## Avalon CTS Cordless Fetal Transducer System M2720A

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# **General Information**

This guide tells you how to service and repair the base station (M2720A) and transducers (M2725A, M2726A, and M2727A) of the Avalon CTS Cordless Fetal Transducer System. It describes the system hardware and software, tells you how to diagnose operating and servicing problems, and how to test the system.

As this system is intended to be installed by the customer, refer to the *Instructions for Use* for details of how to install the system.

The Avalon CTS Cordless Fetal Monitoring System Service Guide supplements the maintenance and troubleshooting procedures, carried out by the operator, that are described in the Instructions for Use. Refer to the Instructions for Use for maintenance and troubleshooting procedures that may be performed during normal operation.

Only qualified service personnel should attempt to disassemble the base station, remove or replace any internal assemblies, or replace the transducer batteries or belt buttons.

## Who Should Read This Guide

This guide is for any qualified technical personnel servicing and repairing the Avalon CTS Cordless Fetal Transducer System.

You must:

- understand English
- · be familiar with standard medical equipment installation procedures
- be familiar with current conventional technical terms as used throughout this guide

### What to Do Next

Familiarize yourself with the contents of this guide before attempting to service or repair the system.

### **Repair Strategy**

The Service Support Tool software helps you to determine whether a fault is a hardware, software or RFrelated problem. Any maintenance and repair procedures beyond the level covered in the *Instructions for Use* are limited to:

- unit exchange for
  - the base station
  - the transducers
- replacement of
  - the top cover assembly, including human interface board
  - the power supply, including metal chassis
  - two fuses in the power supply
  - the transducer battery
  - the transducer ventilation knob

Repair or replacement of individual components on the boards is not supported, and should never be attempted.

For any problem related to connecting the base station to an antenna system, refer to the M2600A Telemetry System's *Service Training and Reference Guide*.

For tests that you are required to perform after repairs, refer to "When to Perform Safety Tests" on page 38.

### **Pre-Installation Considerations**

The Avalon CTS is intended to be customer installable under the following conditions:

- The system is an "out-of-the-box" stand-alone system.
- There are less than ten stand-alone systems in the institution.
- Connection to an antenna system is not planned.
- No other telemetry devices are used in the institution that can influence, or be influenced by, the Avalon CTS.
- There are no other known or unknown sources of RF interference that influence the operation of the Avalon CTS.
- There are no local regulations requiring special configuration.

If one or more of these conditions are not met, a special configuration of the Avalon CTS is needed. Refer to "Considerations for Choice of Configuration" on page 8, and/or contact Philips Support to order the appropriate services.

## Warnings, Cautions and Important Information

**WARNING** A warning alerts you to a potential serious outcome, adverse event or safety hazard. Failure to observe a warning may result in death or serious injury to the user or patient.

**CAUTION** A caution alerts you to circumstances where special care is necessary for the safe and effective use of the product. Failure to observe a caution may result in minor or moderate personal injury, damage to the product or other property, and possibly in a remote risk of more serious injury.

SYMBOL

In this book, graphical symbols (indicators or elements of the base station or transducer displays) depicted in this way indicate that they are blinking.

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## Symbols on the System

	This attention symbol indicates that you should consult this book and the <i>Instructions for Use</i> , and particularly any warning messages.
	Power-On/Stand-by Switch.
•	Power-On/Stand-by Indicator.
	Equipotential Terminal.
$\bigtriangledown$	This symbol identifies terminals that are connected together, bringing various equipment or parts of a system to the same potential. This is not necessarily earth potential. The value of potentials of earth may be indicated adjacent to the symbol.
	Protective Earth Terminal. This symbol identifies the terminal for connection to an external protective earth system.
Ψ	Antenna input symbol.
$\overleftrightarrow$	Service socket symbol.
0	This symbol appears on the device adjacent to the CE mark and defines Class 2 radio equipment per Radio and telecommunications Terminal Equipment Directive 1995/5/EC.

IPX1	Ingress Protection code according to IEC 60529. Base station is rated IP X1 (protection against <i>vertical</i> water drops only).				
IP68 Ingress Protection code according to IEC 60529. All transducers are rated IP 68 (protection against dust, access to hazardous parts, and the effects of continuous immersion in water depth of 0.5 meter for five hours).					
	Type CF equipment.				

## **Patient Safety**

The Telemetry System should only be used by, or under the direct supervision of, a licensed physician or other health care practitioner who is trained in the use of fetal heart rate monitors and in the interpretation of fetal heart rate traces. US federal law restricts this device to sale by, or on the order of, a physician.

The Telemetry Receiver is a Protection Class 1 instrument.

The device complies with the following safety standards:

- EN 60601-1:1990+A1:1993+A2:1995 (IEC 60601-1:1988+ A1:1991+A2:1995)
- EN 60601-1-1:2001 (IEC 60601-1-1:2000)
- UL2601-1 2nd Ed.
- CAN/CSA C22.2 No. 601.1-M90 and No. 601.1-S1-94
- JIS T 1001-1992
- JIS T 1002-1992
- AS 3200.1.0-1998

The cordless transducers are battery operated devices, applied parts (patient connectors) are Type CF

## **Protective Earth**

**WARNING** Check each time before use that the system is in perfect working order and the base station is properly grounded.

To protect hospital personnel and the patient, the cabinet must be grounded. Accordingly, the base station is equipped with a 3-wire power cable which grounds it to the power line ground when plugged into an appropriate 3-wire receptacle. Do not use a 3-wire to 2-wire adapter with the base station. Any interruption of the protective earth grounding will cause a potential shock hazard that could result in serious personal injury.

Whenever it is likely that the protection has been impaired, the base station must be made inoperative and be secured against any unintended operation.

The patient cable must be positioned so that it does not come into contact with any other electrical equipment.

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Use the system in an environment which is reasonably free from vibration, dust, corrosive or explosive gases, extremes of temperature, humidity, and so forth. It operates within specifications at ambient temperatures between 0 and +45°C. Ambient temperatures that exceed these limits can affect the accuracy of the system, the transmitter radio frequency transmission, and can damage the components and circuits.

The system can be stored at ambient temperatures between -20°C and +60°C.

The transducers are watertight to a depth of 1.0 meter, and comply with IEC 60529 (IP 68). The base station is rated IP X1 according to IEC 60529.

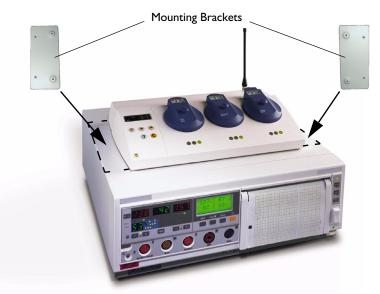
## **General Description**

Refer to the *Instructions for Use* for operating information of the base station and the transducers. It includes descriptions of the installation and setup of the system and modes of operation.

## **Mounting Solutions**

You can mount the Avalon CTS:

- In a standard cart drawer. The base station with docked transducers fits into Philips Carts CL, CX and CM. Use the lower drawer, and secure the base station using the Velcro fixing tape supplied.
- On a cart shelf (for example that of the Philips Cart CP, M1326A), using either the Velcro fixing tape or the mounting brackets supplied.
- On top of carts, desks or other flat surfaces using the mounting brackets supplied.
- In a wide variety of situations using the GCX mounting adapter for mounting the base station (order directly from GCX, part number PH-0042-80).
- On top of Series 50 IX/XM/XMO fetal monitors using the mounting brackets supplied.

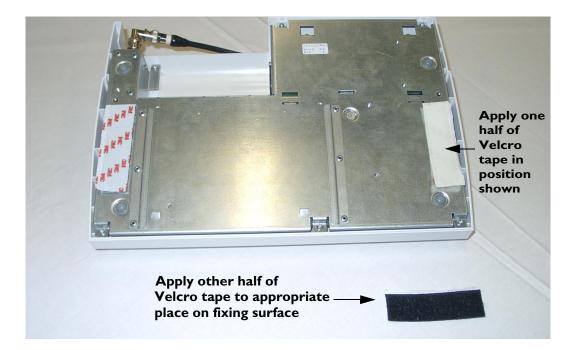


Refer also to the fitting instructions that come with the relevant solution.

## Applying the Velcro Fixing Tape

Two self-adhesive Velcro fixing tape sets are supplied, each set consisting of two halves.

- 1 Strip off the paper backing on one half of the Velcro set and attach to one side of the underneath of the base station. Repeat for the other side.
- 2 Strip off the paper backing on the other half of the Velcro set and attach to the fixing surface so that the two halves of the Velcro set mate up when the base station is correctly positioned.



## **Antenna Extension Mounting Kit**

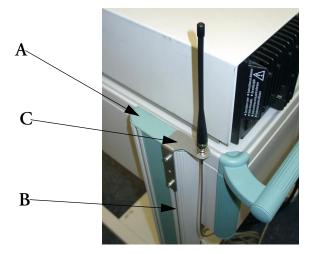
If the base station is installed in a cart or other mounting solution where the standard antenna cannot be attached directly to the base station, or does not provide sufficient transmission range, use the antenna extension mounting kit (M1361A Option 1AA).

The kit contains:

- Antenna extension cable with BNC connectors (1.0m approx.)
- Mounting bracket, including fixings, for mounting onto Philips Carts.

The mounting bracket can also be fitted on walls, wooden carts, or other flat surfaces using fixings (not supplied) appropriate for the surface material.

#### **Mounting on Philips Carts**



- 1 Remove the plastic cover (A).
- 2 Slide the fixings for the mounting bracket (C) into the groove (B) in the cart.
- 3 Replace the plastic cover (A) before sliding the mounting bracket fully down.
- 4 Slide the mounting bracket downwards in the groove (B) in the cart until the antenna holder part of the bracket rests on the plastic cover.
- 5 Tighten the fixing screws to secure the mounting bracket.

#### Mounting on Wooden Carts and Other Flat Surfaces

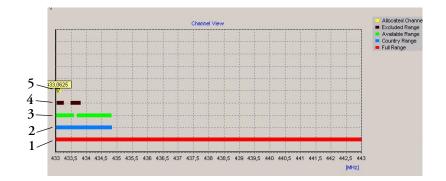


## **Considerations for Choice of Configuration**

There are a number of factors that can influence how you finally configure the Avalon CTS.

#### **Frequency Bands**

Depending on the country of use, the system uses radio frequencies within one of two bands, the Wireless Medical Telemetry Systems (WMTS) band, or the Industrial, Scientific and Medical (ISM) band. The actual approved frequencies used depend on country-specific regulations. The following diagram gives an example overview of the system's frequency band configuration.



1 = The full (hardware) frequency range (10 MHz wide).

2 = The country-specific frequency range governed and approved by local regulatory bodies.

3 = The available frequency range: shows the real, current frequency range available within the country range. This will differ from the country range due to:

- excluded frequency ranges
- frequency ranges already allocated to other Avalon CTS systems in the same establishment.

4 = Excluded frequency ranges (ranges occupied by other telemetry systems, or other RF interferers).

5 = Fixed frequency ranges.

#### **Normal Delivery Configuration**

The Avalon CTS is normally delivered with:

- Automatic channel search.
- A standard antenna.

Using the standard antenna, the potential operating range is up to 100 meters. The actual effective area of reach will vary according to the geographical and physical characteristics of the building where the system is installed, and is also influenced by the presence of other radio frequency (RF) devices or interference. We recommend that you define effective operating range prior to putting the system into operation.

If the area of reach is adequate for the intended monitoring area, and the system's operation is not influenced by other RF sources, then the normal delivery configuration is sufficient.

#### When is a Different Configuration Needed?

This section deals with possible reasons why the normal delivery configuration may not be adequate.

#### When the Area of Reach is Not Sufficient

If the area of reach is not sufficient using the standard antenna supplied with the system, there are a few things to consider:

- The placement of the antenna has an effect on the operating range. If it is located inside a metal cart
  or other RF-absorbing material, then place the antenna externally by using the Antenna Extension
  Mounting Kit (M1361A Option 1AA) to increase the range.
- Check the orientation of the antenna. In general, the antenna provides the greatest range when it is
  positioned vertically.
- If the area of reach is still insufficient, consider installing an antenna system.

#### When the Normal Delivery Configuration is Unsuitable

The normal delivery configuration, with free base station channel search, may be unsuitable if:

- There are other telemetry systems installed in the hospital.
- There are multiple (more than ten) stand-alone Avalon CTS systems.
- There are other sources of RF interference.
- The Avalon CTS system causes interference on other telemetry or RF systems.
- If you connect the Avalon CTS to an antenna system.

#### **Frequency Planning**

For multiple cordless/telemetry installations in the same hospital, an RF frequency plan should be implemented. Document all frequencies or frequency ranges occupied by:

- Other telemetry systems (adult and fetal).
- Multiple Avalon CTS systems (operating on fixed frequencies). Remember that the Avalon CTS is also a potential interference source for other RF systems.
- Other sources of RF interference (other electrical equipment, broadcasting stations, or paging systems, for instance).

Once you have identified all the occupied frequencies or frequency ranges (for example, by using the Service Support Tool software) you can change the system's configuration by following the guidelines for RF channel/frequency configuration.

- Exclude frequency ranges already occupied by other telemetry systems or that are subject to interference from other RF sources (see page 54).
- Use fixed frequencies for the base station, possibly in conjunction with altering the channel spacing (see page 66).
- Use fixed frequencies for the transducers (see page 55).

