing your licenses to avoid the financial burden of losing a license due to oversights.

APCO International is a member association established to assist the public safety community respond to communications issues.

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Many public safety agencies lack the full time expertise to properly maintain their FCC licenses to operate a radio system.

The FCC routinely sends certain notifications that require a timely response. If the licensee contact information is not kept up-to-date on the FCC license, and if there is a failure for reason of contact or lack of response by the licensee, the license may be cancelled. It is the licensee's responsibility to update contact information.

If other agencies are subsequently assigned your cancelled or terminated frequencies, continued operation and resultant interference could leave your agency subject to significant fines and liabilities which can range into the thousands of dollars per day of infraction.

Frequencies re-assigned to another agency may result in your agency processing a new FCC license application for new frequencies and incur not only the costs of re-licensing, but reprogramming all of your radios. In some cases, ***there may be no suitable frequencies available*** resulting in no alternative but to install an entirely new radio system in another frequency band.

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LMS

License Management Services

Basic Services:

- **LMS** Searches for your licenses/call signs on the FCC's database in order to identify all licenses assigned to your agency including those that may have gotten "lost" over the years.
- **LMS** screens/reviews your licenses/call signs for any deficiencies and provides a report of any potential problems.
- **LMS** participation provides discounts for other AFC services including license preparation, frequency coordination, and various RF engineering services that may be required to correct your call sign.

License Management Services

APCO-AFC can help protect your FCC license authorization!

Fees are based on an initial one time search and review for each Call Sign registered. Discounts for multiple Call Signs per agency.

Call Sign Search:

- Identify just what licenses may exist for your agency.

Call Sign/License Review:

- A detailed analysis of each license to assure full FCC compliance
- Increased security to ensure your agency's ability to continue efficient operation status and peace of mind.
- Discounts for associated AFC services.



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