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How many watts is the appropriate power supply for a base station

Overview

It depends on your devices and usage—but most users require 300W to 2,000W for reliable power. Imagine being halfway through a camping trip when your fridge and phone die, or losing work during a blackout because your laptop battery drained.How many amps should a power supply have?

If connecting multiple radios, add up the total amps of all the radios during peak load combined. For example, let's say you have a 50 watt radio and the maximum draw is listed at 10 amps. Buying a power supply advertised with a peak load of 10 amps might still be a bad move. First, power supplies have two amp ratings: continuous and maximum.

How do I choose the right size power supply for my Radio?

To the average layperson, all this sounds overly complicated. So to simplify the process, here are some general guidelines for choosing the right size power supply for your radio. Use the manufacturer's amp rating of the radio as the rule. Use the maximum, or peak load rating of the radio, not the standby or typical draw.

Do mobile radios need a power supply?

Mobile radios have different power requirements, and power supplies have different power ratings. Choose the correct power supply for your radio, and you may have years of clean power with no noisy interference and uninterrupted service. Choose the wrong one, and your radio may not be able to transmit or even stay on from the start.

How much power do you need for a HF radio?

Typically you’ll need a minimum of 15 amps for high-power transceivers (50-80W) and at least 10 amps for medium-power radios (25-40W). Check the recommendations in your radio’s manual for specific requirements. As you step up to HF radios with higher wattage, you’ll need larger power supplies.

Do base station transceivers need a power supply?

Most base station transceivers require an external AC power supply, providing a stable source of 12-14 VDC. Choose a power supply with a sufficient amperage rating to support your transceiver and any additional equipment, such as amplifiers. For mobile or emergency situations, consider using batteries or solar power as alternatives.

How much power does a CB radio have?

Keep in mind that, regardless of size, all CB radios have a power output of 4 watts as allowed by the FCC. If you select a radio without a built-in SWR meter, you will need an external SWR meter (you can select one in the accessories tab) to tune your antenna. Tuning your antenna is VERY important.

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A good rule of thumb is "double the power and divide by 12" and then round it up. So for a 50 watt transmitter: 50*2 = 100, 100/12 = 8, round up to 10 amps. So a power supply that can give you ...

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