Connecticut Statewide Police Emergency Radio Network (CSPERN)

The Connecticut Statewide Police Emergency Radio Network (CSPERN) is a Statewide 800 MHz Simulcast system which transmits and receives radio messages in all areas on all transmitters of the state trunked radio system.

General Principals

The following are general principles for use of the system:

The CSPERN System is always active, a request is not needed to make the system available.

This system is available for all law enforcement agencies, with access to 800 MHz CSPERN programmed radios, for vehicle to vehicle, and vehicle to dispatch center communications, to coordinate operations with other agencies and while operating in other jurisdictions.

The most common use is for vehicle pursuits which enter into other jurisdictions and may extend beyond the radio coverage of the initiating agency’s system.

The Connecticut State Police Message Center coordinates the operation of this system. If there is more than one emergency occurring at the same time the Message Center will determine which incident has priority.

Plain Language – Due to the interaction with various agencies plain language will be used on the CSPERN System. The use of radio codes and other agency specific nomenclature detracts from communication efficiency.

Unit Identifier – The Department name will precede the unit number.

Example: “Shelton PD Unit 53 to Troop G on CSPERN”

Be aware the nature of the system allows for the messages to be heard statewide.

For CSPERN to be of maximum benefit CSPERN should also be monitored by the PSAPs.