

GÍNA™

USER'S MANUAL

Models : 6000N/6000NV/8000N/8000NV



'General Information

Introduction

This document is the User's Manual for the GINA transceiver and the GTALK communications software.

NOTE: Read this manual completely before you try to use any GINA product.

GINA Models

GINA 6000N / 6000NV

GINA 6000N is a stand-alone, high frequency data transceiver using spread spectrum technology. GINA 6000N has a standard RS-232 serial data interface that can be driven asynchronously at rates to 38.4 Kbps. GINA 6000N receives and transmits data in the frequency range of 902 to 928 MHz at air speeds of 128 Kbps. Communicating at this speed allows GINA 6000N to be a duplex link. GINA 6000N can be configured to be used as a point-to-point or point-to-multipoint communication device. GINA 6000N contains a packet controller module with a custom communication protocol that provides communications handshaking, error detection, retry, packet sequencing, flow control, and repeaters to extend the communication range. GINA 6000N implements a subset of standard packet framing with a built in Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC) and High Level Data Link Control (HDLC). The protocol used is a modified X.25 protocol. GINA 6000N will automatically resend all information until it is completely received with no errors in the point-to-point mode. The point-to-point mode assures extremely accurate data transmission.

GINA 8000N / 8000NV

Model 8000N is a standard GINA transceiver. Model 8000NV has an additional voice handset for audio communication. GINA 8000N is a stand-alone, high frequency data transceiver using spread spectrum technology. GINA 8000N uses a standard RS-232 serial data interface that can be driven asynchronously at rates of to 38.4 Kbps. GINA 8000N receives and transmits data in the frequency range of 2.404 - 2.478 GHz at air speeds to 128 Kbps. Communicating at air speeds of 128 Kbps allows GINA 8000N to be a full duplex unit. GINA can be configured to be used as a point-to-point or point-to-multipoint communication device. GINA 8000N contains a packet controller module with a custom communication protocol that provides communications handshaking, error detection,

retry, packet sequencing, flow control, and repeater capability to extend the communication range. GINA 8000N implements a subset of standard packet framing with a built in Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC) and High Level Data Link Control (HDLC). The protocol used is a modified X.25 protocol. GINA 8000N will automatically resend all information until it is completely received with no errors in the point-to-point mode. The point-to-point mode assures extremely accurate data transmission.

System Requirements

For all GINA models, the only system requirement is an EIA232 (RS-232) peripheral or a personal computer (PC). When using a PC, any communications software package such as BitCom[®], Procomm[®], Crosstalk[®], or any compatible communications package can be used.

DTE Requirements

Data terminal equipment varies between manufacturers. DTEs can be: dumb terminal, dedicated terminal, personal computer (PC), PLC, RTU, etc. Refer to the manufacturers instructions and ensure that the following settings are used for initial start-up.

FUNCTION	SETTING
Auto LF/CR	OFF
Keyboard	OFF
Duplex	OFF
Baud Rate	9600
Data Bits/Char	8
TX Parity Enable	OFF
RX Parity Sense	OFF
Parity Bit	OFF
Stop Bits	1

Using GINA with DTE

To use GINA models 6000N, 6000NV, 8000N, and 8000NV with DTE equipment, proceed as follows:

1. Install the hardware and power it up as described in the Hardware Installation section for your particular model.
2. Enter the appropriate command. Refer to the Command section for your particular model for a description of commands.

What is GINA?

As shown in Figure 1-1, GINA is a high frequency data radio using spread spectrum technology. GINA receives and transmits data in the ISM band of 902-928 MHz or 2.404 - 2.478 GHz. GINA has standard data interfaces that can be driven at rates from 9.6 to 64 Kbps (Kilobits Per Second) depending on the model. GINA is a plug and play transparent link. There are no special setups required. GINA is a highly secure spread spectrum radio. GINA being transparent allows most custom communication protocols to be used.



Figure 1-1. The GINA Transceiver

Spread Spectrum Technology

GINA uses spread spectrum technology, a technique originally developed by the U.S. military during World War II, to prevent the jamming of communications signals. Spread spectrum technology uses a narrow bandwidth radio frequency and spreads it over a wider portion of the bandwidth. Since the signal is spread out over the band, it renders narrow band jammers virtually ineffective. Additionally, the spread spectrum band can be used with low probability of interception, which is an ideal method of communication since it is 'radio silent' to a conventional receiver.

Advantages of Spread Spectrum Technology

Spread spectrum technology has many advantages. Among them are:

- **System flexibility.** Additions can be made easily.
- **Interference immunity.** Spread spectrum radios are immune to noise.
- **Error-free communication.** Automatic error detection is built into some models.
- **Cost.** Spread spectrum technology is inexpensive compared to an equivalent hard-wired installation.
- **Data throughput.** Spread spectrum technology is a transparent, real-time, point-to-point, and point-to-multipoint wireless network.
- **Multi-channel.** Spread spectrum radios have multiple channels that can be dynamically changed with software. It allows for repeaters, redundant base stations, and overlapping antenna cells. A great advantage is in the dynamic control of radio signal 'peaks' and 'valleys.'

A typical spread spectrum radio signal is shown in Figure 1-2.

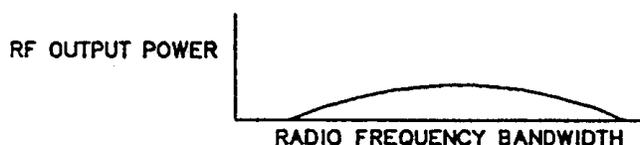


Figure 1-2. Spread Spectrum Radio Signal

A typical narrow band signal is shown in Figure 1-3.

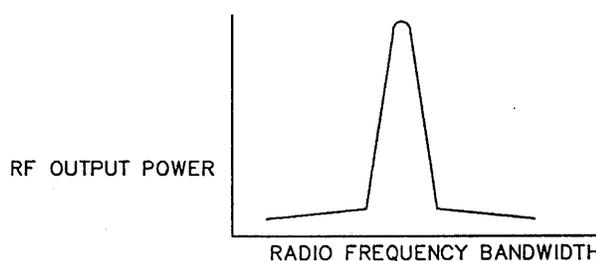


Figure 1-3. Narrow Band Radio Signal

Definitions of Terms

DATA INTERFACE — The asynchronous interface port provided for connectivity is a EIA-232 (RS232) standard.

DIRECT SEQUENCE — Direct sequence is a technique that takes a narrow-band signal and spreads it over a broader portion of the radio frequency band.

KEY-UP TIME — The time that a radio requires when switching from transmit to receive and vice-versa. There is no key-up time required due to an internal buffer. Data can be received and transmitted through the RS-232 port simultaneously in a full duplex mode using TDD (time division duplex).

NOTE: Key-up time and spreading code length are interrelated. In a direct sequenced technique, the spread sequence system must (in real time) attempt to match its despreading code with the incoming radio signal in order to determine the validity of the data. The longer the spreading code, the longer the receiver must search before it can determine that a valid data signal is being transmitted.

SYNCHRONIZATION — Applied each time that the radio switches between transmit and receive, synchronization produces direct overhead on each transmitted message, thereby reducing radio efficiency. In applications involving very long, constant messages (such as a large file transfer), synchronization time becomes less of a deciding factor.

MULTIPATH — Radio signals may take several paths to reach the intended receiver. The receiver must sort out the main path from all the 'ghost' images. The longer the spreading factor and/or the faster the raw data rate, the more difficult (and eventually impossible) it is to sort out the signals, resulting in a loss of robust communication.

NUMBER OF CHANNELS — The number of channels varies per GINA model. Models 6000N and 6000NV have 21 channels provided in the 902 - 928 MHz frequency range. Models 8000N and 8000NV have 37 channels provided in the 2.404 - 2.478 GHz frequency range. Note that the channels are overlapping and, depending on the unit separation, only one channel may be used.

PROCESSING GAIN MEASUREMENTS — Since processing gain is a function of the RF bandwidth of the transmitted signal compared to the bit rate of the data, the theoretical calculation is:

$$\frac{10\text{Log}(\text{Spreading Code Rate}) \times (\text{Main Lobe Factor})}{\text{RF Data Rate}}$$

NOTE: Assuming that the RF main lobe of $[\sin x/2]$ for direct sequence is 0.88 (main lobe factor) times the bandwidth spreading code clock rate.

RANGE — The communication distance between GINA's may vary according to environment and application. (Robustness and range are almost interchangeable terms; robustness and range vary according to the antenna system used.)

RAW DATA RATE — Response time of data transmission/reception. The raw data rate is factory set to 128 Kbps.

ROBUSTNESS — GRE America, Inc. believes that an RF link should be 'as good as wire.' Robustness is closely related to range. Variables for robustness and range include:

- Transmitter Output Power
- Receiver Sensitivity
- Spreading Code Length
- Raw Data Rate
- Antenna Configuration

NOTE: Spreading Code Length, Raw Data Rate, Robustness, and Multipath are interrelated; all terms are defined in this section.

SPREADING CODE LENGTH — A shorter spreading code length results in better performance in measurable areas such as cost, actual data throughput, size, range, and robustness.

A longer spreading code length reduces the possibility of unintended signal interruption and/or regulatory implications. GRE America has taken all the above criteria and used a spreading code length of 127 chip with four different codes selectable by channel.

SYSTEM RESPONSE TIME — Raw data rate, reflected by transmission response time. The minimum response time is 12 msec.

FCC Requirements

The FCC has allocated the frequencies between 902 – 928 MHz and 2.404 and 2.478 GHz for use with spread spectrum technology and does not require the end user to obtain an FCC license to operate a GINA transceiver.

NOTE: Professional installers who replace GRE-provided whip antennas with one not approved by GRE America, must obey FCC regulations concerning effective radiated power in the U.S. or the effective rules in the destination country relating to ERP. For detail specifications, refer to FCC Rules Part 15.247.

FCC Statement

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interfer-

ence in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses, and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception (which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on) the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Re-orient or relocate the transceivers.
- Increase the separation between equipment and transceivers.
- Connect the equipment into a different outlet or circuit different from the one where the receiver is connected.
- Consult a dealer or an experienced radio technician for help.

Shielded cables and I/O cords must be used for this equipment to comply with relevant FCC regulations.

Changes or modifications not expressly approved in writing by GRE America, Inc. may void the user's authority to operate this equipment.

What is GTALK?

GINA models 6000N, 6000NV, 8000N, and 8000NV use GTALK. GTALK is terminal emulation program that transforms your computer into an integrated communications workstation. GTALK allows your computer to exchange data with other computers via radio communications, rather than by a hard-wired connection, such as a Local Area Network (LAN). GTALK was designed specifically for use with the GINA transceiver and provides a user-friendly menu system that allows complete control and configuration of GINA. The primary functions of GTALK are:

- Terminal emulation
- Point-to-point communication
- File transferal
- Print sharing

NOTE: GTALK is only an aid for GINA models 6000N and 8000N. Since GINA is self contained, you may use any type of communications software (such as PC Anywhere[®], Procomm[®], or HyperTerminal[®]) and manually control GINA using the command set.

Customer Support

If you need answers to technical questions or require information about product updates, please contact GRE America's Technical Support Team at:

Tel: (650) 591-1400
Fax: (650) 591-2001
(800) 233-5973 (outside California)
Between 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 PM, Pacific Time
Email : support@greamerica.com

Product Returns

If, after speaking to a technical support person, it is determined that your GINA unit requires servicing, call GRE and request a RMA number for repair and return units. Write the RMA number on the outside of the shipping box for reference.

NOTE: Units returned **without** an RMA number **will not** be accepted.

For further information, please write us at:

GRE America, Inc.
425 Harbor Boulevard
Belmont, CA USA 94002
Attn: Customer Support

Safety Considerations

For your safety, here are some things that you should do and not do:

- DO** read this manual completely before using GINA.
- DO** follow all instructions carefully.
- DO** use the same caution with GINA as you would use with any electrical appliance.
- DO NOT** try to use GINA for purposes for which it was not intended.
- DO NOT** locate GINA in an area that does not have adequate ventilation for cooling.
- DO NOT** use a 'universal' battery adapter with GINA. Only use the adapter supplied with the unit.

Installation

Introduction

This section contains instructions for installing GINA for models the 6000N/NV and 8000N/NV.

Hardware Installation

Hardware installation consists of connecting the GINA transceiver to the RS-232 serial port of your peripheral device and connecting a power adapter and antenna to the transceiver.

CAUTION: Make sure that the power switch on the back of the GINA transceiver is set to OFF before performing this procedure.

