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# Scout™

## QUICK START GUIDE



**This Quick Start guide explains how to set up your Scout and use its key features. Once you're set up you can learn more about Decatur Radar at [www.DecaturElectronics.com](http://www.DecaturElectronics.com).**

### **Batteries**

The Scout can be powered either from rechargeable NiMH batteries or by means of the detachable power cord. When powering the Scout from the batteries make sure the batteries have been fully charged prior to use. Refer to your user's manual for information on charging and maintaining the batteries. If you are powering the Scout from the power cord go to step 1, otherwise go to step 2.

### **Connecting the Scout to Power**

1. Connect the power cord to the Scout. Next, plug the power cord into your vehicle's cigarette lighter receptacle. If you are using a separate battery pack as a power source, plug the radar's power cord into the battery pack's receptacle.

### **Powering on the Scout**

The operation of the Scout is controlled by the 5 button keypad and the trigger.

2. Press the PWR button on the keypad to turn the radar on or off. The display should briefly display all of the segments and icons as shown in Figure 1. Only the POWER and HOLD icons should remain on.



**Figure 1**  
GHD display & keypad.

### **Menu Selections**

There are several menu selections available. Refer to the user's manual for detailed information on all the selections. Only Directionality and Faster are covered in the quick start.

### **Choosing Directionality**

3. By default the Scout is set to pick up traffic both coming towards and going away from the radar. If you want to change the setting to read speeds only coming toward the radar (t) or only going away from the radar (A) then press the menu button until "dir" is displayed in the window. Once "dir" is displayed press the "SEL" button to choose toward (t), away(A), or both directions (tA). Once the setting has been chosen that setting will be retained in memory.

### **Choosing Faster Mode**

4. By default the Scout operates in Strongest signal mode. You can active faster mode by pushing the FAST button.

### **Taking a Speed Reading**

5. To measure the speed of target vehicles, pull and hold the trigger. When you pull the trigger the HOLD icon will be replaced with the XMIIT icon indicating that the radar is now transmitting and the speed of the target vehicle will show in the display.

### **Locking a Speed Reading**

6. When you want to lock a speed, release the trigger then quickly pull it in again (within 1/2 second). The radar will take the speed from the left side of the display and move it to the right side of the display and lock it in. At the same time the Scout will continue to track speeds and display speeds in the left side of the display as long as you continue to hold the trigger in.

The locked speed will then flash alternately between the locked speed and the directional indicator (t means it is moving towards from you and A means it is moving away from you.)

### **Releasing a Locked Speed**

7. To release a locked speed pull and release the trigger without any targets present.

### **Powering Off the Scout**

8. To power the Scout off, press the PWR button on the keypad. The word OFF will be displayed and the radar will power down

### **Testing the Scout**

Pressing the TEST button while the unit is on initiates a comprehensive system self-test. When the unit passes all internal checks the message "PASS" is displayed. (Refer to the user's manual for more information on testing the Scout.)