

SWAPMYRIGS USER MANUAL

WELCOME & CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations on your purchase of SWAPMYRIGS, the world's only patented, brand-universal, single-cable radio installation solution. We are very proud of our product, and we are committed to providing you with the best service possible.

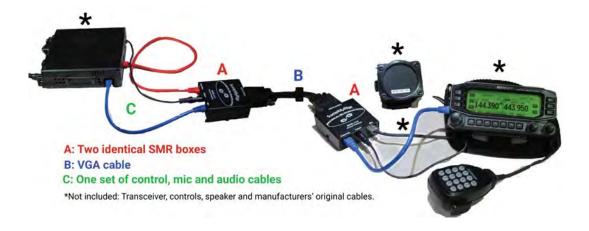
With our lifetime guarantee, rest easy knowing our products meet and exceed industry specifications. Each item is individually engineered by SMRs' creator, AE4S, and all cables and VGAs are fully tested for quality and reliability before leaving our warehouse.

INTRODUCTION

SWAPMYRIGS ("SMR") consists of two identical modules connected by a single 15-conductor IBM VGA (monitor) cable. One of the modules connects to the microphone, control, and external speaker jacks on the transceiver body; the other has jacks for the radio's remote microphone, control unit, and external speaker.

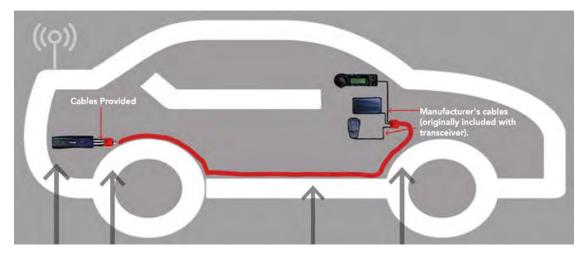
SMRs are compatible with all radios that use standard registered jacks ("modular jacks") to connect components.

PACKAGE CONTENTS - (RADIO, MIC & SPEAKER NOT INCLUDED)



- 1. SWAPMYRIGS includes two identical units (*see items marked "A"*), and a single 15-conductor, 15' VGA cable, connects SMRs (*see item B*). *A 15' VGA is included, but you may also purchase a longer VGA, based on the length required for your customized installation*. All SWAPMYRIGS cables meet IBM VGA standards and are available in lengths of 15, 25, 35, 50, 75, 100, and 150 feet.
- 2. We also include microphone, control, and audio cables you will use to connect your radio to the first SMR (*see item C cables pictured above left*).

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS



- 1) Install radio out of sight, near the antenna.
- 2) Plug the mic, control and speaker cables into SMR Box 1 (in red), using cables we supply.
- 3) Run our VGA cable (supplied), and connect the SMRs.
- 4) Install controls, speaker and mic where you want them. Plug the manufacturer's cables into the
- 1) Install your radio where it's out of sight, near the antenna. Mount one of the two SMRs near the radio body, and plug the cables provided into the SMR's audio, mic and control jacks.
- 2) Install the controls, microphone and speaker where you want them, then mount the second SMR nearby. Plug the manufacturers' cables (not included) into the SMR's jacks.
- 3) Run the VGA cable from the SMR at the radio to the other SMR, at the controls. The VGA cable must be tight against the DB15 jack. Also, verify the jumper settings are correct for your radio, as shown on Page 9.

ARCHITECTURE



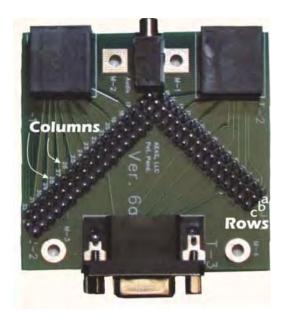
The SMR staking pins, (shown right) are arranged in a matrix of 32 Columns in 3 Rows plus one 2-pin Column. Rows are labeled a, b, and c. Columns are labeled 1 through 33. Each pin is assigned a Column number and a Row letter, such as "1a." Jumper and shunt settings are identified

by the two pins connected, such as "12b-13b," indicating that Columns 12 and 13 are bridged at Row b.