1. Set the power switch on the back of the GINA transceiver to OFF (see figure 2-1).

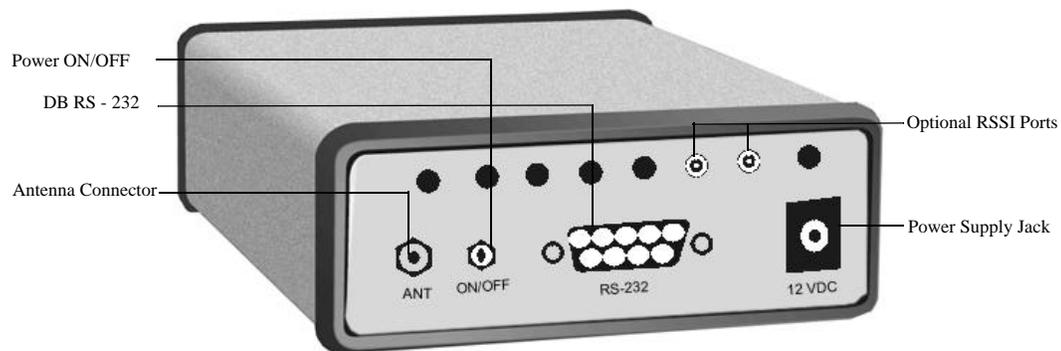


Figure 2-1. GINA Transceiver Rear Panel

2. Connect a shielded RS-232 interface cable to the RS-232 serial interface port on the back of your peripheral device. If your peripheral is a computer, connect the cable to the serial interface port (COM1) on the back of your computer. (Usually located on the same card as your printer connector.)

NOTE: Most computers use a DB-9 connector for the serial interface. Some earlier machines use a DB-25 connector. If your computer has a 25-pin connector, you can get a 25-pin to 9-pin adapter at most computer supply stores. If your peripheral requires a special pin configuration, refer to Appendix A for further information.

3. Connect the other end of the cable to the RS-232 connector on the rear of the GINA transceiver.

CAUTION: The power adapter for GINA is rated at 12 VDC @ 1 ampere. Do not use an adapter rated at less than this current or serious damage may result to the GINA transceiver or power adapter. Do not attempt to defeat the purpose of the polarizing plug of the power adapter.

4. Connect the power adapter (supplied) output cable to the 12 VDC power adapter jack on the rear of the GINA transceiver.
5. Connect the power adapter to an outlet with the rated voltage and cycle compliance for the adapter provided.
6. Connect the antenna to the ANT connector on the rear of the GINA transceiver.
7. Turn the ON/OFF switch to the ON position.
8. Verify that the PWR indicator on the front panel of the GINA transceiver (see figures 2-2 and 2-3) is lit.



Figure 2-2. GINA Transceiver Front Panel

9. If you have purchased a GINA model 6000NV or 8000NV, connect the voice handset to the RJ-22 handset jack on the front panel of the transceiver (see figure 2-3.)



Figure 2-3. GINA Transceiver Front Panel

Hardware installation is now complete.

Software Installation

The GINA Models 6000N, 6000NV, 8000N, and 8000NV transceivers are designed for operation with the GTALK software and an IBM compatible personal computer. However, GINA may be operated with any commercially available communications software such as BitCom[®], Procomm[®], Crosstalk[®], or any special communications software provided by the customer. The GINA transceiver may also be operated with Data Terminal Equipment (DTE) rather than using a PC.

The operating software consists of one executable file: GTALK.EXE. GRE America recommends that you make a working copy of the diskette, then place the original in a safe place. You can install the software to the hard disk or run it from the diskette. We recommend that you install the program to a hard disk, since operation is much faster. To install the software, proceed as follows:

1. Select the hard drive on which you wish to install the software. Disk storage requirements is approximately 254 Kbytes. For purposes of explanation, we will assume that you are using drive C.
2. Go to the C drive. Type: **c: <ENTER>**
3. Go to the root directory. Type: **cd\<ENTER>**

4. Make a GINA directory. Type: **md gina<ENTER>**
5. Go to the GINA directory. Type: **cd gina<ENTER>**
6. The screen displays: C:\GINA>
7. Place the GTALK diskette in the diskette drive and close the door.
8. At the DOS prompt, type: **copy a:*.*<ENTER>**
9. The screen displays: (1)FILE(S) COPIED.
10. To verify that the software is properly installed, type:
dir<ENTER>

11. The screen displays the following (dates, times, and file size will differ):

```
          <DIR>          06-04-94   12:00p
..          <DIR>          06-04-94   12:00p
GTALK.EXE 253,984  11-29-93   11:00a
```

NOTE: Your computer must have an available COM1 communications port to use the GTALK software. If your COM1 port is in use, you must free it for GTALK. Refer to your computer operating manual for details.

12. Initialize your COM1 port for 9600 baud, no parity, 8 data bits and one stop bit by entering the following command from the DOS prompt: **mode com1:96,N,8,1 <ENTER>**

NOTE: You can insert the mode command in your autoexec.bat file to avoid performing step 12. Otherwise, when you reboot your computer, the COM port will revert to the DOS default of 24,n,8,1.

13. The screen displays: COM1: 96,N,8,1

Software installation is now complete.

GINA Models 6000N, 6000NV, 8000N, & 8000NV

Overview

GINA models 6000N and 8000N are stand-alone, high frequency data transceivers using spread spectrum technology. GINA 6000N/8000N has a standard RS-232 serial data interface that can be driven asynchronously at rates to 38.4 Kbps. GINA 6000N receives and transmits data in the frequency range of 902 to 928 MHz at air speeds to 128 Kbps. GINA 8000N receives and transmits data in the frequency range of 2.404 - 2.478 GHz at air speeds of up to 128 Kbps. Communicating at this speed allows GINA to be a duplex link. GINA 6000N/8000N can be configured to be used as a point-to-point or point-to-multipoint communication device. GINA 6000N/8000N contains a packet controller module with a custom communication protocol that provides communications handshaking, error detection, retry, packet sequencing, flow control, and repeaters to extend the communication range. GINA 6000N/8000N implements a subset of standard packet framing with a built in Cyclic Redundancy Check (CRC) and High Level Data Link Control (HDLC). The protocol used is a modified X.25 protocol. GINA 6000N/8000N automatically resends all information until it is completely received with no errors in the point-to-point mode. The point-to-point mode assures extremely accurate data transmission.

GINA Command Structure Overview

The GINA can be configured for point-to-point or point-to-multipoint by selecting the ID (refer to the Command section for more information). Use ID settings 1 through 99 for point-to-point communication. Use ID settings 100 through 119 for point-to multipoint communication.

In a point-to-point configuration, GINA must establish a link before it can receive or transmit. Each GINA must have an individual ID from 1 through 99. In a point-to-multipoint configuration, all remote (receiver) GINA(s) must have the same ID but the ID must be different from the sender's (host) ID. Figure 4-1 is a flow chart illustrating the command structure overview.

GINA provides four modes of operation:

1. **COMMAND MODE.** The command mode is where the dedicated command set can be changed. This mode is automatically entered when GINA is turned on.

2. **CONVERSE MODE.** The converse mode is a conversational mode that only sends data after a SENDPAC command character is entered or when the packet size is exceeded.

NOTE: To return to the command mode from the converse mode, enter the command mode character set by using the command COMCHR. The default command mode character is <CTRL> + <C>).

3. **TRANSPARENT MODE.** The transparent mode makes GINA completely transparent to the user. The data is immediately transmitted if the PACWAIT or PACSIZE command limits are exceeded.

NOTE: To return to the command mode to disconnect or change parameters, press <CTRL> + <V> three times in succession. This forces GINA into the converse mode. Then press <CTRL> + <C> and a CMD prompt displays indicating you are in the command mode.

4. **PERMANENT CONNECT MODE.** The permanent mode is similar to the transparent mode, except that there is no escape character to return back to the command mode to disconnect. Once a communication link is established in the permanent mode, the only way to disconnect is by turning GINA off.

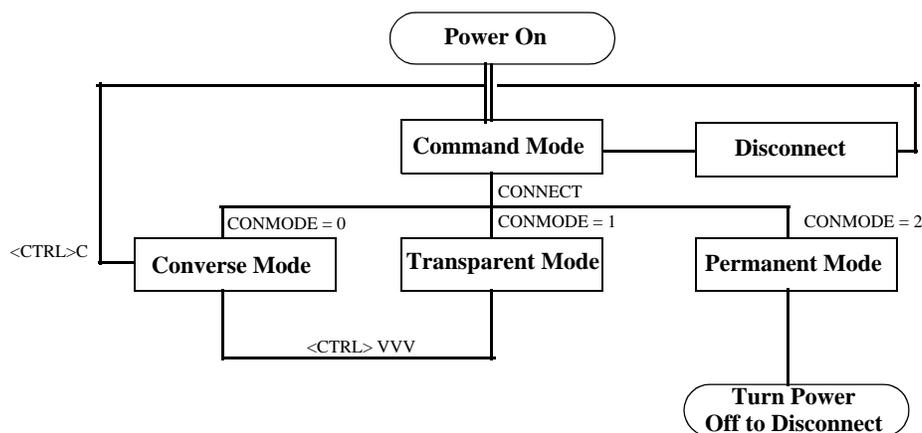


Figure 4-1. Command Structure Flow Chart

Operation

This section contains operating instructions for the GINA transceiver and our dedicated GTALK communication software. Information in this section is presented in the following order:

1. Getting started with GINA.
2. GTALK Menu Commands. This part describes the software menu system.
3. Basic file transfer. This part explains how to set up the GINA sending transceiver software and select the ASCII or print files to be transferred.
4. Auxiliary operations. This part explains miscellaneous commands and functions available as part of the GINA operating software. You most likely will not use most of them in normal operations. However, certain specialized applications require some adjustment of operating parameters. If you are not sure of the effect of an operation or function, do not use it without contacting GRE America customer service personnel.
5. Print server operation. This part explains how to set up a GINA transceiver as a dedicated print server.
6. Voice operation. This part explains how to use the press-to-talk (PTT) handset (Models 6000NV/8000NV only).

Getting Started with GINA

We recommend that first time users use our factory settings. This will help to familiarize yourself with GINA.

Below describes a quick and easy approach to get two GINA radio communicating in a point-to-point (broadcast) configuration:

1. Follow the installation procedure in the Installation section to connect each radio to a personal computer. You may use any communication software you desire or our own GTALK software in your PC.
2. Set the communication software to 9600 baud rate, 8 bit, none parity and one stop bit.

3. Turn on GINA. The prompt: **CMD>** displays on the screen. If the **CMD>** prompt does not appear, check your cable connection or communication software setup.
4. Set each radio to different ID values from 1 through 99. The ID can be set by entering **ID=?** at the **CMD>** prompt.
5. Now you are ready to establish a communication link. The link is established by instructing GINA what ID to connect to. Do this by entering **C= ID of destination unit**. GINA automatically connects and enters into the transparent mode.
6. Once connected, the two GINAs are completely transparent. There are two ways to return to the command mode:
 - a. Disconnect the link by entering **DC** at the **CMD>** prompt.
 - b. Enter **<CTRL> + <V>** three consecutive times followed by **<CTRL> + <C>**. If the sequence is entered correctly, a **CMD>** prompt displays.

Below describes a quick and easy approach to get two GINA radio communicating in a point-to-multipoint configuration:

1. Follow the installation procedure in the Installation section to connect each radio to a personal computer. You may use any communication software you desire or our own GTALK software in your PC.
2. Set the communication software to 9600 baud rate, 8 bit, none parity and one stop bit.
3. Turn on GINA. The prompt: **CMD>** displays on the screen. If the **CMD>** prompt does not appear, check your cable connection or communication software setup.
4. Set the Transmitter (Host) and Receiver(s) (Remote) to different ID values (from 100 through 119). The ID can be set by entering **ID=?** at the **CMD>** prompt.

NOTE: Make sure all Receiver(s) (Remote) are set to the same ID.

5. Now you are ready to establish a communication link. The link is established by instructing GINA what ID to broadcast to. This is done by entering **C= ID of Remote(s) unit** on the Host GINA and **C=ID of the Host unit** on the Remote(s) GINA. GINA automati-

cally enters the transparent mode.

NOTE: When the GINAs are in the point-to-multipoint (broadcast) configuration, GINA only performs a CRC check when data is received. If the data becomes corrupted, GINA discards the data block.

GTALK Menu Commands

Figure 4-2 is a flowchart of the GTALK menu system. The menu shows the 30 different menu commands and functions. Many of the commands are seldom used but are provided to give the user maximum control and flexibility. The commands used for basic file transfer are described in the next two paragraphs. These are the commands that you will use most often.

NOTE: All menu commands may be entered from the command line when in the command mode. In the following instructions, the screens are shown as they appear on your monitor. You may select any item by using the cursor arrow keys to highlight it, then pressing <ENTER>. You may also select an item by pressing the key corresponding to the letter highlighted in the menu.