### Setting Expectations

No matter how good a telemetry system design is, it will always experience occasional loss of radio communications, resulting in US/Toco/ECG dropouts. A telemetry system will never be as reliable as a hard-wired monitor that transmits its signal through a wire. If occasional loss of US/Toco/ECG monitoring is not acceptable for certain patients, they should be connected to a hard-wired bedside monitor.

**WARNING** Telemetry should not be used for primary monitoring in applications where the momentary loss of the US/Toco/ECG signal is unacceptable.

Following are guidelines to set proper expectations of hospital staff and to improve system performance:

- Clinicians will tend to see more motion related artifact on the US/Toco/ECG measurements of ambulatory patients than on patients that are restricted to a bed.
- Patients should be restricted to the designated coverage area. Monitoring performance will degrade if patients go outside the radius of coverage of the receiving antenna.
- Keep the size of the antenna system as small as possible. Telemetry system performance will degrade as the system size increases. The larger a system is, the greater the potential for receiving interfering signals. In addition, as more devices are added to the antenna system, the noise generated by the antenna system itself increases.
- A patient location protocol is critical to a telemetry system. If a life-threatening event occurs, the clinician must be able to locate the patient quickly. The importance of this increases as the antenna system size increases.
- Philips Medical Systems has no control over the RF environment in the hospital. If interference exists at the operating frequencies, telemetry system performance will be affected. Careful selection of frequencies for all wireless devices used within a facility (telemetry transmitters, walkie-talkies, ambulance radios, other wireless medical devices, etc.) is important to prevent interference between them. Frequency management is the responsibility of the hospital.

## **Antenna System Guidelines**

The Avalon CTS (M2720A) is compatible with the dual band antenna system components as used with the M2600A adult telemetry system. Antenna systems must be designed according to adult telemetry system rules, and presales activities and site preparation must be done according to the existing M2600A series antenna systems rules. These activities are not bundled into the product price and have to be ordered separately at the PSS or HPS organization.

Additional to the M2600A antenna system design rules, the following antenna specifications apply to the Avalon CTS:

- Only original M2600A antenna system components will be supported.
- The antenna spacing must not exceed a radius of 10m (32ft).
- Any mixture of Avalon CTS and other telemetry devices (for example, M1310A or M2600A Adult Telemetry Transmitter/Receiver) on the same antenna system is not supported.
- · Contact Philips Support regarding antenna system design.

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# **Theory of Operation**

This chapter describes the functional operation of the system, including the base station and transducers. It incorporates features of the mechanical design, indicating the physical relationship of the assemblies and components.

## **Base Station Hardware Overview**

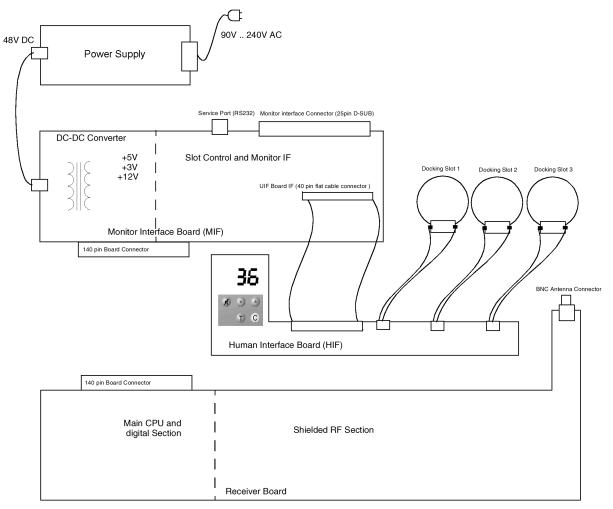


Figure 1 Base Station Boards

The Base Station consists of four functional components:

#### **Receiver Board**

The receiver is a double superheterodyne narrowband frequency modulation (FM) receiver, with two mixers and two intermediate frequencies (IFs). Three radio frequency (RF) signals can be received independently with three identical receiver channels. The digital section of the main CPU is responsible for frequency shift key (FSK) detection, analog-to-digital conversion of the low frequency (LF signal), signal filtering, and radio frequency (RF) channel management. The main CPU communicates with the transducers. While charge power is on, a serial communication link is established between the base station and each docking slot.

#### Human Interface Board

The Human Interface (HIF) board provides the user interface, and the display, indicators, keys and the slot charging contacts are all located on this board.

#### **Power Supply**

The power supply is a wide-range input swtching unit, with an output of +48V. It is located on the chassis assembly.

#### **Slot Control and Monitor Interface Board Hardware**

The Monitor Interface (MIF) board provides the interface to the fetal monitor as well as the communication interface to the transducer slots. Power conversion is performed by a DC-DC converter. The digital (active) parts of the human interface also reside on this board.

The MIF board consists of the following functional blocks:

• DC-DC Converter - the 48V DC input for the DC-DC converter comes from the primary AC-DC converter. Since the 48V DC voltage is sufficiently stabilized, two fixed pulse width step down transformers are used to transform the high voltage down to the required 3V, 5V and 12V (post-regulated for accuracy).

The +12V supply is mainly used for battery charging and you can access this voltage at the charge contacts. The fuse on the MIF board are not replaceable, and if it blows, the board must be replaced. If there is a short to ground, unlimited current will blow the fuse. To avoid this, a current limiter is used to limit the output current.

- Monitor interface three major blocks make up the monitor interface:
  - PWM Toco digital-to-analog (D/A) converter
  - Two PWM wave D/A converters for FHR low frequency (LF) 1, and FHR LF 2.
  - Digital status ports
- Transducer slot interface this block is responsible for transducer detection, safety features of the charge power switch, serial communication between base station and transducers and synchronization clock generation for the power supply. To ensure that there is no charge power applied to the charge contacts when there is no transducer docked in a slot, charge power in each slot is only applied after a transducer has been detected.
- Drivers for the HIF board interface this block contains the multiplexing and driving components for the function buttons, the display backlight and the seven-segment LEDs.

## **Transducer Hardware Overview**

The system has three transducer types:

- Toco
- US
- ECG

They all share the same modulation and digital processor circuitry, power supply, liquid crystal display, and RF transmitter. The processor software is also the same for all transducers. The frontends, however, are specific to each transducer type.

#### Functional Description of the RF/CPU Hardware

The RF/CPU section of the transducers is made up of the following functional blocks:

- CPU (micro controller)
- LCD
- Base Station communication
- EEPROM
- FLASH download port
- Clock generator
- Power supply and battery charger
- Modulator
- RF transmitter

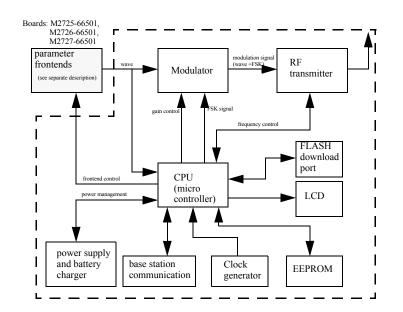


Figure 2 Transducer Block Diagram

#### **Base Station Communication**

An active base station communicates with docked transducers to check the correct transducer type, serial number, to program the RF frequency, to initiate test cycles, and to check the current battery status.

#### **Power Supply and Battery Charger**

A Lithium-Ion (Li-Ion) battery powers the transducer. Batteries are charged whenever a transducer is docked in an base station connected to AC power. Charge power is transferred by the spring-loaded, two-pin charge contacts. Communication between the base station and the transducer processors is also done using these contacts.

An intelligent Li-Ion charging circuit in the transducer controls the battery management. See page 72 for battery charging times.

#### Modulator

The analog heart rate signals (ultrasound Doppler or fetal ECG) are pre-processed and band-limited by filters. The signals are then fed into a programmable gain amplifier controlled by an automatic gain control circuit and a digital FSK modulated subcarrier (1.6 kHz or 2.4 kHz) is added to the RF carrier signal. The subcarrier is responsible for the digital transmission of the Toco data, along with safety and status information, such as serial number, bed label, fetal movement data, battery information.

#### **RF** Transmitter

The RF transmitter block contains:

- a PLL synthesizer that divides the reference frequency down to 12.5 kHz, and can be tuned in steps of 12.5 kHz.
- a voltage controlled ocillator (VCO).
- a power amplifier (antenna driver).

## **Toco Frontend Hardware**

Uterine activity is measured by evaluating the hardness of the mother's abdomen with a pressure sensitive resistor bridge (DMS element). The DMS element requires an excitation voltage and its differential output signal is proportional to the pressure applied to the DMS element. An AC excitation voltage is used, and the resulting AC output signal is amplified and converted to a pressure proportional DC voltage by a synchronous rectifier followed by a low pass filter.

## **Ultrasound Frontend Hardware**

The ultrasound frontend is a pulsed Doppler system with a 1.0 MHz ultrasound frequency, and a pulse repetition rate of 3.2 kHz. Seven ultrasound crystals are used as transmitter and receiver.

## **ECG** Frontend Hardware

Several parameter frontends are combined on the ECG frontend board. Currently supported parameters are DECG and MECG.

A seven-pin 'D-type' socket carries all parameter related inputs and outputs. An external mode resistor, connected to one of the pins, detects which ECG mode to set when an adapter cable is plugged in. The M1362B ECG adapter cable, used with the M1364A patient module, is also used for the fetal scalp or adult electrodes.

# **System Interfaces**

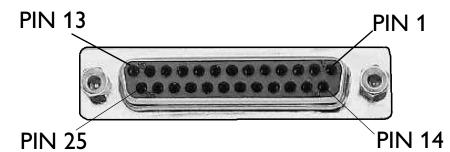
The Avalon CTS has two system interfaces:

- Fetal monitor interface
- Service Interface

## **Fetal Monitor Interface**

The Fetal Monitor Interface on the base station allows digital and analog outputs to the Series 50 fetal monitors. The interface is enhanced to support additional transducer combinations for future fetal monitors.

The following table lists the signals at each pin.



Pin	Signal Details				
1	MECG supported (Series 50 B/C fetal monitors only).				
2	+3V RF (10 k $\Omega$ internal resistance)				
3	+12V RF (10 k $\Omega$ internal resistance)				
4	+48V RF (100 k $\Omega$ internal resistance)				
5	Base station on (L).				
6	Reserved.				
7	DECG inop (L).				
8	DECG Mode (L).				
9	Reserved for future functionality.				
10	US Mode (L).				
11	Reserved.				
12	IUP Mode (L).				
13	TOCO External Mode (L).				

Pin	Signal Details				
14	US LF or ECG Signal.				
15	TOCO/IUP signal.				
16	Not connected.				
17	Ground.				
18	Ground.				
19	Reserved. (Tele-Marker on the fetal monitor side.)				
20	Tele-FMP on (L) if FMP available.				
21	Tele-Fetal movement on (L).				
22	MECG Inop.				
23	Not connected.				
24	Ground.				
25	MECG Mode.				

## **Service Interface**

The service socket on the rear of the base station takes a stereo phone jack for RS232 connection to an industry standard compatible PC installed with the Service Support Tool software. Use the interface cable M1350-61675. The transducers must be docked in the base station for communication with the Service Support Tool.

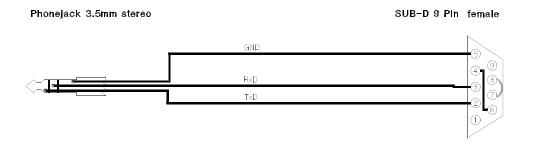


Figure 3 Interface cable for connecting an industry standard compatible PC to the Avalon base station.

## **Compatible Fetal Monitors**

A list of compatible fetal	monitors	(including	interfaces)	is given i	n the following table.
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	Parameter					
Monitor / Interface (IF)	US	FMP	DECG	MECG	Тосо	Comments
M1350x with M1350-66531 IF	HR 1	-	HR 1	~	~	Only one FHR is transmitted.
M1350x with M1350-66536 IF	HR 1	~	HR 1	~	~	Software revision A.04.01 or greater.
M1351A with M1353-66531 IF	HR 1	-	-	-		No ECG processing. DECG mode generates "Err 9".
M1351A with M1353-66531 E IF	HR 1	-	-	-	~	Software revision A.02.00 or greater.
M1353A with M1353-66531 IF	HR 1	-	HR 1	-	-	Only one HR transmitted.
M1353A with M1353-66531 E IF	HR 1	1	HR 1	-	~	Software revision A.02.00 or greater.
Key: ✓ = supported; - = not supported						

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## **Disassembly/Reassembly**

- Performance verification: do not place the system into operation after repair or maintenance has been performed, until all performance tests and safety tests listed in Chapter 6 of this service manual have been performed. Failure to perform all tests could result in erroneous parameter readings, or patient/operator injury.
  - Energized circuits are accessible with the covers open. Do not work on the base station with the covers open and AC power connected. Only qualified service personnel should open or disassemble the base station.
  - Before attempting to open or disassemble the base station, disconnect it from the AC mains supply.

**CAUTION** Observe ESD (electrostatic discharge) precautions when working within the unit.

## Introduction

Remember to store all screws and parts in a safe place for later refitting.

#### How to Use this Chapter

The disassembly sections detail the step-by-step procedures you use to access replaceable parts of the base station.