Dimensions:

2.6" x 2.6" x 0.9"

For all installations, both SMRs are programmed identically. If you choose to swap rigs, compatible connecting cables may be ordered. (SMR RJ45 jacks do not require RJ45 plugs; any RJ plug with a lower number fits, e.g., RJ12.)



REGISTERED JACKS

Amateur radio manufacturers use one or more registered jacks, often called "modular jacks," to connect transceivers to microphones and controls. Technically "RJ" refers to jacks, but it commonly applies to both plugs and jacks. The term "registered jack" (RJ) is a consequence of the Bell System's settlement with the Department of Justice in January, 1982, under which Bell was required to give local competitors access to standardized connections for use in home and office telephone systems. As a result, registered jacks soon became the standard for connecting data and telecommunications devices to service providers.

RJ connections are named RJ11, RJ12, RJ21, RJ41, etc. However, they differ only in the number of positions and conductors. SMRs use 8P8C jacks (RJ45s) because they are compatible with plugs with fewer positions; e. g., 4P4C, 6P6C, and 8P8C plugs and jacks are compatible with RJ45 jacks. Some control heads have jacks that, though technically not registered jacks, are used with telephone handsets. Occasionally, the jack is referred to as an RJ9, RJ22, or RJ25. Kenwood's TM-V71 and TM-D700, the Icom IC-2820, and Yaesu's FTM-400 and FTM-100 use this jack. Typically, these cables are provided by the manufacturers and if not, are included with SMRs, depending on the transceiver you use.

SMR Specialty VGA Cables vs. Other VGA Cables

All VGA cables are NOT equal,
especially those used with computer
monitors. If you choose to use VGA
cables not purchased and tested by
us, we cannot guarantee the quality
of our product. Our VGAs are fully
shielded, built-tough, and stomp-proof,

with three coaxial cables and 4 twisted pairs, perfect for isolating audio and digital signals, eliminating crosstalk, and interference. Enjoy quality sound whether your radio is 5' or 150' away.

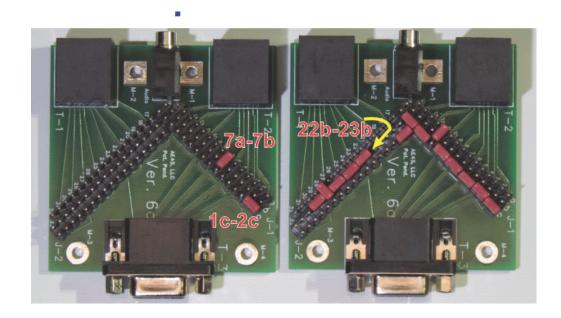
Our VGA cables are tested for quality and reliability before

leaving the warehouse. Our VGA standards include the following: (1) Sub-D 15-pin connectors, and (2) 15 separate and independent conductors. The 15 conductors are 4 twisted pairs,

3 coaxial cables (six conductors) and one additional conductor.

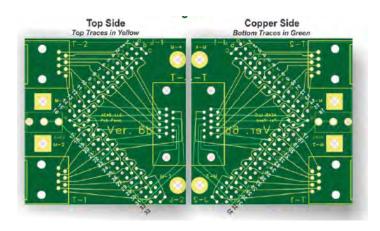
In general, VGA cables sold for monitors do not meet VGA standards. The usual failure is combining and grounding the coaxial conductors, pins 6, 7, and 8. Another is the omission of conductor 9, the single unpaired conductor, which is intended for +5 vdc, but not used for computer-to-monitor connections. Another problem with some cables is the use of aluminum instead of copper conductors. The resistance of aluminum cables exceeds the requirements of SMR installations.

SMR Circuit Board and Schematic



Row c, and Rows a and b at Column 7. The shunt shown above right connects Columns 22 and 23 at Row b and is identified 22b-23b. Jumper and shunt settings are available for most if not all current transceivers; the number will increase as new transceivers are released. The circuit is designed so that each RJ45 input conductor can be routed to as many as 4 VGA output conductors plus ground.