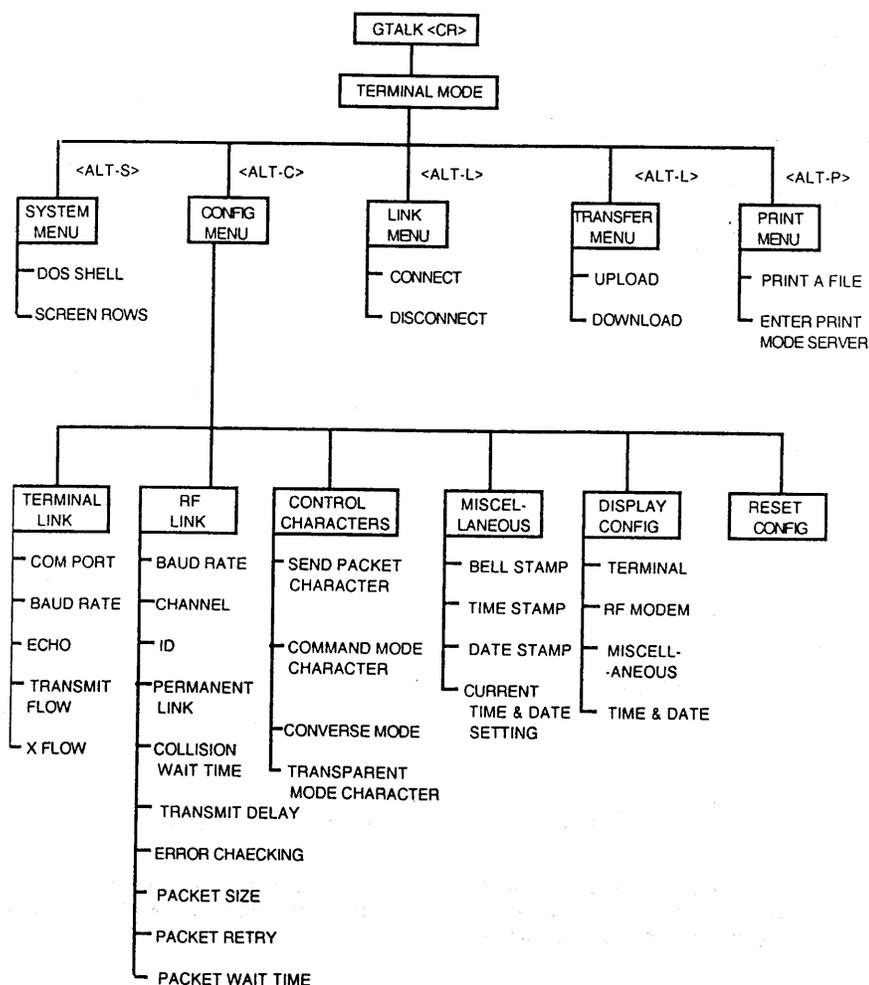


Figure 4-2. GTALK Menu Flowchart

Basic File Transfer

To operate GINA and the GTALK software, proceed as follows:

1. Make sure that the hardware and software are installed correctly.
2. At the DOS prompt, make sure you are in the C drive by typing: **c:<ENTER>**.
3. The computer displays: C:\subdirectory or C:\
4. At the DOS prompt, type: **cd\GINA<ENTER>**.
5. The computer displays: C:\GINA>.

6. Start GTALK by typing: **GTALK<ENTER>**.
7. The GTALK opening screen displays. Press **<ALT> + <C>** twice and the following displays:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurations
rEset all configurations
```

8. Use the cursor arrows to highlight the first line to select Terminal ==>RF Modem Link and press **<ENTER>**. The following screen displays:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF mo
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur
set COM Port
set Baud rate
set Echo
set Transparent flow
set tRansmit flow
set X flow
```

9. Select Set COM Port. The following screen displays:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF mo
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur
set COM Port
set Baud rate
set Echo
set Transparent flo
set tRansmit flow
set X flow
COM1
COM2
```

NOTE: Your computer must have an available COM1 communications port to use the GTALK software. If your COM1 port is in use, you must free it for GTALK. Refer to your computer operating manual for details.

10. Select COM1 and press <ENTER>. Select set Baud rate and the following screen displays:

```
System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF mo
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur
set COM Port
set Baud rate
set Echo
set Transparent
set tRansmit flo
set X flow
A. 2400
B. 4800
C. 9600
D. 19200
E. 38400
```

CAUTION: The same baud rate must be used at both the sending and receiving units.

11. Select the desired baud rate and press <ENTER>. GRE strongly recommends that you accept the default rate of 9600.

NOTE: If none of the baud rates are highlighted, STOP. DO NOT PROCEED. Either you have not connected the GINA transceiver right or you have not turned the transceiver on. Check all connections and make sure the PWR lamp on the transceiver is ON.

12. When you select a highlighted baud rate, the baud rate box will close. Press <ESC> to return to the first screen, then select RF Modem=>RF Modem Link and the following screen displays:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur
set Baud rate
set Channel
set ID
set Alternate ID
set Permanent link
set cOllision wait time
set Transmit delay
set Error checking
set packet Size
set packet Retry maximum
set packet Wait time
```

13. Select set Baud rate and the following screen displays:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
```

```
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur

set Baud rate
set Channel
set ID
set Alternate ID
set Permanent link
set cOllision wait
set Transmit delay
set Error checking
set packet Size
set packet Retry maximum
set packet Wait time
```

```
A. 32,000
B. 64,000
C. 128,000
D. 256,000
```

CAUTION: The same baud rate must be used at both the sending and receiving units.

14. Select the desired baud rate and press <ENTER>. GRE strongly recommends that you accept the default rate of 128,000.

NOTE: The baud rate of 256,000 is not available.

15. When you select a highlighted baud rate, the baud rate box will close. Press <ESC> to return to the first screen, then select Set Channel. The following screen displays:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
```

```
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur

set Baud rate
set Channel
set ID
set Alternate ID
set Permanent link
set cOllision wait time
set Transmit delay
set Error checking
set packet Size
set packet Retry maximum
set packet Wait time
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```
Enter a new RF channel.
Range (1 - 21): 0
```

16. This screen selects the RF channel (frequency) that the transceiver transmits and receives. When communicating with another transceiver both units must be set to the same channel. Depending on the time of day and local atmospheric conditions, the channel number selected can affect the range of the unit. If you are experiencing marginal reception conditions, try changing the channel until maximum performance is reached. Channel 11 usually produces satisfactory results.

17. Select the set ID line and the following screen displays:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected F1: Help

```
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur
set Baud rate
set Channel
set ID
set Alternate ID
set Permanent link
set cOLLision wait time
set Transmit delay
set Error checking
set packet Size
set packet Retry maximum
set packet Wait time
```

```
Enter your computer's ID number.
Range (1 - 99): 0
```

18. The ID is the number loaded into GINA internal memory as the station ID. The ID is inserted automatically into the address field of all packets transmitted. Two or more stations cannot use the same ID number if they are transmitting and receiving on the same channel at the same time. Type a unique ID number, then press <ENTER>. The ID screen will close.

19. Press <ESC> then select Display configuration. The following screen (with an ID of 1 selected) displays:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Connected To: 12 F1: Help

Terminal «-» RF modem		RF modem «-» RF modem	
COM port	COM1	Baud rate	128000
Baud rate	9600	Channel	11
Echo	OFF	ID	2
Transparent flow	OFF	Alternate ID	0
Transmit flow	OFF	Permanent link	ON
X flow	OFF	Collision wait time	115 x 10ms
Connection		Transmit delay	5 x 5ms
0 -> 0 -> 0 ----> 12		Error checking	ON
R1 R2 R3 Dest		Packet size	239
Miscellaneous		Packet retry maximum	18
Bell stamp	ON	Packet wait time	AFTER 5 x 10ms
Time stamp	ON	Control characters	
Date stamp	OFF	Send packet	13 <CTRL-M>
Current time 4:05:59 pm		Command mode	3 <CTRL-C>
Current date 10-03-94		Converse mode	21 <CTRL-U>
		Transparent mode	18 <CTRL-R>

20. Press <ESC> and the configuration display window will close. Select Link and the following screen displays:

| System | Config | **Link** | Transfer | Print | Not Connected F1: Help

Connect
Disconnect

21. Press <ENTER> and the following screen displays:

| System | Config | **Link** | Transfer | Print | Not Connected F1: Help

Destination ID:	0
Repeater 1 ID:	0
Repeater 2 ID:	0
Repeater 3 ID:	0

22. Type the ID number of the computer to which you wish to connect. If you will be routing transmission through repeaters, press the right arrow cursor position key to step through the repeater IDs and type the ID numbers of the computers that are functioning as repeaters.

Auxiliary Operations

System Menu

The system menu has three selections: DOS Shell, Screen Row, and Quit.

DOS Shell

If you select DOS Shell (see screen display below), you will temporarily exit the GTALK program.

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
DOS shell
set number of screen Rows
Quit
```

The following prompt displays:

```
Type EXIT to return to Gtalk.
C:\GINA>
```

CAUTION: DO NOT enter the DOS Shell while you are transmitting or receiving; any file being transferred will be lost.

NOTE: GTALK operation will be suspended while you are in the DOS shell.

When you are finished using DOS, type: **exit** <ENTER> to return to GTALK.

Set Number of Screen Rows

As shown below, you may select either 25 lines per screen (default) or 40 lines per screen. Set it according to your preference.

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
DOS shell
set number of screen Rows
Quit
A. 25 Rows
B. 43/50 Rows (EGA/UGA)
```

The screen appearance set at 40 rows is shown below.

```
DOS shell
set number of screen Rows
Quit
```

Quit

If you select Quit, the GTALK program will terminate, and you will be returned to the DOS prompt.

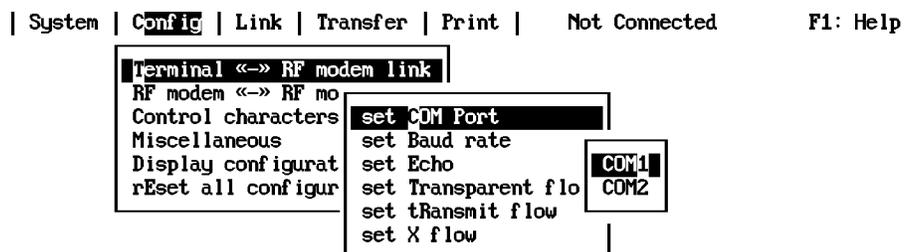
Config Terminal ⇔ RF Modem Menu

This menu allows access to five different functions:

Set COM Port

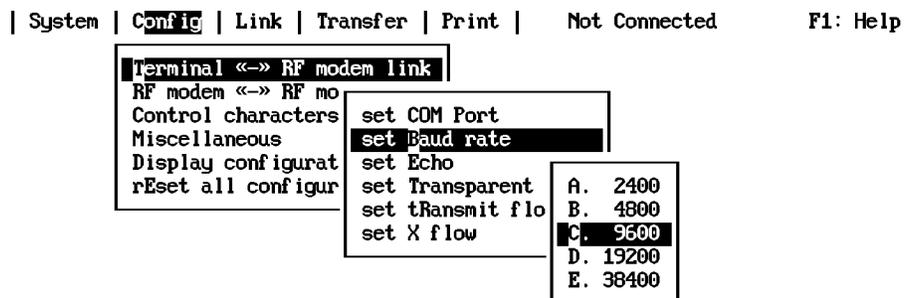
As shown below, you must select COM1 for GTALK operation.

NOTE: Your computer must have an available COM1 communications port for GTALK. If your COM1 port is in use, you must free it for GTALK. Refer to your computer operating manual for details.



Set Baud Rate

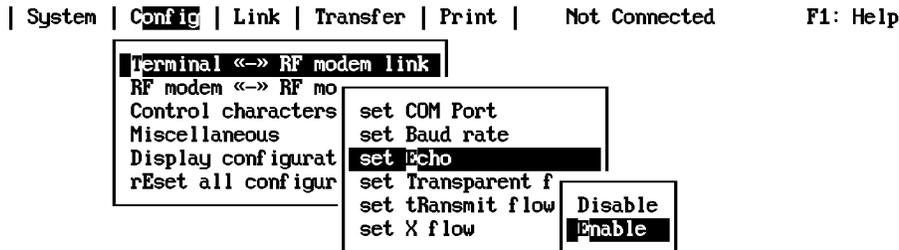
As shown below, this command sets the asynchronous link baud rate. You may choose from the standard rates: 2400, 4800, 9600 (default), 19200, or 38400.



CAUTION: The same baud rate must be used at both the sending and receiving units.

Set Echo

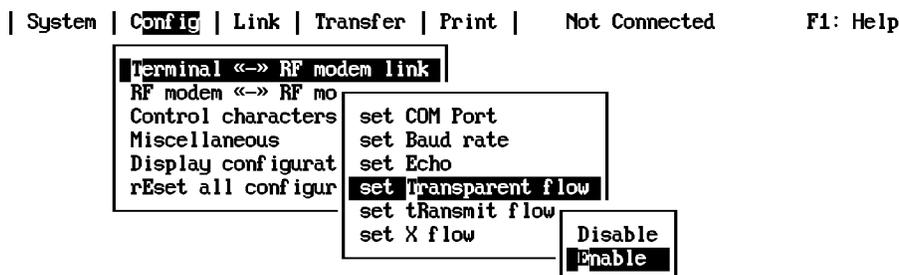
As shown below, the echo may be enabled (default) or disabled. When echo is enabled, characters received from the sending unit are echoed on the computer display. When echo is disabled, characters are not displayed. Echoing is disabled when in the transparent mode.