All the transducers are sealed at the factory and are not repairable. Replacement transducers are supplied complete with both battery and belt button fitted.

The Avalon base station consists of two major assemblies:

- The top cover assembly
- The chassis assembly

The top cover assembly contains the human interface (HIF) board, the keypad inlay, and the battery charge contacts and wiring. The top cover assembly is only available as a complete assembly, and a repair to any part of the top cover assembly is effected by replacement of the whole assembly.

The chassis assembly contains the metal chassis and power supply, the receiver board and the monitor interface (MIF) board. The power supply always comes complete with the chassis (without boards), and a repair to either the power supply or the chassis is effected by replacement of this chassis/power supply assembly.

There are no boards available individually as replacement parts. In the case of a defective receiver board or MIF board, a repair is effected by exchanging the whole base station assembly (unit exchange).

All part numbers of spare parts are listed in Chapter 5.

#### **Tools Required**

**CAUTION** When replacing the front cover, do not over-torque the screws. Excessive torque may damage the plastic screw mountings.

You need the following tools:



## **Removing the Top Cover Assembly**

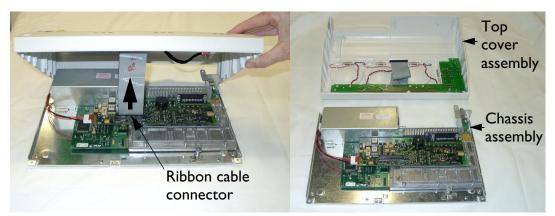
6 Carefully place the base station upside down. To avoid scratches, place the unit on some cloth or other soft surface.



- 7 Remove the six screws securing the top cover assembly to the chassis, using a T-10 Torx driver.
- 8 Holding both top cover and chassis assemblies together, place the base station upright again.
- 9 Lift the front edge of the top cover and disconnect the spade connector for the ESD ground wire from the terminal on the metal chassis.



10 Now raise the cover a little more, and disconnect the multipin connector of the ribbon cable from the MIF board. Pull straight up to avoid bending the pins. The top cover assembly is now free of the chassis assembly.



## **Replacing the Top Cover Assembly**

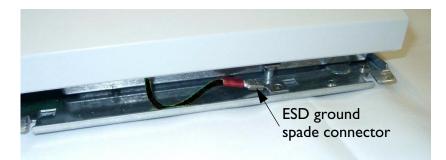
The serial number appears initially in two places on the base station - on the rear of the top cover assembly, and on the bottom of the metal chassis. A replacement top cover does not carry a serial number.

- 1 Ensure all items are replaced in the top cover assembly.
- 2 Reconnect the multipin ribbon cable connector to the socket on the MIF board.



Reconnect ribbon cable connector

3 Important! Reconnect the ESD ground wire spade connector to the terminal on the chassis.



4 Place the front cover back to its normal position.

5 Holding both assemblies together, carefully place the unit upside down, preferably on a soft surface to prevent scratching or other damage.



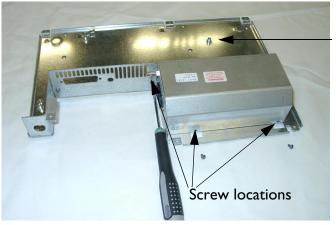
- 6 Make sure the screw holes in the metal chassis align with the screw mountings in the top cover moulding.
- **CAUTION** When replacing the front cover, do not over-torque the screws. Excessive torque may damage the plastic screw mountings.
  - 7 Drive in the six screws that hold the front cover and chassis assemblies together using a T-10 Torx driver.

## **Changing Fuses**

There are two versions of power supply, the Celestica version (earlier build), and the Frei version (later build).

There are two field-replaceable fuses located in the power supply. They are of type T1.6A. In the photographs that follow in this section, the MIF and receiver boards are removed for clarity, but the power supply cover can be removed with the boards in place. To gain access to the fuses:

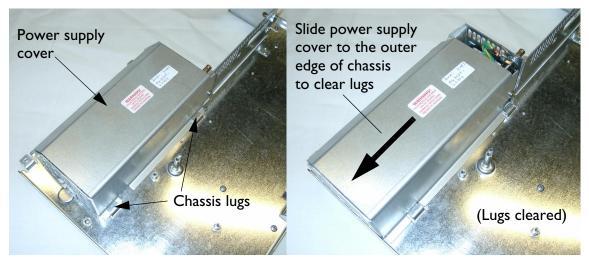
- 1 Remove the top cover assembly (see page 20).
- 2 Remove the three screws securing the power supply cover.



Boards shown removed for illustration purposes 3 Unplug the connector for the power supply cable from the power supply.



4 Slide the power supply cover to the edge of the chassis, as shown, to clear the lugs on the chassis.



5 Then remove the cover by lifting it straight up.



Power supply cover removed

6 Important! Replace the fuses with new fuses of exactly the same type and rating (T1.6A).

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- 7 Replace the power supply cover, and secure it with the three screws.
- 8 Reconnect the power supply cable connector to the power supply.
- 9 Replace the top cover assembly (see page 21).

## Changing the Power Supply/Metal Chassis Assembly

The power supply and the metal chassis come as one unit (they are not available independently). The power supply cable is reusable, and also comes with the new chassis/power supply assembly.

To change the power supply/metal chassis assembly:

#### Step1: Remove the Top Cover Assembly

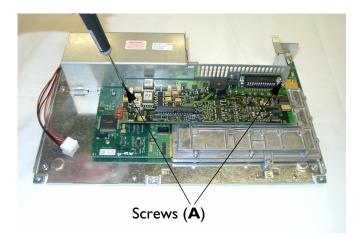
See page 20.

#### Step2: Remove the MIF Board

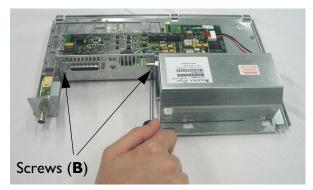
1 Remove the six-pin power supply connector from the MIF board.



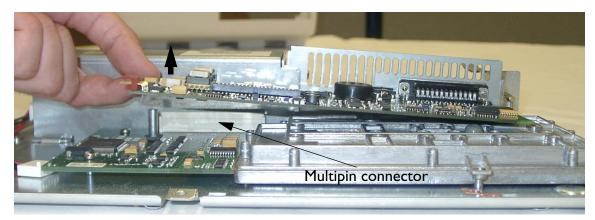
2 Remove the two screws (A) using a T-10 Torx driver.



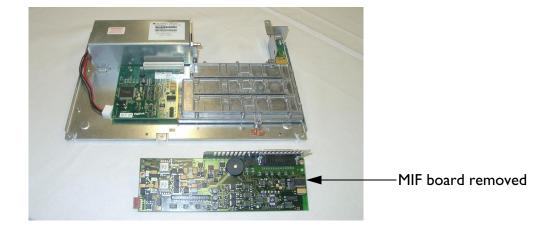
3 Then remove the two screws (B) for the fetal monitor interface socket using a 6mm socket driver.



4 Disconnect the multipin connector joining the MIF board to the receiver board by lifting the corner of the MIF board nearest to the power supply cover.

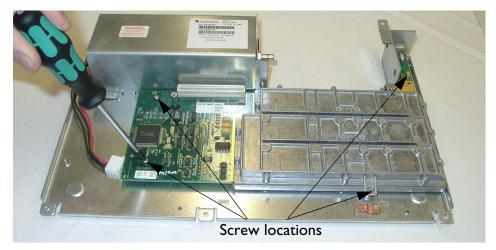


5 Then lift the MIF board clear of the chassis assembly.

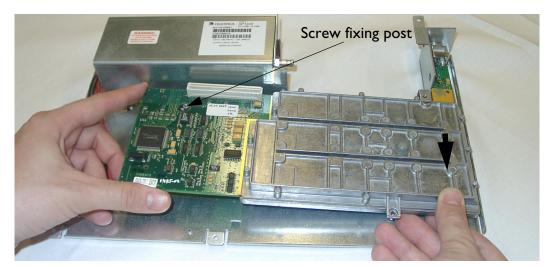


#### Step 3: Removing the Receiver Board

- 1 First remove the MIF board (see Step 1).
- 2 Remove the four screws securing the receiver board to the chassis using a T-10 Torx driver.



3 Gently lift the front right hand corner of the receiver board, at the same time pulling it forward.



4 Next, lift the rear left hand corner of the board so that the board is clear of the metal screw fixing post.

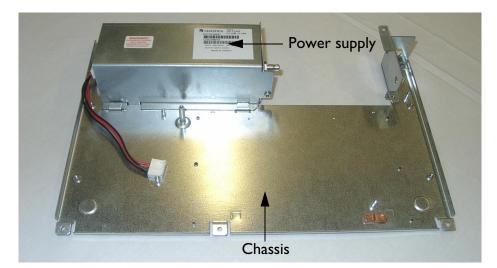


5 Then lift the board clear of the chassis.



#### Step 4: Replace Metal Chassis/Power Supply Assembly

Take the new metal chassis assembly.

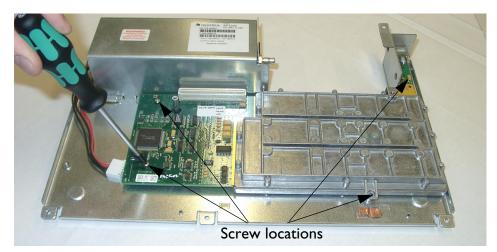


#### **Step 5: Replacing the Receiver Board**

1 Insert the antenna socket into its aperture in the new metal chassis and locate the metal screw fixing post through the hole in the left hand side of the receiver board.



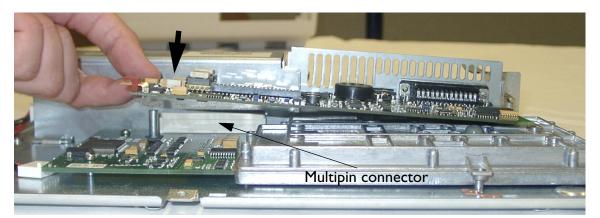
Insert antenna socket through hole in chassis 2 Position the receiver board so that all the screw holes on the board align with the screw fixing points on the chassis.



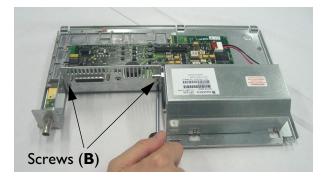
3 Drive in the four screws (A) using a T-10 Torx driver to secure the receiver board to the chassis.

#### **Step 6: Replacing the MIF Board**

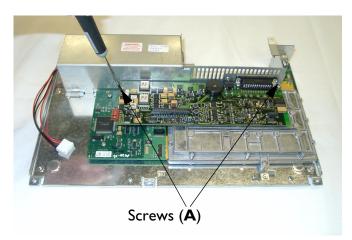
1 Carefully locate the multipin connector plug, on the underside of the MIF board, in the socket on the receiver board, ensuring it is accurately aligned.



- 2 Carefully apply a little pressure on the left hand rear corner of the MIF board to seat the multipin connector into the socket on the receiver board below.
- 3 Ensure that the screw holes in the board align with the screw fixing points below.
- 4 Drive in the two screws (B) with a T-10 Torx driver.



5 Then drive in the two screws (A) using a T-10 Torx driver. The MIF board is now secure.



**6** Reconnect the power supply connector plug to the socket at the front left hand corner of the MIF board.



#### Step 7: Replace The Top Cover Assembly

Replace the top cover assembly taking care not to over-torque the screws (see page 21).

# **Spare Parts**

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Spare parts, along with part numbers, are listed in the tables that follow.

