Congratulations on your purchase of a Uniden SX237 series radio. This lightweight, palm-sized radio is a state-of-the-art device, equipped with many valuable features. Use it at sporting events, to stay in contact with family and friends, while hiking, skiing, or in a neighborhood watch for vital communication.

### PACKAGE CONTENTS

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- If your model number contains a “C,” your package contains a microUSB Y charging cable.
- If your model number contains “CK,” it contains a charging kit (including a charging cradle).
- If your models number contains “HS,” it contains headsets.

Refer to the packaging for other specific contents.

### INSTALL THE BATTERIES

Each radio uses 3 AA rechargeable NiMH batteries.

1. If necessary, remove the belt clip. Press up on the belt clip and slide the belt clip off of the radio.
2. Remove the battery compartment door by pressing on and sliding out the compartment door. Remove the cover.
3. Insert the 3 AA NiMH batteries (included) into the battery compartment. Be certain to follow the + and – symbols in the compartment. Installing the batteries incorrectly will prevent the unit from operating.
4. Replace the battery compartment door by sliding the door into place.
5. Replace the belt clip if necessary.

### BATTERY LEVEL / LOW LEVEL ALERT

This unit has a battery level meter on the display to indicate the status of the batteries. When the battery in the unit is low, the battery level meter icon flashes. Replace the batteries immediately.

### CHARGING THE RADIO

For radios with microUSB Y-cable:

1. Plug one branch of the microUSB Y-Cable into each radio’s microUSB charge port.
2. Insert the other end (microUSB) into a USB power source (computer, phone charger, etc., not included).
3. Charge the batteries for 16 hours and disconnect the radio from the Y-cable after charging.

For radios with a charging cradle:

1. Connect the AC adapter to DC IN 9V jack on the charging cradle and to a standard 120V AC wall outlet.
2. Set the charging cradle on the desk or tabletop, and place the radio in the charging cradle with the keypad facing forward.
3. Make sure that the LED illuminates. Charge the batteries for 16 hours and remove the radio from the charging cradle after charging.

Voice Alert:

- Neither the radio nor the charging cradle are waterproof.
- If the charging cradle falls into water, unplug it before attempting to remove the water. Allow the cradle to dry completely before reconnecting the power.
- Wipe off dirt or water from your radio before placing in the charging cradle if your radio is ever wet or soiled.

Notes:

- Install the batteries before charging. Charge time may vary depending on the battery life remaining. For fastest charging, turn off the radio before charging.
- If the power is lower, you cannot operate the radio even using external power. Allow the batteries to charge before using. If you try to transmit with low power, the radio will automatically turn off.

### USING THE RADIO

In order to get the most out of your new radio, read this reference guide completely before attempting to operate the radio.

#### TURNING THE RADIO ON AND ADJUSTING THE VOLUME

1. Press and hold the MENU/LOCK key to turn the radio on.
2. If needed, hold the MENU/LOCK key to turn the radio off.
3. Press the ▲ or ▼ keys to increase or decrease the volume level. L0 - L8 displays as you press the keys.

#### USING THE MENUS

Press MENU/LOCK key to enter the Menu system. Each time you press MENU/LOCK key you advance through the system.

- Press MENU/LOCK once, access Privacy Codes (0 - 121).
- Press MENU/LOCK twice, set the transmit (call) tone for your radio (1 - 10, 0F).
- Press MENU/LOCK three times, access VOX (L e v e l s 1 - 5, 0F).
- Press MENU/LOCK four times, exit Menus.

#### WORKING WITH CHANNELS / PRIVACY CODES

Your radio has 22 channels and 121 Privacy Codes you can use to talk to others. In order to speak to someone, each of you must be set to the same channel/Privacy Code.

1. With the radio on, press CH/VOL key once. The current channel number flashes.
2. Use the ▲ or ▼ keys to select other channels (1 - 22). Press and hold ▲ or ▼ keys to rapidly change channels.
3. Press CH/VOL key once again to set the selected channel.
5. Use the ▲ or ▼ keys to select other Privacy Codes (1 - 121). Press and hold ▲ or ▼ key to rapidly change Privacy codes.
6. Press MENU/LOCK key three times to set the Privacy Code and exit the Menus.

#### VOICE OPERATED TRANSMISSIONS

Your radio is equipped with a user selectable Voice Operated Transmitter (VOX) that can be used for automatic voice transmissions. The VOX feature is designed to be used with a headset with a microphone. Transmission is initiated by speaking into the headset’s microphone instead of pushing the PTT button.

To select the VOX level:

1. Enter the Menu. Advance through the Menu until the VOX icon appears on the display. The current level (OFF, 1-5) will be indicated. Level 0 (OFF) disables VOX, while levels 1-5 set the sensitivity of the VOX circuit.
2. Press either the ▲ or ▼ keys to select the desired VOX sensitivity level. Use level 1 for increased sensitivity to voice in normally quiet environments, and a higher level to reduce undesired activation in very noisy environments.

#### CHANNEL SCAN FEATURES

Your radio has a channel scan feature that allows you to easily scan all 22 channels. When an active channel is detected, the unit pauses on that channel until the channel is clear. Then, after a 2 second delay, the radio continues scanning.

When the unit stops on an active channel, you press the PTT button on the microphone to transmit on that channel.

### AUTO SQUELCH

The radio is equipped with an automatic squelch system which shuts off weak transmissions and reduces interference due to terrain conditions or range limitations.

#### MONITOR MODE

Your radio allows you to listen for weak signals on the current channel at the press of a key.

To turn ON monitor mode, press and hold CALL/MON for 2 seconds. The tx icon displays. On a channel that does not have activity, you will hear only an open-squelch hissing noise.

To turn OFF monitor mode, press and hold the CALL/MON key for 2 seconds again.

### SPECIFICATIONS

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### KEYPAD LOCK

1. To lock the keypad, press and hold WX LOCK key. The icon appears on the display.
2. To unlock the keypad, press and hold WX LOCK key again. The icon disappears from the display.

Note: While keylock is on, you can still use the radio to receive, transmit, use call tone, turn volume up or down, MON, and MENU/LOCK to turn the radio on or off.