Set Transparent Flow

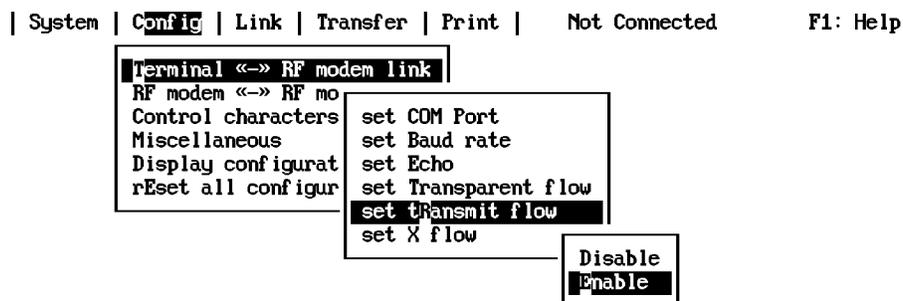
When transparent flow is disabled, software flow control is disabled in the transparent mode. Hardware flow control is used so that data received by GINA are transmitted as data.

When transparent flow is enabled (default), software flow control can be activated in the transparent mode. START and STOP characters control input from the DTE. The transparent flow parameter must also be enabled if XFLOW is enabled. A screen display is shown below:



Set Transmit Flow

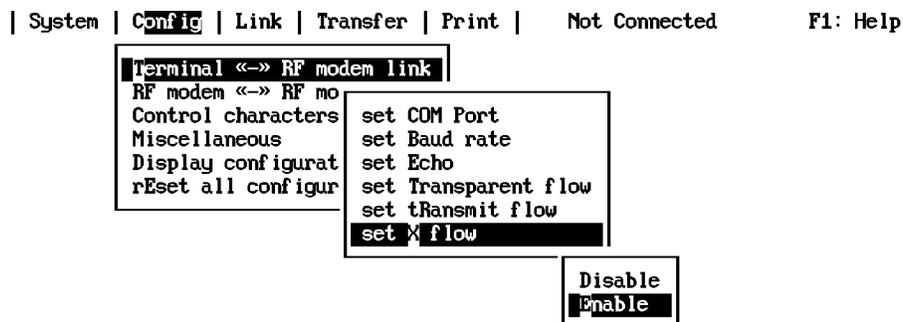
As shown below, transmit flow may be enabled or disabled (default) When transmit flow is disabled, software flow control is disabled in the transparent mode. Hardware flow control is used so that data sent to the transceiver is transparent. When transmit flow is enabled, software flow control can be activated in the transparent mode.



NOTE: Transmit flow must be set to enable if you enable transparent flow. (See description above).

Set Xflow

As shown below, XFLOW may be enabled (default) or disabled. When XFLOW is enabled, XON/XOFF flow control is activated. When XFLOW is disabled, the transceiver sends hardware flow control commands via the RS-232 RTS (Ready To Send) line.



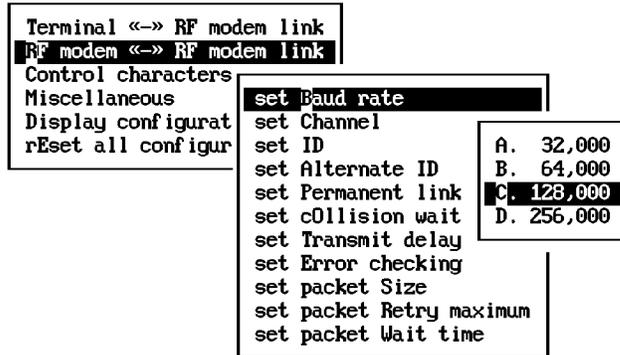
Config RF Modem ⇔ RF Modem Link Menu

This menu allows access to ten different functions:

Set Baud Rate

As shown below, RF BAUD RATE sets the radio transmission baud rate. The following baud rates are available: 32000, 64000, 128000 (default), or 256000*.

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected F1: Help



CAUTION: The same baud rate must be used at the sending and receiving units.

* Not available on GINA Model 6000

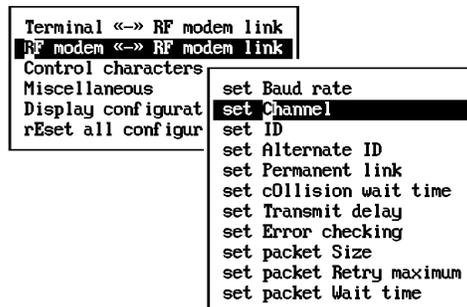
Set Channel

You may select a channel number in the range 1 to 21. Channel numbers and frequencies are shown in table 4-1. Channel refers to the RF channel (frequency) that the transceiver transmits and receives. When communicating with another transceiver, both units must be set to the same channel. Depending on time of day and local atmospheric conditions, the channel number selected can affect the range of the unit. If you are experiencing marginal reception conditions, try changing the channel until maximum performance is reached. Channel 11 usually produces satisfactory results.

CAUTION: Changing the channel number while transmitting or receiving will cause a loss of communication.

A screen display for the select channel command is shown below:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected F1: Help



Enter a new RF channel.
Range (1 - 21): 0

CHANNEL CODE SWITCH SETTINGS FOR GINA MODELS 6000N AND 6000NV		
CHANNEL	FREQUENCY (MHz)	PN CODE
1	905.055	1
2	906.055	2
3	907.055	3
4	908.055	4
5	909.055	2
6	910.055	3
7	911.055	4
8	912.055	1
9	913.055	3
10	914.055	4
11	915.055	1
12	916.055	2
13	917.055	4
14	918.055	1
15	919.055	2
16	920.055	3
17	921.055	1
18	922.055	2
19	923.055	3
20	924.055	4
21	925.055	2

CHANNEL CODE SWITCH SETTINGS FOR GINA MODELS 8000N AND 8000NV			
1	2.405	1000110000	1
2	2.406	1000101000	2
3	2.408	1000100100	3
4	2.410	1000110100	3
5	2.412	1000100010	1
6	2.414	1000101010	2
7	2.416	1000100110	3
8	2.418	1000101110	4
9	2.420	1000111110	4
10	2.422	1000101001	2
11	2.424	1000100101	3
12	2.426	1000101101	4
13	2.428	1000100011	1
14	2.430	1000101011	2
15	2.433	1000100111	3
16	2.435	1000101111	4
17	2.437	1001100000	1
18	2.439	1001101000	2
19	2.441	1001100100	3
20	2.443	1001110100	3
21	2.445	1001100010	1
22	2.447	1001101010	2
23	2.449	1001100110	3
24	2.451	1001101110	4
25	2.453	1001111110	4
26	2.455	1001101001	2

CHANNEL CODE SWITCH SETTINGS FOR GINA MODELS 8000N AND 8000NV			
27	2.457	1001100101	3
28	2.59	1001101101	4
29	2.461	1001100011	1
30	2.463	1001101011	2
31	2.465	1001100111	3
32	2.467	1001101111	4
33	2.469	1010100000	1
34	2.471	1010101000	2
35	2.473	1010100100	3
36	2.475	1010110100	3
37	2.478	1010100010	1

Set ID

The ID number can be any number in the range 1 to 99. Each GINA must have a unique ID number. The ID is the number loaded into GINA internal memory as the station ID. The ID is inserted automatically into the address field of all packets transmitted. A screen display follows:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected F1: Help

Terminal «-» RF modem link
RF modem «-» RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur

set Baud rate
set Channel
set ID
set Alternate ID
set Permanent link
set cOllision wait time
set Transmit delay
set Error checking
set packet Size
set packet Retry maximum
set packet Wait time

Enter your computer's ID number.
Range (1 - 99): 1

CAUTION: Two or more stations cannot use the same ID number if they are transmitting and receiving on the same channel at the same time.

Set Permanent Link

The permanent link feature may be enabled (default) or disabled. When the permanent link is disabled, the transceiver can connect to and disconnect from other units. If the permanent link is enabled after a connection is established, the GINA control module will not allow a disconnect until a permanent link disabled command is entered. You may set the permanent link to enabled only after a connection with another GINA has been made. A screen display follows:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected F1: Help

Terminal «-» RF modem link
RF modem «-» RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur

set Baud rate
set Channel
set ID
set Alternate ID
set Permanent Link
set cOllision wait ti
set Transmit delay
set Error checking
set packet Size
set packet Retry maximum
set packet Wait time

Disable
Enable

Set Collision Wait Time

The collision wait time is entered as a number in the range 0 to 255, where 1=10 milliseconds (default = 1). A collision wait period forces the GINA control module to pause after the last transmission for the time specified in the argument. GRE America strongly recommends that you use the default value. If you experience garbled data, try increasing the collision wait time in multiples of ten until the problem is solved.

CAUTION: All GINAs in the same network must use the same collision wait time. Do not change this parameter unless you are experienced in networking and packet timing.

If N is set at 255, GINA picks a random time interval from 10 to 680 msec to pause after each retry. If N is set between 1 and 254, the selected interval is fixed after each retry. A screen display follows:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help

Terminal «-» RF modem link	
RF modem «-» RF modem link	
Control characters	
Miscellaneous	set Baud rate
Display configurat	set Channel
rEset all configur	set ID
	set Alternate ID
	set Permanent link
	set collision wait time
	set Transmit delay
	set Error checking
	set packet Size
	set packet Retry maximum
	set packet Wait time

Enter wait time after collision (x10 milliseconds).
Range (1 - 255): 115 <input type="text"/>

Set Transmit Delay

The transmit delay time is entered as a number in the range 0 to 512 and is the time the control module waits before sending packet frame data after asserting RTS on the RS-232 interface. In this instance, 1=5 milliseconds (default = 50). The minimum setting to be used should be 3 (= 15 milliseconds). GRE America recommends that you use the default value. A screen display is shown below:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help

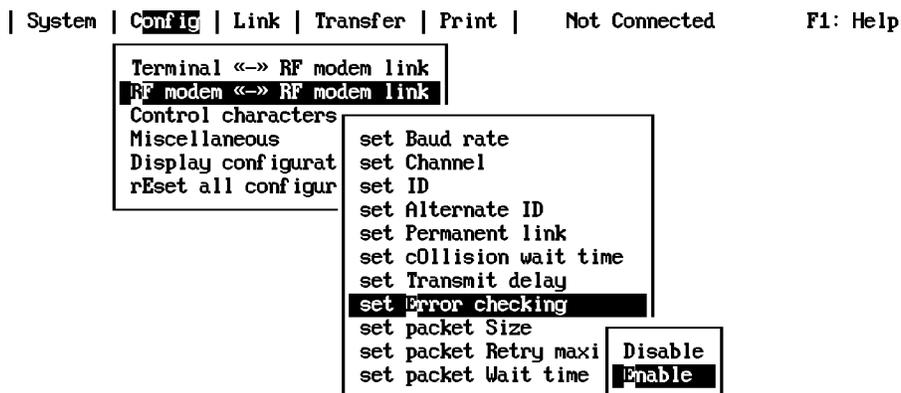
Terminal «-» RF modem link	
RF modem «-» RF modem link	
Control characters	set Baud rate
Miscellaneous	set Channel
Display configurat	set ID
rEset all configur	set Alternate ID
	set Permanent link
	set cOLLision wait time
	set transmit delay
	set Error checking
	set packet Size
	set packet Retry maximum
	set packet Wait time

Enter the transmit delay (x5 milliseconds).
Range (1 - 512): 50

CAUTION: Do not change this parameter unless you are experienced in networking and packet timing.

Set Error Checking

As shown below, error checking can be enabled (default) or disabled. If error checking is disabled, the software displays packets received that contain cyclic redundancy check (CRC) errors. These packets are accepted for display if they total a number that is a multiple of eight bits up to 330 bytes. Error checking is normally enabled. This ensures that all packet data is error free. Error checking is normally used by maintenance personnel to troubleshoot a network, although this is of limited value, since 'packets' are displayed periodically, and there is no way to distinguish between actual data and random noise.