# **Exchange Parts**

Exchange Part Number		New Part Number		
"5x5"	12 NC	"5x5"	12 NC	Description
M2720-69030	453563474101	M2720-60030	453563473001	Base station (without transducers).
M2720-69031	453563474111	M2720-60031	453563473011	See "Antenna and Base Station Part Numbers By Country".
M2720-69032	453563474121	M2720-60032	453563473021	Base station (without transducers) - Japan
M2725-69001	453563474341	M2725-60001	453563474301	Cordless Toco transducer - USA/Australia
M2725-69002	453563474351	M2725-60002	453563474311	Cordless Toco transducer - Europe
M2725-69003	453563474361	M2725-60003	453563474321	Cordless Toco transducer - Canada
M2725-69004	453563474371	M2725-60004	453563474331	Cordless Toco transducer - Japan
M2726-69001	453563474421	M2726-60001	453563474381	Cordless US transducer - USA/Australia
M2726-69002	453563474431	M2726-60002	453563474391	Cordless US transducer - Europe
M2726-69003	453563474441	M2726-60003	453563474401	Cordless US transducer - Canada
M2726-69004	453563474451	M2726-60004	453563474411	Cordless US transducer - Japan
M2727-69001	453563474501	M2727-60001	453563474461	Cordless ECG transducer - USA/Australia
M2727-69002	453563474511	M2727-60002	453563474471	Cordless ECG transducer - Europe
M2727-69003	453563474521	M2727-60003	453563474481	Cordless ECG transducer - Canada
M2727-69004	453563474531	M2727-60004	453563474491	Cordless ECG transducer - Japan

# Non-Exchange Parts

Part Number			
"5x5" 12 NC		Description	
M2720-67701	453563474091	Base station metal chassis (housing bottom) including power supply and DC cable	
M2720-64003	453563474081	Base station top cover assembly including warning label and screws	
2110-0495CP	453563071821	Fuses for power supply T1.6A	
0950-2028	453563044001	Antenna. See "Antenna and Base Station Part Numbers By Country".	
0950-2029	453563044011		
1250-0076	453563473991	BNC connector, 90 degrees	
M2720-64001	453563474061	Battery replacement kit (includes tool and instruction sheet)	
M2720-64002	453563474071	Knob replacement kit, contains three knobs (includes tool and instruction sheet)	
M2720-03201	453563474041	Mounting brackets	

# **Supplies and Accessories**

Part Number			
"5x5"	12 NC	Description of Supplies/Accessories	
15133D	989803100741	Fetal scalp electrode (EU and Asia-Pacific version) - shipment country depen- dent	
15133E	989803100751	Fetal scalp electrode (US version) - shipment country dependent	
40483A	989803101601	Aquasonic US gel	
40493E	989803101681	Electrodes (pre-gelled)	
M1349A	989803103421	Disposable fetal adhesive pad electrode	
8120-2961	453563198651	Ground cable with clamp	
8120-4808	453563199211	ground cable IEC	
M1350-9150T	453563474011	Documentation CD-ROM, Fetal Monitoring products, includes Service Support Tool Software	
M2720-61603	453563474051	Interface cable (for connecting the Avalon CTS to a fetal monitor)	
M2725A	862488	Cordless Toco transducer	
M2726A	862489	Cordless US transducer	
M2727A	862490	Cordless ECG transducer	
M1362B	989803103551	DECG adapter cable	
M1363A	989803103561	MECG adapter cable (for use with M1364A or M1365A)	
M1562A	989803104111	Fetal belts, washable (pack of 3)	

Part Number			
"5x5" 12 NC		Description of Supplies/Accessories	
M1562B	989803129891	Waterproof fetal belts, washable (pack of 3)	
M1360-61675	453563277381	PC service cable for Service Support Tool	

# Antenna and Base Station Part Numbers By Country

Frequencies for medical telemetry devices are not yet harmonized. Consequently, frequencies vary according to country-specific regulations, and are subject to change.

Countra			Base Station Part Numbers			
Country	Antenna Part Number		Exchange Parts		New Parts	
			'5x5"	12 NC	"5x5"	12 NC
Australia	0950-2028	453563044001	M2720-69030	453563474101	M2720-60030	453563473001
Canada						
USA						
France	0950-2029	453563044011	M2720-69031	453563474111	M2720-60031	453563473011
Germany						
Italy						
Netherlands						
Spain						
Sweden						
Switzerland						
United Kingdom						

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# Preventive Maintenance and Safety

This chapter contains maintenance and safety information for the Avalon CTS and accessories.

All checks that require the instrument to be opened must be made by qualified service personnel. Contact your local Philips representative if you wish safety and maintenance checks to be carried out by Philips personnel.

To ensure proper functioning of your system you must adhere to the standards described in this book for:

- Cleaning
- Performance assurance checks (system self test, parameter test)
- Safety tests (safety test blocks, instrument safety test, system test)
- Accessory testing (transducer checks, patient module checks)

**CAUTION** Failure on the part of the responsible individual hospital or institution using this equipment to implement a satisfactory maintenance schedule may cause undue equipment failure and possible health hazards.

### **Care and Cleaning**

For detailed instructions on how to care for and clean the base station, transducers and the monitoring accessories, see the *Instructions for Use*.

### **Recommended Frequency of Testing**

Perform the procedures as indicated in the suggested testing timetable. These timetable recommendations do not supercede local requirements.

Suggested Testing Timetable			
Test	Frequency		
Performance Assurance (see page 36) and Safety Checks (see page 37).	Once a year (or as specified by local laws) and after re- pair where the power supply is replaced.		
Regular Preventive Maintenance (see page 42).	Once a year or after repair.		
Battery Check (see page 43).	As necessary.		

# **Performance Assurance Tests**

### Self Test

The system performs a basic-level self test when you switch it on. You hear a beep, and all the display elements are shown for about one second, and then the display reverts to normal display mode.

### **Parameter Test**

This tests the entire signal path from the individual transducers connected via radio frequency, through the base station, to the fetal monitor with artificially generated test signals. We recommend you perform this test once a day, and whenever you doubt the reliability of the measurements. The parameter test does not test the transducers themselves, there is a separate test for this (see "Testing Transducers" on page 56).

Base station display Base station display Ultrasound transducer display (slot 1) Toco transducer display	In this example, one US transducer and one Toco transducer are docked. No other transducers are active. Initial displays appear as shown. The battery indicator is lit on the base station. The bed label is visible on both displays. The transducer display shows which slot is occupied.
	<ul> <li>To start the test, with no transducers or alarms active:</li> <li>1 Press and hold down T. The test mode remains active for as long as you keep T pressed.</li> <li>Battery charging stops, and the transducers behave like normal, active transducers. However, to differentiate between test mode and normal operation of a registered transducer, the two-digit numeric display in the LCD window shows the two segment bars () blinking.</li> <li>If you remove a transducer while the parameter test is still in progress, the transducer shuts down.</li> </ul>
Image: Signal quality       Image: Signal quality         Value of artificial signal       Artificial HR	2 Each transducer transmits an artificial signal, via the programmed RF channel, to its registered slot on the base station. After decoding and processing, the artificial signals are fed via the analog connection to the telemetry interface input of the fetal monitor. The signals coming from the base station are then processed and displayed by the fetal monitor.

3 Check the values displayed by the fetal monitor to get an overview of the condition of the entire system. The following table specifies the signals that are generated during the test. As the mode of the ECG transducers is unknown to the base station (as it is configured outside of the base station), an ECG transducer is always mapped to the MECG mode. This avoids potential mode errors.

4 To stop the test, release the **T** key.

Expected signals generated during the system test:

US		DECG*			MECG*
Slot 1	Slot 3	(Place in Slot 1)	тосо	IUP	(Place in Slot3)
190 bpm	170 bpm	200 bpm	Signal with 40 units amplitude range and 20s period duration	IUP measurements are not currently supported. Disregard any measurement you get.	120 bpm
Artificial HR signal			N/A	N/A	"click"
+/- 2.5 bpm		+/- 2.5 bpm	+/- 10% period duration	N/A	+/- 2.5 bpm
	Slot 1 190 bpm Artificial H	Slot 1 Slot 3 190 bpm 170 bpm Artificial HR signal	Slot 1Slot 3(Place in Slot 1)190 bpm170 bpm200 bpmArtificial HR signal	Slot 1     Slot 3     (Place in Slot 1)     TOCO       190 bpm     170 bpm     200 bpm $\int \int \int_{\pm}^{\mp} \int_{\pm}^{40}$ Signal with 40 units amplitude range and 20s period duration     Signal with 40 units amplitude range and 20s period duration	Slot 1     Slot 3     (Place in Slot 1)     TOCO     IUP       190 bpm     170 bpm     200 bpm $\int \int \int_{\pm}^{\mp} 40$ IUP measurements are not currently supported.       Signal with 40 units amplitude range and 20s period duration     Disregard any measurement you get.       Artificial HR signal     I     N/A

\*Test ECG transducers **without** the adapter cables attached.

\*\*Signal is variable. Jitter should normally be within +/- 2.5 bpm. However, this could possibly be higher due to external factors, such as interference or the environment. On slot 1, the jitter can be higher than on slot 3.

# Safety Tests

This section defines the test and inspection procedures applicable to the Avalon CTS Cordless Fetal Transducer System. Use the tables in the following section to determine what test and inspection results must be reported after an installation, upgrade, or repair has been carried out.

- Test Blocks in Table 1 tells you when to carry out the safety tests.
- Test and Inspection Matrix in Table 2 tells you how to carry out the safety tests.

**WARNING** Apply the safety test limits set by the local standards and statutes applicable to the country of installation, such as IEC 60601-1, UL2601-1, CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 601.1-M90 and No 601.1-S1-94.

The safety tests defined in this chapter are derived from local and international standards but may not be equivalent. They are NOT a substitute for local safety testing.

**CAUTION** Successful completion of the patient safety tests does not ensure the correct and accurate functioning of the equipment.

### **Safety Test Procedures**

The test procedures outlined in this section are to be used only for verifying the safe installation or service of the product. "Safety checks at installation refer to safety aspects directly related to the installation and setup activities and not to intrinsic safety features that have already been checked during final acceptance testing at the factory."

[FDA 97-4179 Medical Quality Systems Manual: A Small Entity Compliance Guide (QSR manual). First Edition December 1996. Chapter 14: Storage, Distribution and Installation. This document may be viewed at http://www.fda.gov]

When performing safety tests, you must use a standard safety tester. You can use testers complying with IEC 60601-1 internationally. You may also use testers complying with any local standards and statutes applicable to the country of the installation. For safety test procedures see the operation instructions of the safety tester used.

If using the Metron safety tester use your local regulations to perform the test, for example

- in Europe: IEC 60601-1/IEC 60601-1-1
- in the US: UL2601-1

The Metron Report should print results as detailed in this chapter, along with other data.

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### When to Perform Safety Tests

This table tells you when to perform specific safety tests. See page 38 for test details.

#### Table 1: M2720A: When to perform safety test blocks

Service Event	Test Block(s) Required - Complete These tests
Installation The product is customer installed. For installation instructions refer to the <i>Instructions for Use</i> for your moni- tor.	Perform Visual, Power On, Performance and Safety test blocks (see Table 2).
Preventive Maintenance Preventive maintenance is the respon- sibility of the customer (see page 42).	Perform Visual test block (see Table 2).
Repair This Service Guide contains repair instructions for the Avalon CTS.	Perform Visual, Power On and Performance test blocks (see Table 2), and when power supply or fuses are replaced perform Safety test block.
Upgrade For upgrade information refer to "Upgrades", on on page 69.	Perform Visual, Power On, Performance (see Table 2).
All other service events	Perform Visual, Power On and Performance test blocks (see Table 2).

### How to Carry Out the Test Blocks

Key to Table 2 P = Pass, F = Fail, X = test result value to be recorded.

Test Block	Test or Inspection to be Performed	Expected Test Results	What to Record on Service Record (Philips Personnel only)
Visual	Inspect the unit, transducers and cables for any damage. Are they free of damage?	If Yes, Visual test is passed.	V:P or V:F
Power On	Power on the unit. Does the self-test complete successfully?	If Yes, Power On test is passed.	PO:P or PO:F
Performance	Perform the parameter test with all parame- ters as described on page 36. Do these tests complete without errors?	If Yes, Performance Test is passed.	P:P or P:F
Safety (1)	Perform Safety Test: Protective Earth.	With mains cable: Maximum impedance = X1 (<= 100 mOhms)	S(1):P/X1 or S(1):F/X1
Safety (2)	Perform Safety Test: Enclosure Leakage Current - Normal Condition.	With mains cable: Maximum leakage current = X2 (<= 100μA)	S(2):P/X2or S(2):F/X2
Safety (3)	Perform Safety Test: Enclosure Leakage Current - Single Fault Condition - Open Supply.	With mains cable: Maximum leakage current = X3 (<= 500μA) (Note: maximum leakage current in the US: 300μA)	S(3):P/X3or S(3):F/X3
Safety (4)	Perform Safety Test: Enclosure Leakage Current - Single Fault Condition - Open Earth.	With mains cable: Maximum leakage current = X4 (<= 500μA) (Note: maximum leakage current in the US: 300μA)	S(4):P/X4or S(4):F/X4

### Table 2: M2720A: Test and Inspection Matrix

### **Description of Applicable Safety Tests**

Abbreviations

AP: Applied Parts GND: Ground IUT: Instrument Under Test PE: Protective Earth

#### S(1): Protective Earth Test

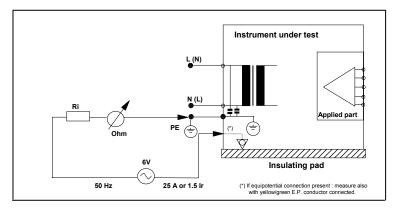
#### Test to perform:

The protective earth test measures impedance of Protective Earth (PE) terminal to all exposed metal parts of Instrument under Test (IUT), which are connected to the Protective Earth (PE) for safety reasons. Normally it includes the wiring in the mains cable (max. 200 mOhm).

A test current of 25 Amps is applied for five to ten seconds. It is recommended to flex the main cable during the test to identify potential bad contact or damage to the earth wire.

Safety Test according to IEC 60601-1 (Clause 18).

Report the highest value.



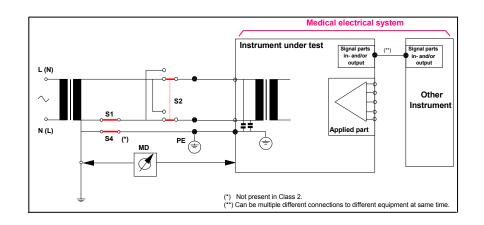
#### S(2): Enclosure Leakage Current Test - Normal Condition (NC)

#### Test to perform:

The enclosure leakage current: normal condition is applicable to Class 1 and 2 equipment, type B, BF, and CF Applied Parts. The test measures leakage current of exposed metal parts of the Instrument Under Test; it tests normal and reversed polarity.

For Type BF and CF Applied Parts the test measures AP/GND. Safety Test according to IEC 60601-1 (Clause 19.4g).