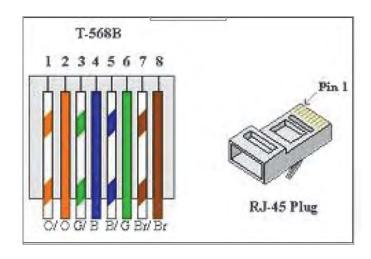
Perhaps the most difficult aspect of jumpering for a new rig is determining the radio's pinouts. Microphone pinouts are almost always



shown in the operator's manual. However, the numbering of the conductors is inconsistent among manufacturers.

SMR Circuit Board and Schematic (continued)

Furthermore, it is hard to tell if the manual's depiction is from the inside looking out or the outside looking in. The same is true when researching a radio schematic for the control pinouts. Typically, both the main unit and the control head pinouts are shown, so the inside-outside problem becomes more complex; the main unit may be from the inside out and the control head from the outside in, increasing the potential for error.



The pin numbering is also problematic. Manufacturers, Kenwood in particular, number their RJ45 and RJ12 jacks opposite the industry standard (left).

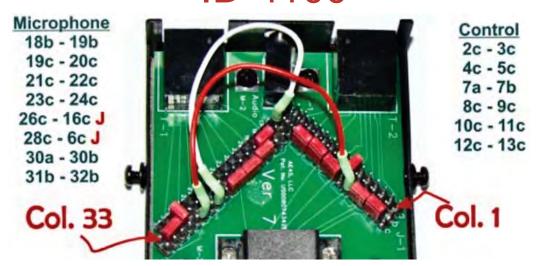
Equipment damage is always a consideration if manufacturers' drawings are misinterpreted.

Bridge and Jumper Settings

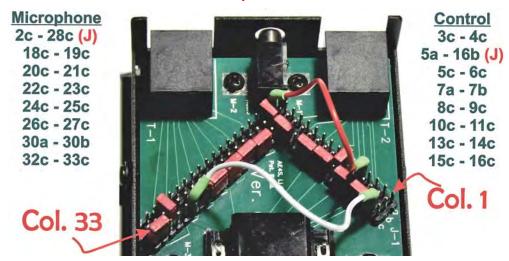
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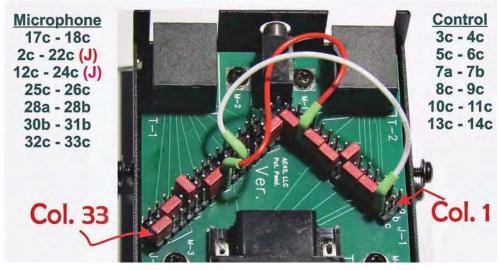
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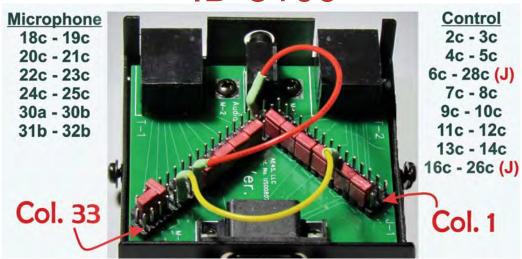
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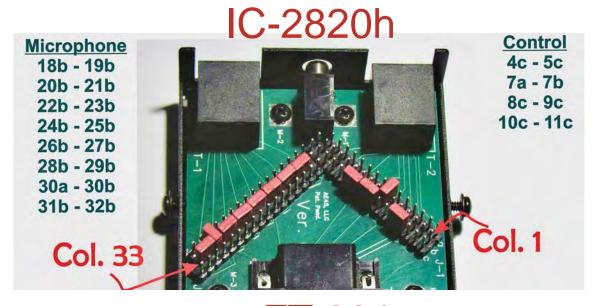