Set Packet Size

The packet size is entered as a number in the range 5 to 1024. The default is 256. The packet size specifies the maximum number of user data bytes contained in each packet information field. User data are characters typed at the keyboard or sent from an ASCII file. The GINA control module sends a packet when the number of characters sent from the keyboard or file reaches the number set by packet size of user data bytes contained in each packet information field. A screen display is shown below:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help

Terminal «-» RF modem link	
RF modem «-» RF modem link	
Control characters	
Miscellaneous	set Baud rate
Display configurat	set Channel
rEset all configur	set ID
	set Alternate ID
	set Permanent link
	set cOllision wait time
	set Transmit delay
	set Error checking
	set packet Size
	set packet Retry maximum
	set packet Wait time

Enter packet size
Range (5 - 1024): 239

Set Packet Retry Maximum

The packet retry maximum amount is entered as a number in the range 3 to 255. The default is 18. This number specifies the maximum number of times to retransmit a data packet. Data packets are retransmitted the number of times selected before the link is disconnected. If you are located in an area of marginal reception or if you are experiencing an unusual number of disconnects, try increasing the value of packet retry amount. If a disconnect occurs, the following message displays (except in transparent mode):

DISCON IS COMPLETED

A screen display is shown below:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur
set Baud rate
set Channel
set ID
set Alternate ID
set Permanent link
set cOLLision wait time
set Transmit delay
set Error checking
set packet Size
set packet Retry maximum
set packet Wait time

Enter maximum number of packet retries.
Range (3 - 255): 18
```

Set Packet Wait Time

The packet wait time is selected as EVERY or AFTER and a number in the range 5 to 250, where 1=10 milliseconds (default = AFTER, 5). When EVERY is selected, characters are packetized and sequenced for transmission N X 10 msec. When AFTER is selected, characters are packetized and sequenced for transmission when input from the terminal stops for N X 10 msec.

CAUTION: Do not change this parameter unless you are experienced in networking and packet timing.

A screen display is shown below:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
```

```
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configurat
rEset all configur

set Baud rate
set Channel
set ID
set Alternate ID
set Permanent link
set cOllision wait time
set Transmit delay
set Error checking
set packet Size
set packet Retry maximum
set packet Wait time
```

```
Enter packet occurance and wait time.
Packaged (EVERY/AFTER): AFTER Range (5 - 250): 5 x 10ms
```

Config Control Characters Menu

The GTALK software uses special control characters (sometimes referred to as 'hot' keys) to control four functions:

- The send packet character <CTRL> + <M>
- Enter command mode <CTRL> + <C>
- Enter converse mode <CTRL> + <V>
- Enter transparent mode <CTRL> + <T>

Since many computer applications use hot keys, GTALK allows you to change the character in the event of a conflict with other applications. If there isn't a conflict with other software, do not change the control characters.

NOTE: You must type the ASCII decimal code for the character you want to use. For example, the default character for the send packet character is decimal 13 or <Ctrl-M>. Refer to the table of ASCII equivalents in Appendix D for a list of characters.

Set Send Packet Character

This menu allows you to change the send packet character. A screen display is shown below:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected F1: Help

```
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configura
rEset all configu
set Send packet character
set Command mode character
set cOnverse mode character
set Transparent mode character
```

```
Send character: Enter value or press key desired.
Range (0 - 127): 13 <CTRL-M>
```

Set Command Mode Character

This menu allows you to change the command mode character. A screen display is shown below:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help

Terminal «-» RF modem link	
RF modem «-» RF modem link	
Control characters	
Miscellaneous	
Display configura	set Send packet character
rEset all configu	set Command mode character
	set cOnverse mode character
	set Transparent mode character

Command character: Enter value or press key desired.
Range (0 - 127): 3 <CTRL-C>

Set Converse Mode Character

This menu allows you to change the converse mode character. A screen display is shown below:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help

Terminal «-» RF modem link	
RF modem «-» RF modem link	
Control characters	
Miscellaneous	
Display configura	set Send packet character
rEset all configu	set Command mode character
	set cOnverse mode character
	set Transparent mode character

Converse character: Enter value or press key desired.
Range (0 - 127): 22 <CTRL-U>

Set Transparent Mode Character

This menu allows you to change the transparent mode character. A screen display is shown below:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print |      Not Connected      F1: Help
Terminal <--> RF modem link
RF modem <--> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configura
rEset all configu
set Send packet character
set Command mode character
set cOnverse mode character
set transparent mode character
```

```
Transparent character: Enter value or press key desired.
Range (0 - 127): 20 <CTRL-T>
```

Config Miscellaneous Menu

This menu allows access to four different functions:

1. **Set Bell Stamp With Connect Message.** If the bell stamp is enabled (default), three bells are sent with the “Connected to (ID)” message to remote users to notify them that your transceiver has made a connection to theirs. A screen display is shown below:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print |      Not Connected      F1: Help
Terminal <--> RF modem link
RF modem <--> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configura
rEset all configu
set Bell stamp with connect message
set Time stamp with connect mess
set Date stamp with connect mess
set Current time and date
Disable
Enable
```

2. **Set Time Stamp With Connect Message.** If the time stamp is enabled (default), the current time is sent with the “Connected to (ID)” message to remote users to notify them that your transceiver has made a connection to theirs. A screen display is shown below:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
```

```
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configura
rEset all configu
```

```
set Bell stamp with connect message
set Time stamp with connect message
set Date stamp with connect mess
set Current time and date
```

```
Disable
Enable
```

3. **Set Date Stamp With Connect Message.** If the date stamp is enabled (default), the current date is sent with the “Connected to (ID)” message to remote users to notify them that your transceiver has made a connection to theirs. A screen display is shown below:

```
| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
```

```
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF modem link
Control characters
Miscellaneous
Display configura
rEset all configu
```