Report the highest value.



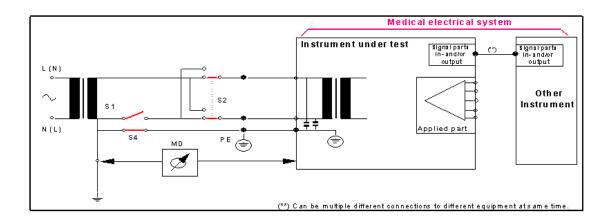
#### S(3): Enclosure Leakage Current Test - Single Fault Condition (SFC) Open Supply

#### Test to perform:

The enclosure leakage current: single fault condition open supply is applicable to Class 1 and 2 equipment, type B, BF, and CF Applied Parts. The test measures leakage current of exposed metal parts of Instrument Under Test with one supply lead interrupted; it tests normal and reversed polarity.

For type BF and CF Applied Parts measures AP/GND.

Safety Test according IEC 60601-1 (Clause 19.4g). Report the highest value.

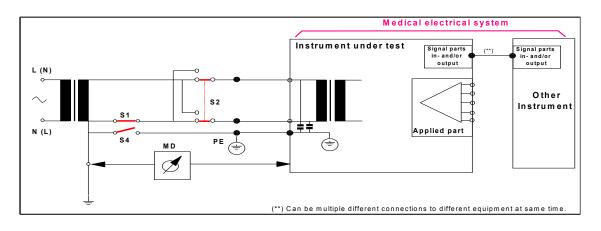


#### S(4): Enclosure Leakage Current - SFC Open Earth (Ground)

#### Test to perform:

The enclosure leakage current: single fault condition open earth (ground) is applicable to Class 1 equipment, type B, BF and CF Applied Parts. The test measures leakage current of exposed metal parts of Instrument Under Test with Protective Earth open-circuit; it tests normal and reversed polarity. For type BF and CF Applied Parts the test measures AP/GND. *Safety Test according IEC 60601-1 (Clause 19.4g)*.

Report the highest value.



#### **Instrument Safety Test**

You must perform the instrument safety test every time you exchange, repair, upgrade or in any other way work on the power supply or the power inlet. You must test the system as a stand-alone system, and as a system in conjunction with the fetal monitor.

The instrument safety test is made up of four separate tests :

- Protective Earth Test
- Enclosure Leakage Current Normal Condition
- Enclosure Leakage Current Single Fault Condition
- Patient Leakage Current Single Fault Condition

#### System Test

Whenever you connect the cordless fetal transducer system via a fetal monitor to an obstetrical system such as Philips OB TraceVue you must perform the System Test. The System Test consists of the Enclosure Leakage Current tests (normal and single fault condition) as described on page 40. You must run this test when connecting either a new or repaired system.

### **Regular Preventive Maintenance**

The care and cleaning requirements that apply to the Avalon CTS and the monitoring accessories are described in the *Instructions for Use*. This section details the periodic maintenance recommended for the base station, transducers and accessories.

#### **Mechanical Inspection**

All rear panel connections must be tight. Check all exterior housings for cracks and damage. Check the condition of all external cables, especially for splits or cracks and signs of twisting. If serious damage is evident, the cable should be replaced immediately. Check that all mountings are correctly installed and secure. Refer to the instructions that accompany the relevant mounting solution. Check that the protective earth cable is properly and securely connected.

#### Visual Check

Ensure there are no cracks in the transducer housing. Make sure the battery drawer fits properly into the transducer housing, and that the sealing lip is in good condition. Inspect the LCD window, and if there is water or condensation behind the window, replace the transducer. On the ECG transducer, ensure that the adapter cable socket is not damaged.

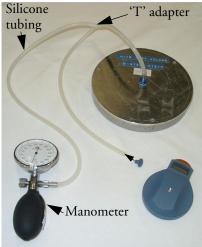
#### **Toco Ventilation/Belt Button**

The Toco transducer requires air exchange for drift-free operation. This is effected through a ventilation membrane incorporated in the belt button. The effectiveness of the ventilation membrane should be checked at least once a year to ensure that free air exchange takes place. If the membrane is congested, the belt button must be exchanged (see the instruction sheet, "Removing and Replacing the Transducer Belt Button" that accompanies the belt button replacement kit, or see page 77 in this manual).

#### **Testing the Ventilation Membrane**

If you want to test the ventilation membrane in the belt button, you need the following:





- Manometer.
- Test volume chamber.
- Three lengths of silicone tubing with a 'T' adapter.
- 1 Remove the belt button from the transducer using the special tool (see the instruction sheet "Removing and Replacing the Transducer Battery/Belt Button").
- 2 Connect the manometer to the volume chamber using two lengths of the silicone tubing and 'T' adapter as shown. Connect one end of the remaining length of silicone tubing to the 'T' adapter, and the other to the threaded end of the belt button.
- 3 Apply pressure with the manometer (for example, 250 to 260 mmHg).
- 4 Release the manometer valve. The pressure should fall rapidly, to indicate that the membrane is functioning correctly.
- 5 If the pressure does not fall rapidly, then the ventilation membrane is congested. Replace the belt button (see page 77, or the instruction sheet, "Removing and Replacing the Belt Button", that accompanies the belt button replacement kit (part number M2720-64001) containing:
  - three replacement buttons.
  - a special tool to remove the button.
  - the instruction sheet.

### **Battery Check**

Under normal circumstances, the transducer's battery offers a minimum operating time of 16 hours. If the operating time does not reach the 16 hour minimum, this indicates that the battery is near the end of its useful life, and needs to be replaced. Batteries which have a reduced capacity can still be used, even though they will have a shortened operating time, but a replacement should be considered as soon as possible.

When battery performance is suspect, even after a normal charge cycle, run the battery check. The Battery Check is a diagnostic procedure for determining the operating time of a fully charged battery. In normal operation, the battery will rarely approach a state of full discharge, typically only a small proportion of the total capacity will be used.

Even a battery with suspect performance will still have a relatively high capacity when it is freshly charged. As a result, the test takes approximately eight hours. For the duration of the test, the Avalon CTS cannot be used. To limit this down time, the test automatically stops if the batteries have reached the minimum operating time.

Removing a transducer from the base station during a battery check will start the transducer shut down process.

To run the battery check, all transducers must be inactive and at least one transducer must be docked in the base station. In the following example describes a battery check with two docked transducers, Transducer 1 and Transducer 2, in slots 1 and 2 respectively. Transducer 2 has a battery exhibiting reduced performance.

### **Starting the Battery Check**

Step	Action	Display looks like
1	Press the two arrow keys 💽 🛦 simultaneously. The bed label blinks, the two-digit display goes blank.	
2	Press twice to enter the 'A' settings. 'A' flashes in the display.	•
3	Press C . 'A1' appears, and the '1' blinks.	• 8)
4	Press kwice to increment 'A' setting to 3.	• 83
5	Press C . Base station display shows two segment bars for the duration of the check.	•

#### **Stopping the Battery Test**

You can cancel the battery check at any stage by pressing *C* for more than one second, or by switching the base station to stand-by.

#### **Stages of the Battery Check**

The battery check has four stages:

- 1 Battery charge cycle
- 2 Fast battery discharge
- 3 Battery capacity display

These stages are indicated by special patterns in the transducer LCD window.

Stage	Description	Transducer 1 display Transducer 2 display
1	<ul> <li>Battery charge cycle</li> <li>The battery symbols of slots 1 and 2 blink, indicating that battery charging is in progress.</li> <li>Transducers <ul> <li>remain unprogrammed</li> <li>shut down if removed</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	The right-hand horizontal segment bars of the two- digit numeric display wander up and down (from bottom up). This indicates that battery charging is in progress.
2	<ul> <li>Fast battery discharge</li> <li>The battery is rapidly discharged.</li> </ul>	The right-hand horizontal segment bars of the two- digit numeric display wander up and down (from top down). This indicates that fast battery discharge is in progress.
3	<ul> <li>Battery capacity display</li> <li>Transducer display shows the estimated operating time when: <ul> <li>the discharge time is over or</li> <li>the battery is empty</li> </ul> </li> <li>In this example, the battery of Transducer 2 should be changed, as the estimated operating time is below the minimum 16 hours.</li> </ul>	The estimated operating time of the battery (in hours) alternates with the symbol 'H'.

After the battery check has finished, the estimated operating time remains displayed until you press for more than one second, or switch the base station to stand-by.

### **Reading Battery Check Data Using the Service Support Tool**

The results of the last battery test performed are stored in the base station's EEPROM. There is no time stamp. This data can be read using the Service Support Tool, and this can be useful, for example, if the results of the battery check were not noted. Refer to the *Service Support Tool Help* for details.

# **Battery Exchange**

If the battery requires replacement, use the battery kit (M2720-64001). This contains:

- a replacement battery already fitted into a replacement battery drawer
- a special tool for removing the battery drawer
- an instruction sheet

For details of how to replace the battery, see the Instruction Sheet "Removing and Replacing the Transducer Battery" that accompanies the battery replacement kit, or refer to page 75 in this guide.

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# Troubleshooting

A guide for recognizing system error messages and for troubleshooting problems you may encounter while using the system is given in the *Instructions for Use*. This chapter provides a guide for qualified service personnel for troubleshooting problems that cannot be resolved by the user.

**CAUTION** If the troubleshooting procedure requires you to disassemble the base station, be certain to follow the disassembly and reassembly procedures given in Chapter 4. Whenever parts are replaced in the system, be certain to verify the hardware and software compatibility of the repaired system.

# System is Completely Inoperative

If the base station Power-On Light does not light when the base station is in stand-by or when switched on:

- Check that the power cord is firmly connected to the base station.
- Check the condition of the power cable, and replace it if damaged, or if there are any defective connections.
- Check that the power cord is properly connected to the AC mains supply.
- Check the fuses, and replace if necessary. See "Changing Fuses" on page 22.

### **Common Problems**

Reasons why the cordless transducers may not work properly are given below, along with suggested actions to take:

Possible Reasons	Action
Base station cannot tune into a free channel.	<b>Check the antenna</b> . Is it correctly and securely attached to the base station?
	Scan for RF interference (see "Scanning the Available Frequency Range" on page 54).
	Exclude frequency ranges with RF interference (see "Excluding Frequencies" on page 54).
	Fix the RF frequency used by the system (see "Base Station with Fixed Frequency" on page 54).
Out of available channels. For example, after excluding "problem" frequencies, only two channels are avilable, but you want to use three transducers.	Check if it is possible to get more free channels. As a workaround, you could alternate the use of one of the channels between US and ECG.

Possible Reasons	Action	
The transducer has a serial number of zero (not a valid number) and error E5 is displayed on the base station.	Assign a valid serial number to the transducer by using the Service Support Tool with a valid access code (see Service Support Tool Help).	
Two transducers have the same serial number and error E5 is displayed on the base station.	Change the serial number of one of the transducers by using the Service Support Tool with a valid access code (see Service Support Tool Help), or replace one of the transducers with one from another base station.	
Two or more transducers use the same frequency. Reasons:		
<ul> <li>There is more than one fixed frequency base station with the same channel spacing.</li> <li>OR</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Change the base stations' base frequency and/or the channel spacing (see Service Support Tool Help).</li> <li>OR</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>There are two or more transducers programmed with the same fixed frequency.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Assign different fixed frequencies to each transducer (see Service Support Tool Help).</li> </ul>	
General incompatibility: for example, an ISM band transducer is being used with a WMTS band receiver.	Ensure hardware and software compatibility.	
Communication error (always results in an inoperative transducer).	Communication errors cannot be checked using the Service Tool.	
	1. Check contacts (see page 52).	
	2. Reset the system (see page 49).	
	3. If reset fails, replace the transducer.	
	4. If problem persists, replace the base station.	
Is the transmitter out of range?	Determine the effective operating range of the system in your particular environment, and inform the patient to stay within this area while monitoring takes place. See "Range Definition" on page 52.	
Is the antenna functioning properly?	Standard antenna: check the connection to the base station.	
	Remote antenna: check the connection to the base station. Test the antenna system by bringing the transmitter close to the receiver. If the transmission is good, then the antenna system is not functioning properly. See also "Broadband Interference" on page 53.	
Is the Avalon CTS mounted in an enclosed metal rack?	Try the base station outside of the rack. If there is a marked improvement, use the optional Antenna Extension Mounting kit (M1361A Option 1AA).	
Is the patient near material that absorbs electromagnetic waves (for example, metal- reinforced concrete, elevator doors)?	If the problem relates to the construction of the building, consider an alternative location if this is practical.	
Is the frequency range of the base station different from the transducer?	Ensure that both the base station and the transducers operate on the same frequencies. If necessary, change the frequencies. Refer to the Service Support Tool Help for details.	
Are there other Avalon systems in the same location with the same frequency range?	In the case of multiple cordless/telemetry installations, allocate a unique fixed frequency to each system.	