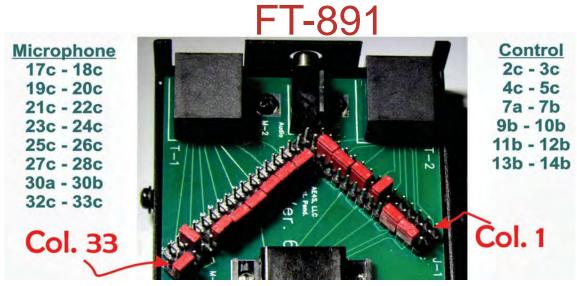
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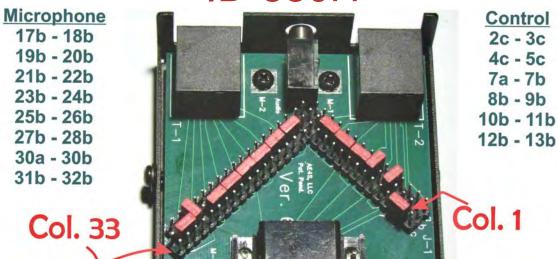
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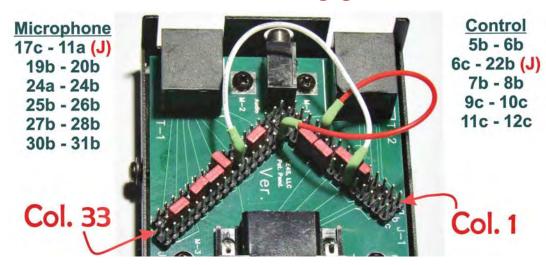




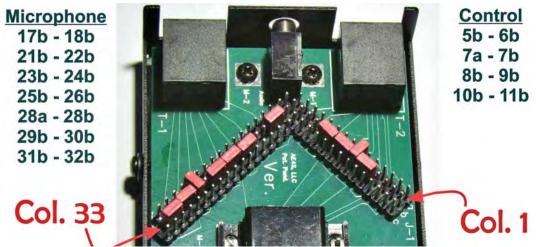
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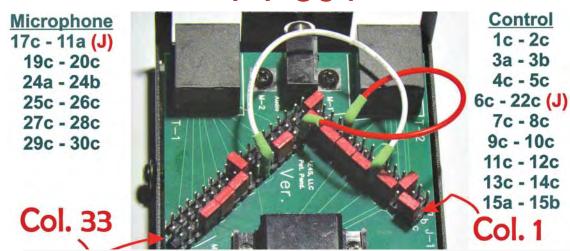


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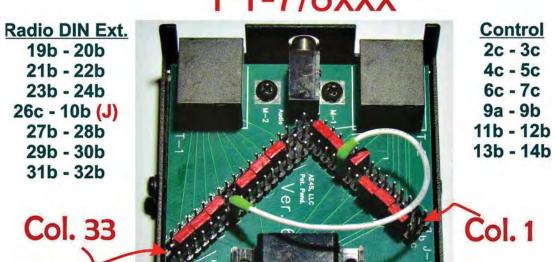


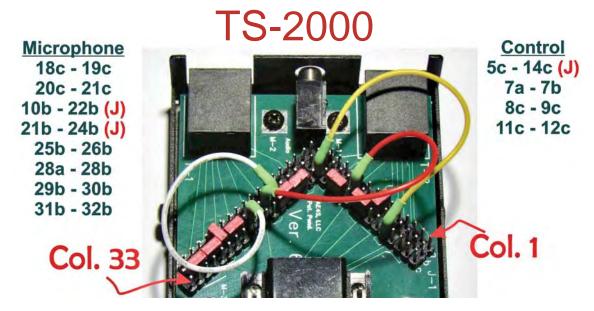
*SMR to control head requires an RJ45 to RJ22 Cable (supplied).