```
set Bell stamp with connect message
set Time stamp with connect message
set Date stamp with connect message
set Current time and date
```

4. **Set Current Time and Date.** This command sets the GINA internal clock chip in the control module of the transceiver. If your computer has an internal clock and an AUTOEXEC.BAT file, GTALK automatically uses that system date and time. If your machine does not have an internal clock, you may set the time and date with this command. A screen display is shown below:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help

Terminal <-> RF modem link	
RF modem <-> RF modem link	
Control characters	
Miscellaneous	
Display configura	
rEset all configu	

set Bell stamp with connect message
set Time stamp with connect message
set Date stamp with connect message
set Current time and date

Current time: 7:57:13 pm	Current date: 8-29-94
New time: 7:55:58 pm	New date: 8-29-94

Config Display Configuration Menu

If you select this menu item, the current configuration displays. The display shown below shows the default configuration, with channel 11 and ID=1 selected:

| System | **Config** | Link | Transfer | Print | Connected To: 12 | F1: Help

Terminal <-> RF modem		RF modem <-> RF modem	
COM port	COM1	Baud rate	128000
Baud rate	9600	Channel	11
Echo	OFF	ID	2
Transparent flow	OFF	Alternate ID	0
Transmit flow	OFF	Permanent link	ON
X flow	OFF	Collision wait time	115 x 10ms
Connection		Transmit delay	5 x 5ms
0 -> 0 -> 0 ----> 12		Error checking	ON
R1 R2 R3 Dest		Packet size	239
Miscellaneous		Packet retry maximum	18
Bell stamp	ON	Packet wait time	AFTER
Time stamp	ON		5 x 10ms
Date stamp	OFF	Control characters	
Current time 4:05:59 pm		Send packet	13 <CTRL-M>
Current date 10-03-94		Command mode	3 <CTRL-C>
		Converse mode	21 <CTRL-U>
		Transparent mode	18 <CTRL-R>

Config Reset All Configurations Menu

If you select this menu item, the configuration of your system resets to the default configurations described herein.

CAUTION: If you reset all configurations, you must reenter the GINA channel and ID numbers.

Link Menu

| System | Config | **Link** | Transfer | Print | Not Connected F1: Help

Connect
Disconnect

Transfer Menu

| System | Config | Link | **Transfer** | Print | Not Connected F1: Help

Upload file(s)
Download file(s)

Print Menu

NOTE: Use this command only to send a file to a GINA dedicated print server. To print a file on your local printer, use the DOS PRINT command.

If you select this menu item, the screen shown below displays:

Not Connected F1: Help

Destination ID:	0
Repeater 1 ID:	0
Repeater 2 ID:	0
Repeater 3 ID:	0

If you have set up a GINA transceiver as a dedicated print server in your network, enter the ID number of the print server and any repeater ID numbers, then press <ENTER>.

Voice Operation (Models 6000NV & 8000NV Only)

NOTE: GINA only operates with the handset supplied with the unit. Do not attempt to use a standard telephone handset. On Models 6000NV and 8000NV, GINA is provided with a PTT (press-to-talk), release-to-listen handset that connects to the RJ-22 jack on the front panel. It allows a remote user to communicate with the main station. Tonal quality is adequate for communication but not telephone 'toll grade.' Some distortion may be noted, depending on operating environment. Using the handset is quite uncomplicated, but since GINA operates in half-duplex mode (only one person may speak at a time, as opposed to a standard telephone, which is full duplex, allowing both stations to speak simultaneously), we recommend military protocol: To speak, press the PTT switch. When you are finished speaking and expect a reply, say "over," and release the PTT button. When you are finished speaking and do not expect a reply, say "out."

Command Set

This section contains the GINA controller command set, definitions, and instructions for use. GINA must be in the command mode for these commands to have any effect.

(1) **ALTERNATE ID.** For future use.

(2) **BELL STAMP**

Mnemonic: BSTAMP=V
Parameter: V=0(OFF) or 1(ON)
Command abbreviation: B
Default: 1 (ON)
Example: **BSTAMP=1<Enter>** or
B=1<Enter>

Description: Sends three bells with the "Connected to (ID)" message to users to notify them that GINA has established a connection.

Set BSTAMP=0 to suppress the three bells.

(3) **CHANNEL SELECT**

Mnemonic: CHSEL=N
Parameter: N=1 ... 21
Command abbreviation: CH or CS
Default: 11
Example: **CHSEL=11<Enter>** or
CS=11<Enter>

Description: Selects the RF channel (frequency) that the GINA transmits and receives. When communicating with another GINA, both units must be set to the same channel. Depending on the time of day and local atmospheric conditions, the channel number selected can affect the range of the unit. If you are experiencing marginal reception conditions, try changing the channel until maximum performance is reached. Channel 11 usually produces satisfactory results.

CAUTION: Changing the channel number while transmitting or receiving causes a loss of communication. Both GINAs must be set to the same channel to establish a connection.

(4) **COM PORT BAUD RATE**

Mnemonic: COMBAUD=R,P,S,W
Parameter:
R=12 (1200), 24 (2400), 48 (4800),
96(9600), 192 (192,000) and
384 (38,400)
P= 0 (none), 1 (odd) and 2 (even)
S= 1 (1 stop bit) and 2 (2 stop bit).
W= 7 (7 bit) and 8 (8 bit)

Command abbreviation: CB

Default: 96 (9600 baud), 0 (none), 1 (1 stop bit), 8
(8 bit)

Example: COMBAUD=96,0,1,8 <Enter>
or CB=96,0,1,8 <Enter>

Description: COMBAUD sets the asynchronous link baud rate.
COMBAUD is not related to the RF baud rate set by RFBAUD.
The COMBAUD rate is the speed that your peripheral communi-
cates with GINA through the RS-232 serial interface

(5) **COMMAND MODE CHARACTER**

Mnemonic: COMCHR=N
Parameter N=0 ... 127

Command abbreviation: CC

Default: N=3 <Ctrl-C>

Example: COMCHR=3<Enter> or
CC=3<Enter>

Description: COMCHR changes the command mode entry char-
acter that activates the GINA command mode. GRE America recom-
mends that you use the default value. The command character
instructs GINA to enter the command mode from the converse
(menu) mode. The command mode is the mode where GINA can be
configured to change any of the 31 commands.

NOTE: You must type the ASCII decimal code for the character
you want to use. For example, the default character is decimal 3 or
<Ctrl-C>. Refer to the list of ASCII equivalents in Appendix D.

(6) **CONMODE**

Mnemonic: CONMODE=V
Parameter: V=0 (converse mode)
V=1 (transparent mode)
V=2 (permanent mode)

Command abbreviation: CONM

Default: V=1 (transparent mode)

Example: CONMODE=1 <Enter> or
CONM=1 <Enter>

Description: The CONMODE command selects the mode that
GINA enters after a connection is established. The connection can
result either from a connect request received from a distant station
or a connection initiated by entering a CONNECT command.

- Set CONMODE=0: GINA automatically enters the CONVERSE mode when a connection is established.
- Set CONMODE=1: Automatically enters the TRANSPARENT mode.
- Set CONMODE=2: Automatically enters into the PERMANENT mode. The only way to get out of the permanent mode is to power down GINA. This will disconnect the link and enter the COMMAND mode.

NOTE: GRE America's GTALK software overrides CONMODE settings 1 and 2. The GTALK software automatically places GINA into the CONVERSE mode.

(7) **CONNECT**

Mnemonic: CONNECT = Dest, [Rep1],[Rep2],
[Rep3]

Parameter: Dest = 1 ... 119
Rep1 = 1 ... 99
Rep2 = 1 ... 99
Rep3 = 1 ... 99

Command abbreviation: C

Default: No default set

Example: **CONNECT=2 <Enter>** or
C=2 <Enter>

NOTE: Repeater numbers are optional but, when specified, the repeater ID's must be entered in the exact order that they will relay the transmitted signals. For example, the command:

C=2,6,7,8 <Enter>

connects the transmitting location to GINA ID No. 2 via repeaters 6, 7, and 8, in that order.

Description: CONNECT sends a request to a destination station directly or via one or more repeaters. When a connection is made the following message displays on the screen:

Link stat is:CONNECT TO ID n

If the distant station does not acknowledge the connect request, the following message displays on the screen:

CONNECT IS FAILED - UNABLE TO CONNECT REMOTE STATION

*** ID 1-99 is for Point-to-point communication.**

*** ID 100-119 is for point-to-multipoint communication**

NOTE: The caller, repeaters, and destination GINAs must all be set to the same channel. Each GINA communicating on the same channel must have a unique ID number. All remotes must be able to communicate with the last repeater designated.

(8) CONVERSE MODE CHARACTER

Mnemonic: CONVCHR=N
Parameter: N = 0 ... 127
Command abbreviation: CVC
Default: N = 22
Example: CONVCHR =22 <Enter> or
CVC= 22 <Enter>

Description: CONVCHR is the only character that forces GINA out of the transparent mode into the converse mode. The CONVCHR character must be entered three consecutive times. The sequence should be entered as follows:

<Ctrl-V> delay <Ctrl-V> delay <Ctrl-V>

GRE America recommends that you use the default value. Type the character to type the converse mode from the transparent mode.

NOTE: You must type the ASCII decimal code for the character you want to use. For example, the default character is decimal 22 or <Ctrl-V>. Refer to the table of ASCII equivalents in Appendix D for a list of characters.

(9) DATE STAMP

Mnemonic: DSTAMP=N
Parameter: N = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON)
Command abbreviation: DS
Default: 1 (ON)
Example: DSTAMP=1 <Enter> or
DS=1 <Enter>

Description: Sends current date with the "Connected to (ID)" message to users to notify them that GINA has made a connection.

Set DSTAMP=0 if you want to suppress the date.

(10) **DEFAULT WAIT OR COLLISION WAIT TIME**

Mnemonic: DEFWAIT=N
Parameter: N = 1 ... 255 X 10 msec
(time scale)

Command abbreviation: DW

Default: N=1 (10 msec)

Example: **DEFWAIT=1 <Enter>** or
DW=1 <Enter>

Description: DEFWAIT forces the GINA control module to pause for the time specified in the argument if a collision occurs or the GINA sees that the channel is occupied before transmitting. GRE America strongly recommends that you use a different value for each unit. If you experience an excess amount of retries, try increasing the DEFWAIT time in until the problem is solved.

If N is set at 255, GINA picks a random time interval from 10 to 680 msec to pause after each collision retry. If N is set between 1 and 254, the selected interval is fixed after each collision retry.

(11) **DISCONNECT**

Mnemonic: DISCON

Parameter: None

Command abbreviation: DC

Default: Not applicable

Example: **DISCON <Enter>** or
DC <Enter>

Description: DISCON initiates a disconnect request to the station to which you are connected. New connections cannot be made until the disconnect is complete. If the disconnect is successful, the following message displays:

*****DISCON is COMPLETED**

If the retry count is exceeded while waiting for the distant station to acknowledge the disconnect command, GINA disconnects and the following message displays:

*****CONNECT IS FAILED - UNABLE TO CONNECT
REMOTE STATION**

(12) **DISPLAY**

Mnemonic: DISP=N

Parameter: **Where:**

(A)sync = Display asynchronous port parameters
(C)har = Display special characters
(D)aytime = Display date/time stored in GINA
(I)d = Display ID parameters
(L)ink = Display link parameters
(M)isc = Display miscellaneous parameters
(T)iming = Display timing parameters
(Z) = Display command list

Command abbreviation: D

Default: Not applicable

Example: **DISP Z <Enter>** or
D Z <Enter>

Description: DISPLAY lists the current parameter settings.

(A)sync	COMBAUD, ECHO, TRANSFLOW, TXFLOW, XFLOW
(C)har	COMCHR, SENDCHR, TRANSCR
(D)ate	SETTD
(I)d	ID, ALTID
(L)ink	ERRCK, PERMLINK, PACSIZE, RFBAUD
(M)isc	NUMCONS, CHSEL, DSTAMP, MSTAMP, TSTAMP, BSTAMP
(T)iming	DEFWAIT, PACWAIT, PACRETRY, TXDELAY
(Z)	List Control Command Set (CCS)

(13) **ECHO**

Mnemonic: ECHO = N

Parameter: N = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON)

Command abbreviation: E

Default: 0 (OFF)

Example: **ECHO=0 <Enter>** or
E=0 <Enter>

Description: When ECHO is ON, characters received from the sending unit are echoed on the peripheral display. When ECHO is OFF, characters are not displayed. Echoing is disabled when in the transparent mode.

(14) **ERROR CHECKING**

Mnemonic: ERRCHK = V
Parameter: V = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON)
Command abbreviation: EC
Default: 1 (ON)
Example: **ERRCHK=1 <Enter>** or
EC=1 <Enter>

Description: When ERRCHK is OFF, the software displays packets received that contain cyclic redundancy check (CRC) errors. These packets are accepted for display if they total a number that is a multiple of eight bits up to 330 bytes. ERRCHK is normally ON. This assures that all packet data is error free. ERRCHK is normally used by maintenance personnel to troubleshoot a network, although this is of some limited value, since 'packets' are displayed periodically and there is no way to distinguish between actual data and random noise.

(15) **HARDWARE FLOW**

Mnemonic: HARDWARE FLOW = N
Parameter: N = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON)
Command abbreviation: HF
Default: 0 (OFF)
Example: **HARDWARE FLOW=1<Enter>**
or **HF=1 <Enter>**

Description: When HARDWARE FLOW is ON, CTS and RTS are enabled. When HARDWARE FLOW is OFF, CTS and RTS are disabled.

NOTE: If your peripheral requires a three-wire configuration (TXD, RXD, and GND) HARDWARE FLOW should be set to OFF.

(16) **ID**

Mnemonic: ID = N
Parameter: N = 1 ... 119
Command abbreviation: I
Default: None
Example: **ID=1 <Enter>** or
I=1 <Enter>

Description: ID is the number loaded into GINA internal memory as the station ID. The ID is inserted automatically into the address field of all packets transmitted. ID's 1 through 99 are used for point-to-point communication. ID's 100 through 119 are used for point-to-multipoint communication.

CAUTION: Two or more stations cannot use the same ID number if they are transmitting and receiving on the same channel at the same time.

(17) **MESSAGE STAMP**

Mnemonic: MESSAGE STAMP = N
Parameter: N = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON) or
2 (GTALK Mode)

Command abbreviation: MS

Default: 1 (Enable)

Example: **MESSAGE STAMP =1<Enter>** or
MS=1 <Enter>

Description: When MESSAGE STAMP is OFF (0), all stamp functions (date stamp, time stamp, bell stamp, 'connect to,' and 'disconnect' messages) are disabled.

When MESSAGE STAMP is ON (1), all stamp functions are displayed (if activated) except for special GTALK control characters.

When MESSAGE STAMP is in GTALK mode (2), all stamp functions are displayed (if activated) including special GTALK control characters.

NOTE: MESSAGE STAMP 2 should only be used with the GTALK communication software. Set MESSAGE STAMP to 1 if you are not using GTALK.

(18) **PACKET RETRY**

Mnemonic: PACRETRY

Parameter: N = 3 ... 255

Command abbreviation: PR

Default: 10

Example: **PACRETRY =10 <Enter>** or
PR=10 <Enter>

Description: PACRETRY specifies the maximum number of times to retransmit a data packet. Data packets are retransmitted N times before the link is disconnected. If you are located in an area of marginal reception or if you are experiencing an unusual number of disconnects, try increasing the value of PACRETRY. If a disconnect occurs, the following message displays (except in transparent mode):

DISCON IS COMPLETED (time out)

(19) **PACKET SIZE**

Mnemonic: PACSIZE
Parameter: N = 5 ... 1024
Command abbreviation: PS
Default: 256
Example: **PACSIZE =256<Enter>** or
PS=256 <Enter>

Description: PACSIZE specifies the maximum number of user data bytes contained in each packet information field. User data are characters typed at the keyboard or sent from an ASCII file.

The GINA control module sends a packet when the number of characters sent from the keyboard or file reaches the number set by PACSIZE of user data bytes contained in each packet information field. The packet size is used in both the converse and transparent modes.

(20) **PACKET WAIT**

CAUTION: Do not change this parameter unless you are experienced in networking and packet timing.

Mnemonic: PACWAIT = V, N
Parameter: V = 0 (EVERY) or 1 (AFTER)
N = 2 ... 250 X 2 msec (time scale)
Command abbreviation: PW
Default: 1, 5 (AFTER, 10 msec)
Example: **PACWAIT =1,10 <Enter>** or
PW=1,10 <Enter>

Description: When V is set = 0 (EVERY), characters are packetized and sequenced for transmission N X 10 msec.

When V is set = 1 (AFTER), characters are packetized and sequenced for transmission when input from the terminal stops for N X 10 msec.

(21) **PERMANENT CONNECT**

Mnemonic: PERMCONN = N
Parameter: N = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON)
Command abbreviation: PC
Default: 0 (OFF)
Example: **PERMCONN = 0<Enter>** or
PC= 0 <Enter>

Description: When PERMCONNECT is OFF, GINA disconnects if the DC power is turned OFF. If PERMCONNECT is ON, GINA reconnects after the DC power is turned on..

NOTE: If operating in a point-to-multipoint and permanent connect and permanent link are both ON, the only way to disconnect and return to the command mode is to turn the power off three times.

(22) **PERMANENT LINK**

Mnemonic: PERMLINK = N
Parameter: N = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON)
Command abbreviation: PL
Default: 0 (OFF)
Example: **PERMLINK = 0**<Enter> or
PL= 0 <Enter>

Description: When PERMLINK is OFF, GINA can connect to and disconnect from other units after the PACKET RETRY is exceeded. If PERMLINK is set to ON after a connection is established, the GINA control module will not allow a disconnect. GINA remains connected and continues to retry until the destination responds or until GINA is turned off. PERMLINK ON is active only after a connection with another GINA has been made.

NOTE: If operating in a point-to-multipoint and permanent connect and Permanent Link are both ON. The only way to disconnect and return to the command mode is by turning the power off three times.

(23) **RESET**

Mnemonic: RESET
Command abbreviation: NONE
Example: **RESET**

Description: Resets all parameters to factory settings except for COMBAUD, RFBAUD, CHANNEL and ID.

(24) **RF BAUD RATE**

CAUTION: The same baud rate must be used by both the sending and receiving units.

Mnemonic: RFBAUD = N
Parameter: N = 32 (32K), 64 (64K), 128 (128K), or 256* (256K)
Command abbreviation: RF
Default: 128 (128K)
Example: **RFBAUD = 128** <Enter> or
RF = 128 <Enter>

Description: RF BAUD RATE sets the radio transmission baud rate. This is not related to the asynchronous link baud rate.

* Not available on current GINA models

(25) SEND PACKET CHARACTER

Mnemonic: SENDPAC = N
Parameter: N = 0 ... 127
Command abbreviation: SC
Default: 13 (<Ctrl-M>)
Example: SENDPAC = 13 <Enter> or
SC = 13 <Enter>

Description: SENDPAC changes the command mode entry character that activates GINA to send the characters that are stored in the buffer. SENDPAC is only used in the converse mode. GRE America recommends that you use the default value.

NOTE: You must type the ASCII decimal code for the character you want to use. For example, the default character is decimal 13 or <Ctrl-M>. Refer to the table of ASCII equivalents in Appendix D for a list of characters.

(26) SET TIME AND DATE

Mnemonic: SETTD = yymmddhhnnss
Parameter: yy= last two digits of year
mm=two digit month code, 01 - 12
dd=two digit day code, 01 - 31
hh=two digit hour code, 00 - 23
nn=two digit minute code, 00 - 59
ss=two digit second code, 00 - 59

Command abbreviation: STD
Default: None set
Example: STTD=950102123000<Enter>
or STD=950102123000<Enter>

Description: Sets the GINA time and date in the control module.

(27) TIME STAMP

Mnemonic: TSTAMP = N
Parameter: N = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON)
Command abbreviation: TS
Default: 1 (ON)
Example: TSTAMP = 1<Enter> or
TS = 1 <Enter>

Description: Sends current time with the "Connected to (ID)" message to remote users to notify them that GINA has established a connection.

Set TSTAMP=0 if you want to suppress the time.

(28) TRANSMIT DELAY

CAUTION: Do not change this parameter unless you are experienced in networking and packet timing.

Mnemonic: TXDELAY = N
Parameter: N = 3 ... 255 (X5 msec)
Command abbreviation: TXD
Default: 5 (25 msec)
Example: TXDELAY = 5 <Enter> or
TXD = 5 <Enter>

Description: TXDELAY sets the GINA delay time (which is the time the control module waits before sending packet frame data). GRE America recommends that you use the default value

(29) TRANSMIT FLOW

Mnemonic: TXFLOW = N
Parameter: N = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON)
Command abbreviation: TXF
Default: 0 (OFF)
Example: TXFLOW = 0 <Enter> or
TXF = 0 <Enter>

Description: When TXFLOW is OFF, software flow control is disabled in the transparent mode. Hardware flow control is used so that data sent to the transceiver is transparent.

When TXFLOW is ON, software flow control can be activated in the transparent mode. START and STOP characters control input from the DTE. The TRANFLOW parameter must also be ON for XFLOW=1 to work.

NOTE: GRE recommends that you disable TXFLOW if your peripheral does not support this type of 'handshaking.'

(30) TRANSPARENT CHARACTER

Mnemonic: TRANSPARENT=N
Parameter: N = 0 ...127
Command abbreviation: TC
Default: 20 (Ctrl-T)
Example: TRANSPARENT=20 <Enter> or
TC = 20 <Enter>

Description: The TRANSPARENT CHARACTER is used to place GINA into the transparent mode from the converse mode. GRE America recommends that you use the default value.

NOTE: You must type the ASCII decimal code for the character you want to use. For example, the default character is decimal 20 or <Ctrl-T>. Refer to the table of ASCII equivalents in Appendix D for a list of characters.

(31) **TRANSPARENT FLOW**

Mnemonic: TRANSFLOW=V
Parameter: V = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON)
Command abbreviation: TF
Default: 0 (OFF)
Example: TRANSFLOW=0 <Enter> or
TF = 0 <Enter>

Description: When TRANSFLOW is OFF, software flow control is disabled in the transparent mode only. Hardware flow control is available so that data received by GINA is transmitted as data.

When TRANSFLOW is ON, software flow control can be activated in the transparent mode. START and STOP characters control input from the DTE. The TXFLOW parameter must also be ON for XFLOW=1 to work.

(32) **XFLOW**

Mnemonic: XFLOW=V
Parameter: V = 0 (OFF) or 1 (ON)
Command abbreviation: XF
Default: 1 (ON)
Example: XFLOW=0 <Enter> or
XF=0 <Enter>

Description: When XFLOW is ON, XON/XOFF flow control is activated. When XFLOW is OFF, the transceiver sends hardware flow control commands via the RS-232 RTS (Ready to Send) line.

6000N/6000NV SPECIFICATIONS	
Adjacent Channel Rejection	-40dB = 4MHz
Baud Rate Asynchronous	1.2 to 38.4 Kbps Duplex TDD - RS-232 (DB9F)
Channels	21 Programmable
Control	CTS, RTS
Data Format	7 and 8 bits, (none, even, and odd) parity, 1 or 2 stop
Dimensions	(1.52"H) x (4.17"W) x (5.0"D) (38.6mm) x (105.9mm) x (127mm)
Dynamic Range	-100 dBm ~ -30 dBm
Frequency Range	905-928 MHz
Indicators	PWR, TxD, RxD
Modulation	Bi-Phase Shift Keying (BPSK)
PN	7 Stage (127 Chip)
PN Rate	2 Mhz
Operating Mode	Point-to-Point
Operating Temperature	-20 to +60 Degrees C
Extended Temperature Option	-34 to +74 Degrees C
PN Codes	4 PN Codes Sequence varies within each channel
Power Consumption	10 Watt Maximum
Power Requirements	10.5 to 13.8 VDC
Radio Technique	Spread Spectrum Direct Sequence
Range Nominal	800+ feet
Range Indoor	500 to 1500+ feet
Range Outdoor	12+ Miles - Direct Line-of-Site FCC Compliant
Relative Humidity	0-90% Non-Condensing
System Gain	120 dB
Transmission Delay	30 mSec
Voice Option Interface	RJ22

6000N/6000NV SPECIFICATIONS	
Weight	16 oz.
TRANSMITTER	
Carrier Frequency Stability	15KHz
Power Consumption	800mA @ 12 VDC
Spurious Output	FCC Part 15, meets 15.245 & 15.247
Output Power	725 mW (28.6 dBm)
RECEIVER	
Bit Error Rate	10 ⁻⁶ @ -92 dBm
Local Oscillator Stability	15 KHz
Sensitivity Threshold	-100 dBm
Stand-by Power	400mA @ 12 VDC
Signal Acquisition Time	8 mSec
Spurious Rejection	-50 dBm
CONTROLLER	
Buffer	20K Bytes
Collision	CSMA / CDMA
CPU	80C188
Error Control	HDLC
Flow Control	X ON / X OFF and / or CTS / RTS
Packet Size	5 to 1024 Bytes
Packetizing Time	18mS/1 byte, 96 mS/1024 Bytes @ 9600 bps
Repeater	Selectable

8000N/8000NV SPECIFICATIONS	
Adjacent Channel Rejection	-40dB = 4MHz
Baud Rate Asynchronous	1.2 to 38.4 Kbps Duplex TDD - RS-232 (DB9F)
Channels	37 Programmable
Control	CTS, RTS
Data Format	7 and 8 bits, (none, even, and odd) parity, 1 or 2 stop
Dimensions	(1.52"H) x (4.17"W) x (5.0"D) (38.6mm) x (105.9mm) x (127mm)
Dynamic Range	-100 dBm ~ -30 dBm
Frequency Range	2.404 to 2.478 GHz
Indicators	PWR, TxD, RxD
Modulation	Bi-Phase Shift Keying (BPSK)
PN	7 Stage (127 Chip)
PN Rate	2 Mhz
Operating Mode	Point-to-Point
Operating Temperature	-20 to +60 Degrees C
Extended Temperature Option	-34 to +74 Degrees C
PN Codes	4 PN Codes Sequence varies within each channel
Power Consumption	10 Watt Maximum
Power Requirements	10.5 to 13.8 VDC
Radio Technique	Spread Spectrum Direct Sequence
Range Nominal	800+ feet
Range Indoor	500 to 1500+ feet
Range Outdoor	12+ Miles - Direct Line-of-Site FCC Compliant
Relative Humidity	0-90% Non-Condensing
System Gain	119 dB
Transmission Delay	30 mSec
Voice Option Interface	RJ22

8000N/8000NV SPECIFICATIONS	
Weight	16 oz.
TRANSMITTER	
Carrier Frequency Stability	25 KHz
Power Consumption	800 mA @ 12 VDC
Spurious Output	FCC Part 15, meets 15.245 & 15.247
Output Power	500 mW (27 dBm)
Optional Output Power	100 mW
RECEIVER	
Bit Error Rate	10 ⁻⁶ @ -90 dBm
Local Oscillator Stability	25 KHz
Sensitivity Threshold	-100 dBm
Stand-by Power	450mA @ 12 VDC
Signal Acquisition Time	8 mSec
Spurious Rejection	-50 dBm
CONTROLLER	
Buffer	20K Bytes
Collision	CSMA / CDMA
CPU	80C188
Error Control	HDLC
Flow Control	X ON / X OFF and /or CTS / RTS
Packet Size	5 to 1024 Bytes
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Troubleshooting

Introduction

This section contains user information about troubleshooting your GINA system. It also contains information about GRE's limited warranty, software agreement, disclaimer, customer support policies, some common problems and how to solve them, and a description of the GINA self tests and diagnostics.

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General

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Defects will be corrected by GRE America. There will be no charge for labor for a period of 12 months from the date of original sale, except as provided below. Overtime premiums and/or expedited handling and shipping costs must be paid by the owner.

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Equipment must be sent to GRE America at the owner's expense and will be returned via surface carrier at no cost to the owner.

This warranty is strictly limited to the terms indicated herein, and no other warranties or remedies thereunder, express or implied, shall be binding on GRE America.

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General

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Common Problems and Remedies

General Questions

Q. I have problems transferring files. How can I fix this?

A. Check the following:

1. The packet size may be too small. Set packet size to the size of your protocol block.
2. Make sure that hardware flow (HF) is enabled.

Q. When I transfer files with GINA, data is garbled. What causes this?

- A.** This is usually caused by electrical or rf 'noise' interfering with data. Make sure you are using a shielded RS-232 cable. Try relocating GINA so that the antenna is located as far away from your computer video display as possible. If GINA is located in an especially noisy area (for instance, close to large electrical machinery), consider using an external antenna. Refer to Appendix B for details.

Q. When I power up GINA 6000N, no CMD> prompt displays. What is wrong?

- A.** The RS-232 interface between GINA and your peripheral is probably incorrect. Check Appendix A to verify the configuration.

Q. My GINA will not transmit. What is the problem?

- A.** If the TX LED on the front panel does not light, check the RS-232 cable. If your peripheral is not a DTE device, you must switch pins 2 and 3. (You may use a null cable.) Refer to Appendix A for RS-232 information.

Q. My GINA is not receiving data. What is wrong?

- A.** This problem is indicated by the RD LED not blinking. This condition may be caused by one of two conditions:
1. The GINA's are set on different channels. They must be the same.
 2. The GINA is out of range. Consider using an external antenna. Refer to Appendix B for antenna information.

Q. My GINA is receiving strange characters. How can I fix this?

A. This problem can be caused by the following:

1. An incompatible baud rate. GINA will synchronize on any baud rate between 1200 and 38.4 Kbps. If your peripheral is operating outside of this range, you must change it.
2. Spurts of invalid data indicates that someone else is using the same channel. Change channel (on both the transmitting and receiving GINA's).
3. If data is being cut off, your peripheral is ignoring the CTS signal. Some GINA's operate in half duplex mode, so you cannot transmit and receive at the same time. You may only transmit when CTS is active (high).

Q. I occasionally receive an extra character on my GINA. What causes this?

A. This occasionally occurs when there are fluctuations in power and current in the supply voltage, usually upon start-up. If this is a continuing problem in your area, consider using an isolation transformer.

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Q. When I power up GINA, no CMD> prompt displays. What's wrong?

A. The RS-232 interface between GINA and your peripheral is probably incorrect. Refer to Appendix A to verify the configuration.

Q. When I type GTALK to start the program, a blank screen displays (no HELP or CONNECT messages are displayed on the screen). What is wrong?

A. There are three possible reasons for this condition:

1. GINA is not connected to your computer correctly.
2. GINA is not connected to the power adapter or the POWER switch is not ON.
3. The GTALK baud rate and the GINA baud rate are not the same. This happens if GINA is disconnected or powered down before quitting GTALK, or if you reboot your computer before quitting

GTALK. Check all connections and try again. See the next question if you get a time-out message.

Q. When I try to use GINA, I get a red message on the screen saying “Error: Communications timed out - Press any key to continue.” How do I fix this?

A. If you get an error time-out message, proceed as follows:

1. Press <Alt>-C and wait for the error time-out message to appear again.
2. Press <Alt>-C again. The message “Not Connected and F1:Help” displays in the upper right corner of your screen.
3. Wait for the error time-out message to appear again.
4. Press <Alt>-C and the following screen appears:

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| System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF mo
Control characters set COM Port
Miscellaneous set Baud rate
Display configurat set Echo
rEset all configur set Transparent flow
set tRansmit flow
set X flow
  