Possible Reasons	Action	
Is the transducer battery performance suspect?	Charge the battery.	
	If battery performance is still not satisfactory after charging, carry out the battery check. (see page 43).	
	If necessary, change the transducer battery (see page 75).	
US acoustical signal is noisy, indicating	To solve US interference problems:	
interference.	<ul> <li>In the case of a base station and transducers using automatic channel search, bring the transducer back to the base station and register it to a new frequency by docking it in an appropriate slot.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>In the case of a base station with fixed frequencies, increase the channel spacing between the transducer slots (see "Base Station with Fixed Frequency" on page 54).</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>In the case of transducers with fixed frequencies, change the frequency and/or increase the frequency spacing between transducers (see "Transducers with Fixed Frequency" on page 55).</li> </ul>	

# **Troubleshooting a Cordless System: an Overview**

Troubleshooting a cordless system presents some unique challenges. These arise from several assemblies acquiring signals, processing signals, and transmitting/receiving signals. Problems can result from hardware and communications failures, or can be RF-related.

In the case of a suspected malfunction it is important to first verify that the malfunction is a genuine failure. This can be checked by:

- Resetting the system
- Checking/cleaning the charge/communication contacts
- Checking the fetal monitor and antenna

### System Reset

Always reset the system as the first troubleshooting step. With the transducers docked in the appropriate slots, disconnect the power cord from the AC mains supply. Wait until the AC power LED is off, then reconnect the system to the AC mains supply. A persistent problem indicates a genuine malfunction.

If you think that the display information is suspicious, initiate the power-on self test by switching the base station to standby, and then switching it on again. All display elements of the transducer and base station should be displayed briefly before the normal registration process starts.

### **Checking Contacts**

If the transducer cannot be registered to the base station, or you suspect that the transducer is not behaving normally while it is docked, check that the spring-loaded charge/communication contacts are clean and free of dirt and ultrasound gel. Check that the springs function correctly by applying pressure with a finger on the contacts. The contacts should offer some resistance, deflect and return to their normal position; if they do not, then the top cover should be renewed (see "Replacing the Top Cover Assembly" on page 21).

## **Checking the Fetal Monitor**

If parameter measurements are not possible, first check that the system is connected correctly to the fetal monitor using the appropriate interface cable as described in the technical specifications. Is the mode annotated on the recorder trace, or does it appear on the displays? If not, check that the interface cable is properly connected and that the cable locks are securely fastened. Also ensure that the fetal monitor's recorder is switched on, and check, and if necessary replace, the power cord.

### **RF Problems**

An RF problem can be summarized as a loss of monitoring capability due to signal corruption in the RF link (transmitter to antenna to receiver). A lack of parameter measurements, or the inability of the transducer to reach the registered, ready state may indicate an RF-related problem. A problem is likely to be an RF problem if it causes any of the following conditions:

- Weak or intermittent signals, or signal loss (see also "Area of Reach" on page 51).
- Interference (see also "RF Interference" on page 53).

The most likely reason for RF problems is a missing or inoperative antenna. Check that it is properly connected to the base station. If the antenna is properly connected, and the problem persists, then follow the RF troubleshooting operations in this chapter, starting at "Gathering Data" on page 50 through "Transducers with Fixed Frequency" on page 55.

### **Carrier to Noise Ratio**

At any time, the performance of the RF reception of a cordless system is dependent on two factors:

- The signal strength of the desired or "carrier" signal.
- The power level of any background RF activity or "noise" at the same frequency.

In order for the cordless system to receive the RF signal without errors (corrupted or invalid data) the carrier power level must be significantly above the power level of any background noise. If data corruption occurs, it indicates that at that time the carrier to noise ratio (CNR) was too low.

When RF data corruption occurs, the most obvious symptoms are signal loss, degradation of the area of reach, or US noise.

The CNR can drop below the critical level for one or both of the following reasons:

- Low signal the signal strength of the carrier is lower than expected.
- Interference the background noise level at the receiver frequency is higher than expected.

Ultimately, all of the RF problems within your system occur because of these reasons.

Both of these problems can be identified by observing the signal loss indicator warning (m) (n) on the base station, in addition to dropouts on the recorder traces (see also "Range Definition" on page 52).

### **Gathering Data**

Gathering the information to troubleshoot a potential RF problem will probably account for around fifty percent of your job in determining if in fact you do have an RF problem. To gather data, you should:

- 1 Observe system performance
- 2 Question the user

#### **Observe System Performance**

While cordless monitoring offers many advantages, it can also provide challenges. The reliability and quality of the signal transmission through the air and hospital walls is governed by a number of variables which can be difficult to control. A cordless system cannot be as dependable as a hard-wired system that transmits its signal through a wire. This is because signals travelling through a wire are not subject to factors in the RF environment. The effect of problems in the RF environment on the cordless system ranges from momentary loss of the signal to complete inoperability, depending on the situation. While momentary signal loss is to be expected, frequent extended periods of signal loss need to be investigated.

Observe the system in operation. Does the system operation appear normal? If not, what seems abnormal about it? What warning indicators are on?

#### **Question the User**

Determining exactly what the user is complaining about can be difficult. RF signals are subject to interference and are inherently less reliable than signals passing through cables. Troubleshooting a cordless system is therefore more difficult than a wired system, and requires special equipment and techniques. The following checklist will assist you, when questioning the user, to gather data helpful for technical support:

- If you observed problems during system operation, confirm they are problems of which the user is complaining.
- Has the system always had these problems or are they a recent development?
- Is the symptom occurring on one channel, some channels, or all channels?
- Is the symptom occurring in a specific area or place?
- Is the symptom continuous or intermittent?
- How long does the symptom last?
- How often does the symptom appear?
- Does the symptom only occur at specific times?
- Does the symptom have "quiet" and "noisy" periods?

### Area of Reach

The effective operating range, or the area of reach, of the system will vary depending on the geographical and constructional characteristics of the building where the system is installed. We recommend that you define the effective operating range prior to putting the system into operation.

If the area of reach is not sufficient using the standard antenna supplied with the system, there are a few things to consider initially:

- The placement of the antenna has an effect on the operating range. If it is located inside a metal cart
  or other RF-absorbing material, then place the antenna externally by using the Antenna Extension
  Mounting Kit (M1361A Option 1AA) to increase the range.
- Check the orientation of the antenna. In general, the antenna provides the greatest range when it is
  positioned vertically.
- If the area of reach is still insufficient, consider installing an antenna system.

## **Range Definition**

You can define the area of reach by performing a walk-test, either carrying a fluid-filled bag with the transducers attached to it, or by wearing the transducers. The fluid-filled bag has the advantage that it can be placed in various positions (e.g. in a bath tub) which would not be so practical for the tester. The area of reach can be determined by observing how far from the base station the transducers will still work normally allowing continuous monitoring. The testers can communicate with each other using appropriate communications equipment (for example, walkie-talkies).

There are two ways to define the area of reach:

- Watching the indicator/warning lamps on the base station.
- Watching the Received Signal Strength Indicator (RSSI) using a PC and the Service Support Tool.

#### Using the Base Station

How to proceed:

- 1 Connect the base station to the fetal monitor.
- 2 Switch on the fetal monitor's recorder.
- 3 Register the transducers to the base station, so that they are active.
- 4 Take out the transducer and check for a good RF link. The lamp ((w)) should be continuously on.
- 5 Walk with the transducer to cover the area intended for monitoring.
- 6 If you see the signal loss warning lamps in the environment in question. Also, check for frequent mode annotations on the recorder trace. Loss of RF signal will show as dropouts on the recorded trace. This also indicates that you are close to the operating limit of the RF signal range.
- 8 Repeat to cover the whole area of intended operation. This is the limit of the range where the system can transmit and receive parameter measurements reliably.

#### Using the Service Support Tool

How to proceed:

- 1 Connect the base station to the fetal monitor.
- 2 Switch on the fetal monitor's recorder.
- 3 Connect the PC loaded with the Service Support Tool software to the base station using the PC interface cable (M1360-61675).
- 4 Register the transducers to the base station, so that they are active.
- 5 Use the Service Support Tool software to display the RSSI signals, for all slots, and additionally the amount of squelch noise for slots 1 and 2. Refer to the *Service Support Tool Help* for details.
- 6 Go to a different room within the intended operating area and place the fluid-filled bag there. You can place the bag in a bath tub to get a realistic indication of the area of reach when monitoring underwater (a metal bath tub and underwater monitoring both reduce the operating range).

- 7 Go back to the PC and check the RSSI signal displayed by the Service Support Tool. If the RSSI bar is yellow or green, then the signal quality is adequate. Poor quality, or loss of, RF signals will result in a low, red RSSI signal, together with a high amount of squelch. See the *Service Support Tool Help*. Check for frequent mode annotations on the recorder trace. Loss of RF signal will show as dropouts on the recorded trace. This indicates that you are close to the operating limit of the RF signal range.
- 8 Repeat to cover the whole area of intended operation. This is the limit of the range where the system can transmit and receive parameter measurements reliably.

### **RF Interference**

You may encounter RF-related problems other than those associated with the area of reach. Problems concerning RF link stability are due to RF interference. There are two categories of interference:

- On-channel or narrowband interference
- Broadband interference

#### **One-Channel or Narrowband Interference**

This is defined as an interference source that occupies the same bandwidth as the transmitter and only interferes with one channel or two frequency adjacent channels.

It is likely that the channel is set to the same frequency as another telemetry unit, or there is interference from an external source, such as a broadcasting station. Be sure to check for adult and fetal telemetry channels. Also check for other radio devices such as walkie-talkies, paging systems, ambulance systems, and so forth.

If you encounter narrowband RF interference you can:

- Identify the "problem" frequencies or frequency ranges (see "Scanning the Available Frequency Range" on page 54).
- Exclude these frequencies or frequency ranges (see "Excluding Frequencies" on page 54).
- Set the base station or the transducers to fixed frequency operation (see page 54).

#### **Broadband Interference**

A broadband interference source occupies the bandwidth of many channels causing degradation of the carrier-to-noise ratio (CNR) on all of the telemetry channels for as long as it is present. This results in an increase in dropouts on all of the channels. The system has quiet and noisy periods. When the noise source is on, the system is noisy. When the noise source is off, the system performs well. To try to eliminate the problem:

- Troubleshoot the problem as it is occurring. Use the Service Support Tool to scan the RF environment for interference (refer to the *Service Support Tool Help* for details). Ask users to determine if there is a pattern, when the episodes occur, and how long they last. If there is a pattern (for example, every morning between 6 and 8 AM), try to predict when it will happen again, and prepare to troubleshoot.
- Locate where the interference signal is entering the system. If an antenna system is being used, remove branches from the antenna system to see when the interference quiets down. Remember that you will not be able to monitor patients that are being received by antennas that have been removed.
- Remember that interference sources can move, making troubleshooting a little more difficult. Work quickly!

• Solve the problem by trying to eliminate or repair the source. In the case of an antenna system, relocate or permanently remove the antenna where the signal is entering. Things to check for that cause broadband RF interference are other pieces of electrical equipment, especially RF devices using the same frequency range.

# **Guidelines for Channel/Frequency Configuration**

- 1 Where there is no significant RF interference, few other telemetry devices and a small number of Avalon CTS systems (ten or less) are installed, then the standard configuration with automatic free channel search should be used.
- 2 If interference from other RF sources is encountered, then it may be appropriate to still use automatic free channel search, but excluding the offending frequencies (see "Excluding Frequencies" below), using the Service Support Tool.
- 3 If there are many telemetry devices and/or multiple Avalon CTS installations in the hospital, we recommend that an RF plan is implemented, with different frequency ranges allocated to different types of telemetry. In this case, the base station should be set to fixed frequency operation (see "Base Station with Fixed Frequency" on page 54), in conjunction with excluded frequency ranges.
- 4 If there are only a small number of available frequency channels, consider using fixed frequency transducers (see "Transducers with Fixed Frequency" on page 55). If dedicated frequencies are required, use fixed frequency transducers.

# Scanning the Available Frequency Range

If interference is evident or suspected the first step is to use the Service Support Tool to perform a scan of the available frequency range to identify interferers and locate occupied frequency ranges. This informs you which frequencies you may need to exclude. To do this you need:

- An industry standard PC with the Service Support Tool software installed (supplied on Documentation CD-ROM M1350-9150T)
- PC interface cable for the Service Support Tool (M1360-61675)

Refer to the Service Support Tool Help for details.

# **Excluding Frequencies**

Having established the occupied frequency ranges by scanning the available frequency range (see above), you can exclude up to four frequency ranges by using a PC installed with the Service Support Tool.

Refer to the Service Support Tool Help for details.

# **Base Station with Fixed Frequency**

There are instances when free channel selection is not desired, and the setting of fixed frequency for the base station is preferable or necessary. For multiple cordless/telemetry installations in the same hospital, especially when connected to an antenna system, the hospital should implement an RF plan. Each system (adult telemetry, fetal telemetry, Avalon cordless), should have a fixed frequency reserved for it, and this should be documented in a suitable way (for example, on an RF chart).

The setting of fixed frequencies is done using the Service Support Tool. Refer to the *Service Support Tool Help* for details.

The frequency of a slot is separated from that of another slot from the same base station by channel spacing. The base station is shipped with a default channel spacing appropriate for the country in question, and normally this requires no adjustment.

If it there are transducers working close to each other from the same base station and the transducers are interfering with each other (exhibited, for example, by a noise on the ultrasound channel), you can make the channel spacing wider (**only** after consulting Philips Support). You can do this by changing the F-settings using the Service Support Tool (refer to the *Service Support Tool Help*), or manually using the configuration keys on the base station (refer to page 66).