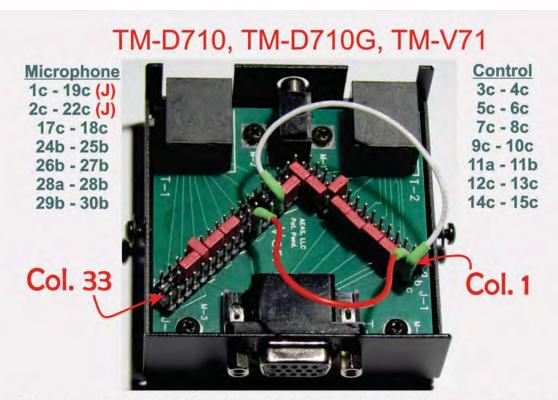
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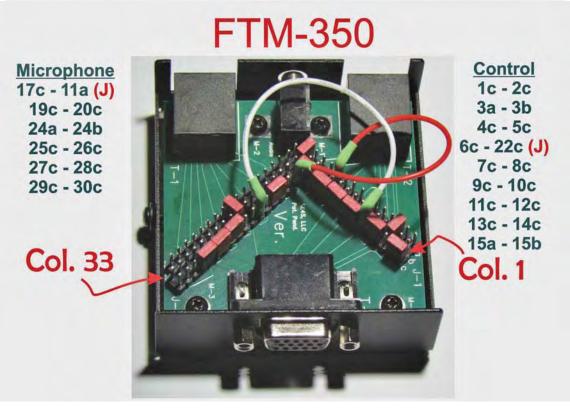
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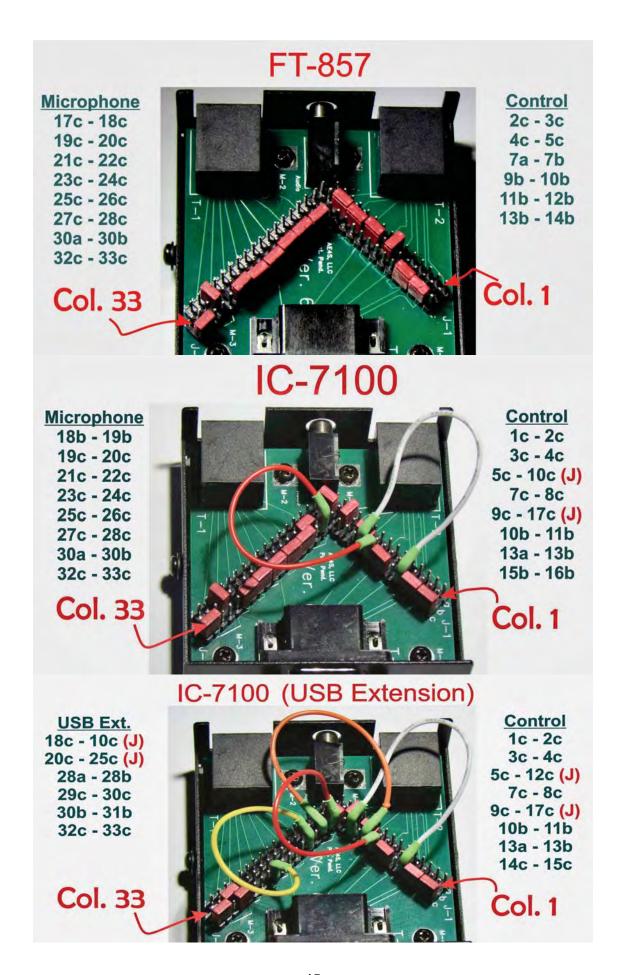






All Kenwood TM-D710 and TM-V71s have the same transceiver body; only the controls differ. Accordingly, their SMRs are identical. However, the control connections differ. The TM-V71 has a unique 4-conductor RJ-22 phone handset jack. SMRs ordered for TM-V71s include an additional 5-foot cable for connecting the control's RJ22 jack to the SMR's RJ45. (To upgrade to a TM-D710 just substitute the RC-D710's RJ45 connecting cable for the 5-foot one included with the SMR.)





ABOUT AE4S



SWAPMYRIGS was created by Bill Jordan, AE4S, a lifelong electronics devotee. Years ago, he saw the need for a simpler, more efficient way to install and manage radios with remote controls.

Manufacturers' kits were incompatible with other brands, and, sometimes, even within their own product lines. Couldn't one device do it all? Researched, engineered, and built in his office, SWAPMYRIGS is the only universal, patented, single-cable separation kit. Invented, designed, and MADE IN THE USA.

AE4S graduated from Cornell University and retired from the United States Navy as a Captain. He has a Ph.D., is a CPA, and Emeritus Professor at Florida State University in Tallahassee, Florida.



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