```

5. Select set baud rate and the following screen displays:

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System | Config | Link | Transfer | Print | Not Connected | F1: Help
Terminal <-> RF modem link
RF modem <-> RF mo
Control characters set COM Port
Miscellaneous set Baud rate
Display configurat set Echo
rEset all configur set Transparent
set tRansmit flo A. 2400
set X flow B. 4800
C. 9600
D. 19200
E. 38400
  
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6. Wait until the error time-out message appears again and press any key to continue.

7. Select the baud rate with the speed that you believe GINA was set at previously.
8. If one of the baud rates is highlighted and the error time-out message does not appear, the system will work properly. If the error message does appear, repeat steps 6 and 7 and try a different baud rate. To prevent this from happening again, always quit GTALK before turning off GINA. **DO NOT REBOOT** your computer while GTALK is running.

Q. I get a “CONNECT IS FAILED - UNABLE TO CONNECT REMOTE STATION” message. What causes this?

- A.** You have exceeded the packet retry count. This can be caused by:
1. The GINA's are set on different channels.
 2. The GINA's are set with different RF baud rates.
 3. The destination GINA is already connected to another GINA. The third party cannot break the link until the original link is disconnected.
 4. The destination GINA hardware flow (HF) is enabled and there is no RS-232 peripheral connected to it or the device is only a three wire system without RTS and CTS. Disable the hardware flow in the command mode.

Q. The “CONNECT TO” message keeps repeating. What do I do?

- ^ The host GINA is not receiving an acknowledgment back from the remote GINA. This may be caused by being on the borderline of the effective range or by a faulty antenna.