The first slot allocates the base fixed frequency to its transducer. The frequency allocated by the second slot to its transducer is the base frequency plus the channel spacing (whether default or user-selected). The frequency alocated by the third slot is the frequency of the second slot plus the channel spacing.

### **Transducers with Fixed Frequency**

Sometimes it is preferable or necessary to set fixed frequencies for the transducers. In this case, the base station is set to autamatic channel search. When a transducer is docked in a slot, the base station recognizes that the transducer is set to a fixed frequency, and allocates that frequency to the transducer.

The setting of fixed frequencies is done using the Service Support Tool (**only** after consulting Philips Support). Refer to the *Service Support Tool Help* for details.

Transducers with fixed frequencies have the following advantages:

- They are particularly suitable for use with antenna systems.
- They are particularly suitable in large installations, where you can avoid interference problems between the large number of telemetry systems or other RF interference sources.
- They make it easier to prevent the Avalon CTS system from interfering with other RF devices.
- They make it easier to interchange transducers between different base stations.

Do not assign the same frequency to more than one transducer.

### Transducers for Japan

Transducers for Japan have fixed frequencies. They are initially shipped from the factory in normal 'open' condition and the frequencies are set locally prior to installation. This can only be done once, and if it needs to be done again, an access code must be obtained from the factory.

# **Testing Transducers**

This section shows you how to carry out an electrical check on the transducers. Details of the visual inspection are given in Chapter 6.

### **Ultrasound Transducer Electrical Check**

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**CAUTION** Use of ultrasound gel that is not approved by Philips may reduce signal quality and may damage the transducer. This type of damage is not covered by warranty.

- 1 Register the transducer to the base station following the red color coding, so that it displays a bed label and has an active RF link (see the *Instructions for Use* for details).
- 2 Turn the fetal monitor's loudspeaker volume up to an audible level.
- 3 The ultrasound transducer contains seven piezoelectric crystals. Basic functioning of each can be verified by holding a flat bottomed pencil or similar above each crystal and moving it up and down as shown.

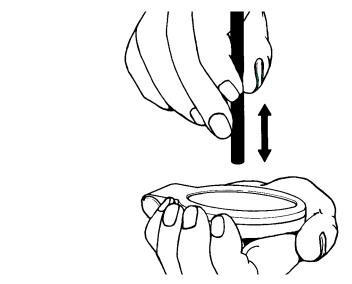


Figure 4 Testing an Ultrasound Transducer Using a Pencil

A sound should be heard for each crystal tested. The pencil should be held two to three centimeters from the transducer surface when the test is carried out.

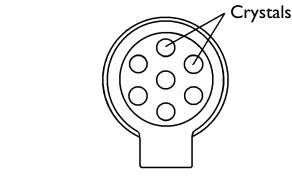
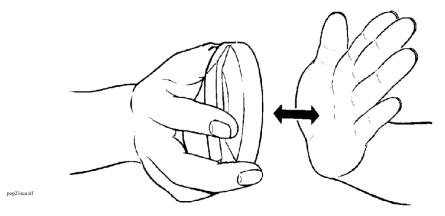


Figure 5 Position of Crystals in an Ultrasound Transducer

4 A sound should also be heard when the transducer is moved back and forth over a solid surface, or the hand as shown below.



#### Figure 6 Checking an Ultrasound Transducer

If the test results are not as outlined above, repeat the tests with another transducer. If this does not solve the problem:

- Check that the base station is properly connected to the fetal monitor.
- There is likely to be a RF-related problem. Check for frequent mode annotations on the fetal monitor's recorder to confirm this. Refer to the information on RF troubleshooting in this chapter, and to the chapter "Troubleshooting" in the *Instructions for Use*.

If the problem persists, replace the transducer.

The transducers are sealed and are NOT repairable.

#### **TOCO Transducer Electrical Check**

- 1 Register the transducer to the base station following the brown color coding, so that it displays a bed label and has an active RF link (see the *Instructions for Use* for details). Ensure that:
  - the Toco display shows 20 on the fetal monitor.
  - when the recorder is switched on, the date, time, mode and paper speed are printed on the recorder trace.
- 2 Press the transducer's Toco sensor firmly and look for a deflection on the display and recorder. The external Toco display maximum is 127 units.
- 3 Lay the transducer face up on a hard, flat surface for a few seconds, so that the belt button and the takeout aid end of the transducer make contact with the surface (see Figure 7 on page 58).
- 4 Press the Toco Baseline Key to re-adjust the Toco display to 20.

5 T urn the transducer over so that the Toco sensor is resting on the flat surface. The transducer will always adopt the same, slightly inclined position, with the take-out aid end of the transducer also resting on the surface (see Figure 7).

You should see a marked increase in the value of the Toco reading in the Toco display.

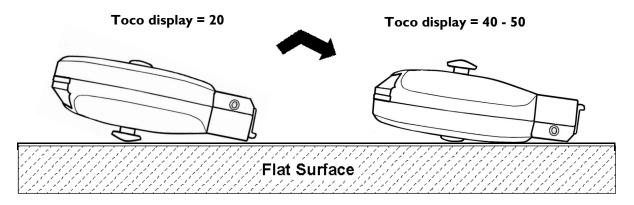


Figure 7 Checking a Toco Transducer

If the test results are not as outlined above, repeat the test with another Toco transducer. If this does not solve the problem:

- Check that the base station is properly connected to the fetal monitor.
- There is likely to be an RF-related problem. Check for frequent mode annotations on the fetal monitor's recorder to confirm this. Refer to the information on RF troubleshooting in this chapter, and to the chapter "Troubleshooting" in the *Instructions for Use*.

If the problem persists, replace the transducer.

The transducers are sealed and are NOT repairable.

### **ECG Transducer Electrical Check**

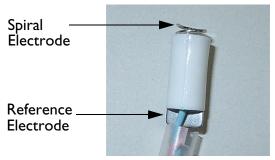
Carry out the elctrical check on the ECG transducer in both DECG annd MECG mode.

#### In DECG Mode

- 1 Ensure that the ECG transducer is registered to the base station, is showing a bed label and has a good RF link to the base station.
- 2 Attach the DECG adapter cable M1362B to the red color-coded socket on the transducer.
- 3 Ensure that the Cardio 1/Combi channel display on the fetal monitor shows **nop** with the adapter cable M1362B attached.
- 4 Take a new (sterile) Fetal Scalp Electrode, and connect it to the DECG adapter cable.

#### 5 EITHER

Make a short between the spiral elctrode and the reference electrode with your fingers (it is best to wet your fingers first).





#### OR

Cut off the plastic tip of the fetal scalp electrode (containing the spiral and reference electrodes) from the end of the wires. Strip the insulation from the end of the wires, and connect them to a patient simulator.

6 **nop** should disappear.

If the test results are not as outlined above, repeat the test with another ECG transducer. If this does not solve the problem consider the following:

- Check that the base station is properly connected to the fetal monitor.
- There is likely to be an RF-related problem. Check for frequent mode annotations on the fetal monitor's recorder to confirm this. Refer to the information on RF troubleshooting in this chapter, and to the chapter "Troubleshooting" in the *Instructions for Use*.
- If **nop** is still displayed, the DECG adapter cable may be defective. Replace the adapter cable.

If the problem persists, replace the transducer.

The transducers are sealed and are NOT repairable.

#### In MECG Mode

- 1 Ensure that the ECG transducer is registered to the base station, is showing a bed label and has a good RF link to the base station.
- 2 Attach the MECG adapter cable M1363A to the red color-coded socket on the transducer.
- 3 MECG values are displayed on the maternal LCD display (according to fetal monitor specification) or annotated on the recorder strip.
- 4 EITHER

Attach electrodes to the M1363A adapter cable, and apply the electrodes to the skin (for example on the wrists).

OR

Attach the M1363A adapter cable to a patient simulator.

You should see MECG values displayed on the maternal LCD display or annotated on the recorder trace.

If the test results are not as outlined above, repeat the test with another ECG transducer. If this does not solve the problem:

- The MECG adapter cable may be defective. Replace the adapter cable, and repeat the test.
- Check that the base station is properly connected to the fetal monitor.

• There is likely to be an RF-related problem. Check for frequent mode annotations on the fetal monitor's recorder to confirm this. Refer to the information on RF troubleshooting in this chapter, and to the chapter "Troubleshooting" in the *Instructions for Use*.

If the problem persists, replace the transducer.

The transducers are sealed and are NOT repairable.

### **Troubleshooting the Top Cover**

Note that malfunction of the top cover can be due to MIF board failures. In this case, repair is effected by exchanging the base station.

If after opening the top cover, or following a repair, the display, all lamps, and all function buttons fail to work, check the ribbon cable connection to the MIF board.

The top cover contains the following items:

- Charge/communication contacts (see "Checking Contacts" on page 49)
- Function buttons
- Display/window
- LEDs
- Magnets

#### **Function Buttons**

If any of the buttons fail to function, reset the system (see "System Reset" on page 49). If an individual button fails to work, try to solve the problem by renewing the top cover (see "Removing the Top Cover Assembly" on page 20 and "Replacing the Top Cover Assembly" on page 21). If all the function buttons fail to work, then this is likely to be a MIF board malfunction, a repair being effected by exchanging the base station.

#### **Display/Window**

If the base station display does not function or you suspect that it is not working normally, reset the system (see "System Reset" on page 49), and check the lamps during the lamp-test phase of the self-test. Look for:

- missing segments of the two-digit display.
- defective lamps.
- LED segments of the two-digit display that are flicker or are darker or lighter than normal (indicates MIF board malfunction, and hence base station exchange).

If the problem persists, replace the top cover, or exchange the base station, as appropriate. If the display window breaks, or is scratched and no longer readable, renew the top cover (see "Removing the Top Cover Assembly" on page 20 and "Replacing the Top Cover Assembly" on page 21).

#### LEDs

If any of the LEDs fail to light when they should, reset the system (see "System Reset" on page 49). If the problem persists, renew the top cover assembly (see "Removing the Top Cover Assembly" on page 20 and "Replacing the Top Cover Assembly" on page 21).

#### **Magnets**

If you see something unusual in the transducer's LCD, or if you pick up and gently shake the base station and you can hear something moving inside, then it is likely that one or more of the three magnets has been dislodged. To investigate further:

- 1 Remove the top cover assembly (see "Removing the Top Cover Assembly" on page 20).
- 2 Try to refit the magnet it should snap back into place.
- 3 If the magnet does not snap into place, then the plastic lugs that hold the magnet are probably broken or damaged. If this is the case, renew the top cover assembly (see "Replacing the Top Cover Assembly" on page 21).

# **Factory Information Code Log**

All detected hardware and software internal errors generated by the base station and the transducers are logged in an internal log file residing in the EEPROM. The errors are mapped to a two-digit hexadecimal Factory Information Code (FIC). The FIC is stored in the EEPROM, with the oldest code at the top of the list and the newest at the bottom. The contents of the FIC log require no interpretation. The log file can only be read using the Service Support Tool via the service port. The log can be saved to a file and the file returned to the factory for debugging (see the *Service Support Tool Help* for details). The log can only be cleared manually by using the keys on the base station (see Chapter 8, "Changing Settings").

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# **Changing Settings**

There are four classes of settings for individually configuring the Avalon CTS:

- Bed Label setting (refer to Instructions for Use)
- C = Configuration settings
- F = Function settings
- A = Action settings

The C and F settings can be set:

- using a PC with the Service Support Tool installed. This is the recommended method.
- manually, using the keys on the base station.

The A settings can only be set manually, using the keys on the base station.

# **Configuration Settings**

The *Instructions for Use* describes how to manually change the theft protection level (C1), theft protection alert volume (C2) and audible alert volume (C4).

To change the remaining settings manually, follow the step-by-step instructions.

### Key Click, Transducer Insertion/Take Out Confirmation Volume

Step	Action	Display looks like
1	Press the two arrow keys simultaneously. The bed label blinks, the two-digit display goes blank.	
2	Press once to enter the 'C' settings. 'C' flashes in the display.	•
3	Press C . C1 appears, and the '1' blinks.	• 6業
4	Press kwice to increase 'C' setting to 3.	· [3

Step	Action	Display looks like
5	Press C. Two-digit display shows the current setting (3.0=OFF, 3.1=Low, 3.2=Medium, 3.3=High).	• 3.0
6	Press vor to set the desired volume level.	• 3.2
7	Press C to accept the new audible confirmation volume level and return to normal operation.	• <i>≊ 38</i>

### **Acoustical Alarm Default**

Step	Action	Display looks like
1	Press the two arrow keys simultaneously. The bed label blinks, the two-digit display goes blank.	
2	Press once to enter the 'C' settings. 'C' flashes in the display.	•
3	Press C . C1 appears, and the '1' blinks.	• 6 养
4	Press four times to increase 'C' setting to 5.	· CS
5	Press C. Two-digit display shows the current setting (5.0=OFF, 5.1=ON).	• 5.0
6	Press 👽 or 🔺 to set the desired acoustical alarm default.	• 5.漾
7	Press C to accept the new acoustical alarm default and return to normal operation.	• 🖻 38

# **Function Settings**

To change the function settings manually, follow the step-by-step instructions.

### **Bed Label Appearance**

The bed label can be set to appear as two-digit numeric characters between 00 and 99 (factory default), or as a mix of one alphabetic and one numeric character (for example, A1, B5, C9 and so forth). To change the way the bed label is displayed:

Step	Action	Display looks like
1	Press the two arrow keys simultaneously. The bed label blinks, the two-digit display goes blank.	•
2	Press three times to enter the 'F' settings. 'F' flashes in the display.	•
3	Press C . 'F1' appears, and the '1' blinks.	· F 羰
4	Press C again. Two-digit display shows the current setting (1.0=numeric characters only, 1.1=mixed alphabetic and numeric characters)	· <i>I.O</i>
5	Press 🔻 or 🔺 to change the setting.	• 1.*
6	Press C to accept the new setting and return to normal operation.	· ⊨ <i>88</i>

### **Enabling/Disabling Fixed Frequency**

The Service Support Tool is required to set the base frequency. Fixed frequency selection can be enabled on the base station, as follows.

Step	Action	Display looks like
1	Press the two arrow keys simultaneously. The bed label blinks, the two-digit display goes blank.	
2	Press three times to enter the 'F' settings. 'F' flashes in the display.	•
3	Press C . 'F1' appears, and the '1' blinks.	· F 🗼

Step	Action	Display looks like
4	Press once to increment 'F' setting to 2.	• 65
5	Press C. Two-digit display shows the current setting (2.0=automatic channel search, 2.1=fixed frequency)	• <i>2.0</i>
6	Press v or to change the setting.	• 2.1
7	Press C to accept the new setting and return to normal operation.	• ¤ 38

### Selecting the Channel Frequency Spacing

See also page 54. Consult Philips Support before changing the channel frequency spacing.

The Service Support Tool is required to set the base frequency. The channel frequency spacing can be set using the Service Support Tool (see *Service Support Tool Help* for details), or on the base station as follows:

Step	Action	Display looks like
1	Press the two arrow keys simultaneously. The bed label blinks, the two-digit display goes blank.	
2	Press three times to enter the 'F' settings. 'F' flashes in the display.	•
3	Press C . 'F1' appears, and the '1' blinks.	· F 🗼
4	Press kwice to increment 'F' setting to 3.	· F3
5	Press C. Two-digit display shows the current setting. (Channel spacing can be set between 0 and 8 inclusive.) 3.0 = default spacing 3.1 = 1 x 12.5 kHz = 12.5 kHz 3.2 = 2 x 12.5 kHz = 25 kHz 3.n = n x 12.5 kHz and so forth	• 3.0
6	Press 👿 or 🔺 to change the setting for the spacing.	• 3.
7	Press C to accept the new setting and return to normal operation.	• ¤ <i>38</i>

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### **Action Settings**

The action settings can be changed **only** on the base station. To change the action settings, follow the stepby-step instructions.

### **Displaying the Software Revision**

Step	Action	Base station display looks like	
1	Press the two arrow keys values sim blinks, the two-digit display goes blank.		
2	Press twice to enter the 'A' settir display.	• 8	
3	Press C . 'A1' appears, and the '1' bli	· 8}	
4	Press once to increment 'A' settin	• 82	
5	Press C. Two-digit display shows the software revision, in the format	Transducer display (if docked)	Base station display shows sequence
	A.XX.XX, as a sequence. For example, revision A.01.00 is shown in the following way. This cycles for 30		•
	seconds before the display reverts back to normal.		
			· 00

### **Clearing the Factory Information Code (FIC) Log**

Step	Action	Display looks like
1	Press the two arrow keys simultaneously. The bed label blinks, the two-digit display goes blank.	
2	Press twice to enter the 'A' settings. 'A' flashes in the display.	•
3	Press C . 'A1' appears, and the '1' blinks.	· 8柒

Step	Action	Display looks like
4	Press hree times to increment 'A' setting to 4.	• 84
5	Press C. The FIC log is cleared, and the display reverts to normal.	• <i>≊ 38</i>

# Upgrades

The software of the base station and the transducers can be upgraded by a software download from a PC. The base station has a service socket for connection to a PC's standard RS232 serial port. You will need:

- Industry standard PC
- Service Support Tool (on Documentation CD-ROM M1350-9150T)
- PC interface cable for the Service Support Tool (M1360-61675)
- Downloadable software upgrade file (instructions for the download procedure come with the software package. Contact Philips Support for further details).

Refer to the Service Support Tool Help for details of the upgrade procedure.

For tests to perform after upgrading, see "When to Perform Safety Tests" on page 38.

# **Specifications**

Specifications for the accuracy of heart rate measurements are given in the *Instructions for Use* of the fetal monitor.

### General

Environmental Specifications (Transducers and Base Station)				
Temperature Range	mperature RangeCharging0°C to 45°C (32°F to 113°F)			
	Operating	0°C to 45°C (32°F to 113°F)		
	Storage (without battery)	-20°C to +60°C (-4°F to 158°F)		
	Storage with battery (storage time decreases significantly at 113°F) temperatures			
Humidity Range         Operating         5% to 95% relative humidity		5% to 95% relative humidity @ 40°C/104°F		
	Storage	5% to 85% relative humidity @ 50°C/122°F		
Altitude RangeOperating $\leq$ 3000m/9800 ft.		$\leq$ 3000m/9800 ft.		
	Storage	$\leq$ 15000m/49000 ft.		

### **Base Station**

Base Station Specifications				
	Receiver Unit			
Power	Supply Voltages	100 VAC to 240 VAC ± 10%		
	Supply Frequency Range	50 Hz to 60 Hz		
	Consumption	15 VA		
Type of Protection Against Electrical Shock	Class I equipment			
Dimensions and Weight	Size mm/(in): width x depth x height	350 x 240 x 75 (13.8 x 9.5 x 3.0 in)		
	Weight	2.5kg/5.5 lbs without transducers		
Input Sensitivity	Input Sensitivity	-110 dBm @ 30dB Signal-to-Noise Ratio		
Image Rejection	Image Rejection	> 80dB		
Ranges	Frequency Range	See Frequency options		
	Receiving Range (line of sight)	approximately 100m/300 ft.		
Antenna	Input Impedance	50 Ω		
Water Ingress Protection Code IP X1 (protection only against vertically falling water drops)				

Base Station Specifications				
	Monitor Interfa	ce		
Toco Output	Accuracy	± 0,5% per 100 mmHg (not including transmitter)		
	Offset	± 5 Units (not including transmitter)		
	Range	0 to 4V		
Voltage Range	US Voltage range	4mVpp to 4Vpp		
	ECG Voltage range	0.1Vpp to 4Vpp		

## Transducers

Transducer Specifications					
General					
Shock Resistance	Withstands a 1m drop to concrete surface with possible cosmetic damage				
Usability Underwater	0.5m				
Water Ingress Protection Code	IP 68 (0.5m immersion for 5 ho	purs)			
Dimensions and Weight	Size (diameter)	< 10 cm/3.94 in			
	Weight	< 140 g/4.8 oz.			
Battery	Туре	Lithium Ion			
	Capacity	> 16 hours (> 700mAh)			
	Life	> 500 charge/discharge cycles (with new battery, at 25°C/77°F)			
	Transducer Storage Time	≥ 1 year at 25°C/77°F (battery full)			
		≥ 1 month at 25°C/77°F (battery empty)			
	Recharging Time	100% charged < 3h			
		66% charged $\leq$ 1h			
	Forced discharge current	approx. 45mA			
	Discharge leakage current in shutdown @ Vbat = 3V, 25°C	20 μA (typical), 70 μA (max)			
Degree of Protection Against Electrical Shock	Туре СҒ				
	RF Unit				
Nominal RF Output Power	-12 dBm ± 6 dB ERP				
Carrier Frequency Range	See Frequency Bands				
Minimum Frequency Band Span         10MHz           Per Option         10MHz					
Channel spacing	25kHz or 12.5kHz				
Modulation type	Analog frequency modulation (frequency range depen frontend board)				
	Digital	FSK 1.6kHz and 2.4kHz			

## **Frequency Bands**

Frequency Bands				
Internal Option Frequency Range Major countries				
#212	433 to 443MHz	Band for most European countries		
#214 608 to 618MHz Band for USA (WMTS), Canada and Australia				

## Frontends

Frontends				
US Frontend	US Beam Energy	< 1.5 mW/cm <sup>2</sup> average for each of the seven active surfaces		
	US Depth Range (fixed depth)	2.5 cm to 16 cm		
	US Frequency	1MHz		
	US Signal range	3.5 μVpp to 350 μVpp @ 200Hz		
	US Burst Repetition Rate	3.2 kHz		
	US LF Frequency Passband	110 to 450Hz ± 20%		
	FMP min. Selective Depth Range	2.5cm to 16cm		
	FMP Signal Range (rti)	200 μVpp to 40 mVpp		
	FMP Frequency Passband	10 to 90Hz ± 20%		
<b>TOCO</b> Frontend	Signal Range	0 to 127 units		
	Offset Compensation (offset adjust at the fetal monitor)	+100 to -200 units		
	Measurement Range	-100 to 300 units		
	Resolution	0.25 units		
	Sensitivity	2.5g/unit		
	Baseline Drift due to Temperature Changes	1 unit/min/°C (free air)		
		5 units/min/°C (underwater)		
ECG Frontend	Туре	Two Lead ECG		
	Input Impedance	> 10MΩ @ 35Hz		
	CMRR	> 110 dB		
		(with 51.1kW    47nF imbalance @ line frequency)		
	Noise	< 4 $\mu$ Vp @ 25k $\Omega$ input impedance		
	Contact Potential	± 500mV		
	Inop Amplitude at open LA/ RA contacts	60 to 90 mV		
	Inop Auxiliary Current	< 100 nA		
	Input Voltage Range ECG	20 $\mu$ Vpp to 4mVpp (66dB)		
	Input DC tolerance	± 400mV		
	Dielectric Strength	1500 Vrms		
	Frequency passband	0.7 to 80Hz ± 20%		
	Defibrillator Protection	None		
	ESU Protection	None		

Frontends				
AUX Frontend	Communication Protocol	Serial, 1 start bit, 1 stop bit, 8 data bits, no parity		
	Serial Communication Voltage Levels	Unipolar 3V		
		Receive: mark = $0V$ , space = $\sim 3V$		
		Transmit: mark = 0V, space = high impedance		
		(requires pull up resistor)		
	Communication Speed	fixed 1200 Baud		
	Max. Output Current for External Devices	100mA electronically limited		
	Output Voltage for External Devices	3V ± 2%		

## Cables

Cables			
Туре	Part Number	Length	
Monitor interface cable	M2720-61603	<b>1.6 m</b> approx.	
Service Tool cable	M1360-61675	≤3.0 m	
Power cable	Country dependent	≤ <b>2.4</b> m	

### **Removing and Replacing the Transducer Battery**



Correct use



Recyc

Recycle according to local laws

**CAUTION** NEVER immerse a transducer in liquid if the battery drawer is open or has been removed. Check the condition of the drawer before refitting, and verify that it is fully closed before use.



## Removing and Replacing the Transducer Belt Button

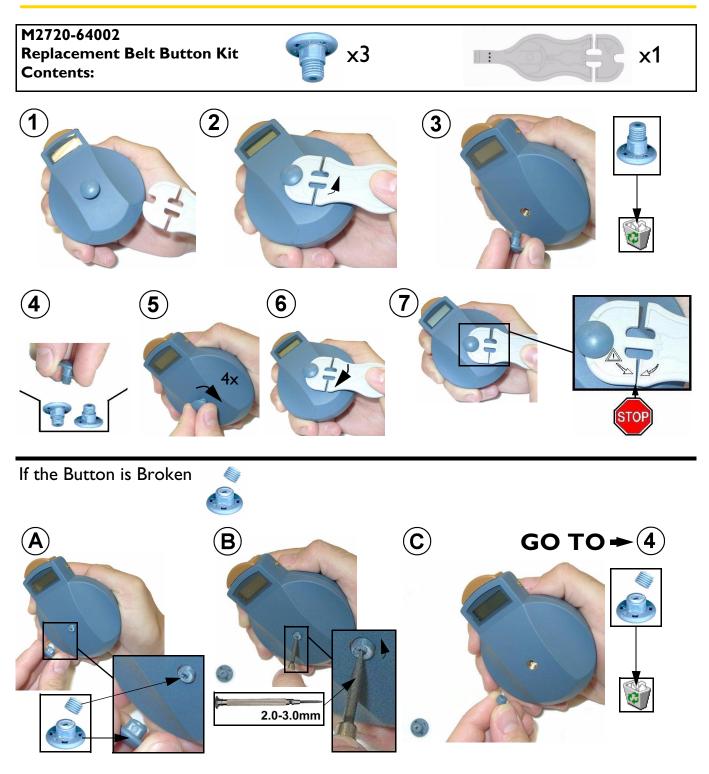


Broken Knob



Dispose of item

**CAUTION** NEVER immerse a transducer in liquid if the belt button has been removed, or is loose, broken or damaged.



# **Avalon CTS Frequency Table**

For multiple installations of the Avalon CTS, it is useful to keep a record of the frequency details of each system.

Base Station ID	Excluded	Base Station Fixe	ed Frequencies	Transducer Fixed Frequencies		
(Bed Label Number and Serial Number)	Frequencies (up to four ranges)	Base Frequency (F3 Setting)	Channel Spacing*	US	Тосо	ECG
		-				
		-				
		-				
		-				
		_				
		-				

\*Contact Philips Support before changing the channel spacing.

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