Self - Tests and Diagnostics

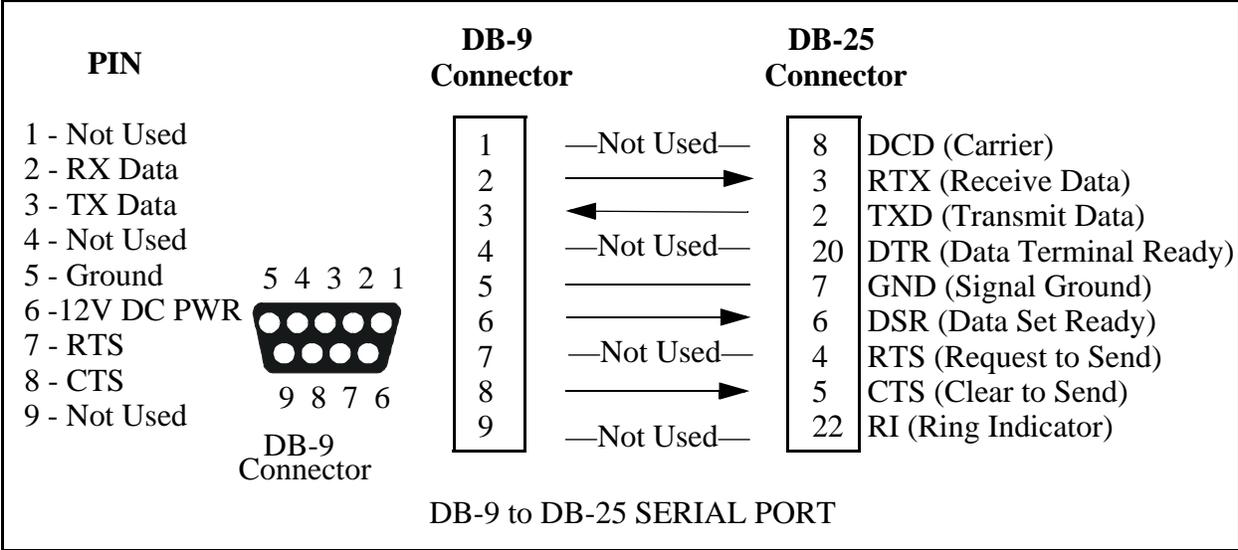
Firmware within GINA performs diagnostic test routines upon initial application of power. The tests perform the following tasks:

- A self test of the CPU chip by execution of a special set of instructions.
- The program memory (EPROM) is tested by doing a byte checksum of the program code.
- The data memory (SRAM) is tested by writing, reading, and verifying the memory with varying data test patterns.
- The serial communications chip (UART) is tested by transmitting and verifying data test patterns.

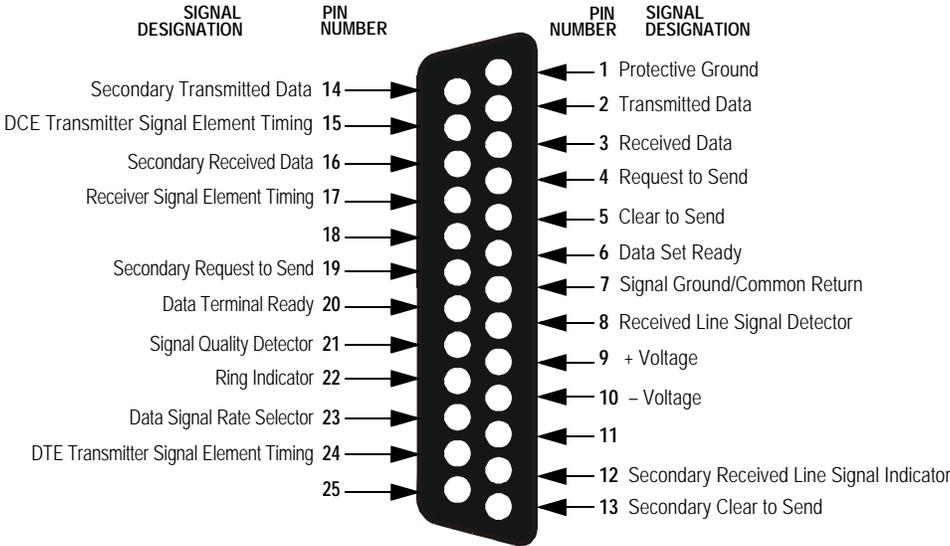
Troubleshooting

In the event of a problem with a GINA transceiver, GRE strongly recommends that you contact the customer support department for assistance. If it is determined that the unit is malfunctioning, return it to GRE for repair or replacement.

Appendix A: RS-232 Configuration Data



RS-232 Interface



Appendix B: Using an External Antenna with GINA

Introduction

This appendix contains information for users who wish to install an outside antenna to improve the transmission/reception range of GINA. GRE America recommends that a professional electrical contractor with experience in antenna installation be used to install the antenna. Users who wish to install their own antenna should follow the instructions below.

CAUTION: Section 810 of the National Electrical Code, ANSI/NFPA No. 70-1994 contains the minimum legal requirements for the installation and protection of outside antennas. Consult your local building or fire department; additional requirements may exist for your location.

NOTE: For additional information regarding outside protection, GRE recommends that you contact Polyphaser and refer to their application notes.

Antenna

Select an antenna suitable for the frequency range of your GINA. If a high gain antenna is going to be used, you must obey the FCC Part 15.247 regulation. The regulation states any professional installer may change to a different antenna and must meet the 6dBi system gain requirements.

GRE offers many optional high gain antennas that are certified with FCC. Each contains our non-standard SMA connector. Three antennas are:

1. 13 dBi Directional Yagi Antenna with a 10 ft. cable.
2. 3 dBd Omnidirectional Antenna with a 10 ft. cable.
3. 3 dBd Patch Antenna with 3 ft. cable.

Contact a GRE sale representative for more details.

Mast/Tower

Generally, the higher the antenna is mounted the greater the improvement in range. Fifteen to twenty feet is adequate for most locations. For longer distances, height may need to be increased.

Grounding

Make sure that the antenna system is grounded to protect against voltage surges, built up static charges, and lightning strikes:

Use No. 10 AWG (5.3 mm) copper or No. 8 AWG (8.4 mm) aluminum wire or larger as a ground wire.

Secure antenna lead-in and ground wires with insulated standoff insulators spaced 4-6 ft.(1.2 - 1.7 m) apart.

Mount the antenna discharge unit as close as possible to where the lead-in enters the building.

Appendix D: The ASCII Character Set

Ctrl	Dec	Hex	Char	Code	Dec	Hex	Char	Dec	Hex	Char	Dec	Hex	Char
^@	0	00		NUL	32	20	sp	64	40	@	96	60	`
^A	1	01	☐	SOH	33	21	!	65	41	A	97	61	a
^B	2	02	☐	STX	34	22	"	66	42	B	98	62	b
^C	3	03	♥	ETX	35	23	#	67	43	C	99	63	c
^D	4	04	♦	EOT	36	24	\$	68	44	D	100	64	d
^E	5	05	♣	ENQ	37	25	%	69	45	E	101	65	e
^F	6	06	♠	ACK	38	26	&	70	46	F	102	66	f
^G	7	07	•	BEL	39	27	'	71	47	G	103	67	g
^H	8	08	☐	BS	40	28	(	72	48	H	104	68	h
^I	9	09	☐	HT	41	29	)	73	49	I	105	69	i
^J	10	0A	☐	LF	42	2A	*	74	4A	J	106	6A	j
^K	11	0B	☐	VT	43	2B	+	75	4B	K	107	6B	k
^L	12	0C	♀	FF	44	2C	,	76	4C	L	108	6C	l
^M	13	0D	⌞	CR	45	2D	-	77	4D	M	109	6D	m
^N	14	0E	⌞	SO	46	2E	.	78	4E	N	110	6E	n
^O	15	0F	*	SI	47	2F	/	79	4F	O	111	6F	o
^P	16	10	⌞	SLE	48	30	0	80	50	P	112	70	p
^Q	17	11	⌞	CS1	49	31	1	81	51	Q	113	71	q
^R	18	12	⌞	DC2	50	32	2	82	52	R	114	72	r
^S	19	13	!!!	DC3	51	33	3	83	53	S	115	73	s
^T	20	14	☐	DC4	52	34	4	84	54	T	116	74	t
^U	21	15	☐	NAK	53	35	5	85	55	U	117	75	u
^V	22	16	|	SYN	54	36	6	86	56	V	118	76	v
^W	23	17	⌞	ETB	55	37	7	87	57	W	119	77	w
^X	24	18	⌞	CAN	56	38	8	88	58	X	120	78	x
^Y	25	19	⌞	EM	57	39	9	89	59	Y	121	79	y
^Z	26	1A	→	SIB	58	3A	:	90	5A	Z	122	7A	z
^[	27	1B	←	ESC	59	3B	;	91	5B	[	123	7B	{
^\ ^	28 28	1C 1C	⌞ ⌞	FS FS	60 60	3C 3C	< <	92 92	5C 5C	\ \ /	124 124	7C 7C	{ | }
^] ^^	29 30	1D 1E	⌞ ▲	GS RS	61 62	3D 3E	= >	93 94	5D 5E] ^	125 126	7D 7E	{ ~
^_ ^_	31 31	1F 1F	▼ ▼	US US	63 63	3F 3F	? ?	95 95	5F 5F	_ -	127 127	7F 7F	Δ

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Dec	Hex	Char									
128	80	Ç	160	A0	á	192	C0	Ļ	224	E0	α
129	81	ü	161	A1	í	193	C1	Ľ	225	E1	β
130	82	é	162	A2	ó	194	C2	Ŧ	226	E2	Γ
131	83	â	163	A3	ú	195	C3	Ŧ	227	E3	Π
132	84	ä	164	A4	ñ	196	C4	Ŧ	228	E4	Σ
133	85	å	165	A5	Ñ	197	C5	Ŧ	229	E5	σ
134	86	ä	166	A6	ñ	198	C6	Ŧ	230	E6	ρ
135	87	ç	167	A7	ë	199	C7	Ŧ	231	E7	γ
136	88	è	168	A8	ì	200	C8	Ŧ	232	E8	θ
137	89	é	169	A9	í	201	C9	Ŧ	233	E9	Θ
138	8A	è	170	AA	í	202	CA	Ŧ	234	EA	Ω
139	8B	ï	171	AB	ÿ	203	CB	Ŧ	235	EB	δ
140	8C	î	172	AC	ÿ	204	CC	Ŧ	236	EC	ε
141	8D	ï	173	AD	ÿ	205	CD	Ŧ	237	ED	ϑ
142	8E	ÿ	174	AE	»	206	CE	Ŧ	238	EE	€
143	8F	ÿ	175	AF	»	207	CF	Ŧ	239	EF	Ɔ
144	90	ÿ	176	B0	ÿ	208	D0	Ŧ	240	F0	≡
145	91	ÿ	177	B1	ÿ	209	D1	Ŧ	241	F1	±
146	92	ÿ	178	B2	ÿ	210	D2	Ŧ	242	F2	∓
147	93	ÿ	179	B3	ÿ	211	D3	Ŧ	243	F3	∠
148	94	ÿ	180	B4	ÿ	212	D4	Ŧ	244	F4	∩
149	95	ÿ	181	B5	ÿ	213	D5	Ŧ	245	F5	∪
150	96	ÿ	182	B6	ÿ	214	D6	Ŧ	246	F6	÷
151	97	ÿ	183	B7	ÿ	215	D7	Ŧ	247	F7	•
152	98	ÿ	184	B8	ÿ	216	D8	Ŧ	248	F8	◦
153	99	ÿ	185	B9	ÿ	217	D9	Ŧ	249	F9	◦
154	9A	ÿ	186	BA	ÿ	218	DA	Ŧ	250	FA	◦
155	9B	ÿ	187	BB	ÿ	219	DB	Ŧ	251	FB	∫
156	9C	£	188	BC	ÿ	220	DC	Ŧ	252	FC	∫
157	9D	¥	189	BD	ÿ	221	DD	Ŧ	253	FD	∫
158	9E	ŕ	190	BE	ÿ	222	DE	Ŧ	254	FE	■
159	9F	f	191	BF	ÿ	223	DF	Ŧ	255	FF	■

Appendix E: Creating a Print File

Introduction

For GINA to correctly transfer files containing than plain ASCII text (for example, illustrations), the file must be converted to a *print* file with a word processing program. This appendix contains instructions for creating a print file using Word for Windows[®] Version 6.0. These instructions assume that the user is familiar with the operation of this program and provides abbreviated instructions only. If you require more detailed instructions, please refer to the software user's manual.

Most word processing programs provide the capability of creating print files. If you do not use Word for Windows, refer to your word processor user's manual for instructions about creating a print file.

Making a Print File with Word for Windows Version 6.0

To create a print file with Word for Windows 6.0, proceed as follows:

1. Click on **File**. From the drop-down menu, select **Open**.
2. Select the file to be converted and open it.
3. Click on **File**. From the drop-down menu, select **Print**.
4. When the print menu opens, place the cursor on the **Print to File** box and click the left mouse button once. Then click **OK**.
5. When the **Print to File** menu appears, the **Output File Name** box will contain the file name ***.prn**. (**.prn** is the default filename extension for print files.) Change the name to the file name of your choice. Include a complete path (drive and subdirectory name) if necessary. If desired, you can change the extension name (for example, to **.txt**).
6. After assigning the output file name, click **OK** in the **Print to File** menu.
7. The print file will be generated and stored in the file and directory specified. You may now transfer the file with GINA.