



LAFAYETTE

FM Communications Receiver

Model HA-52 152-174MC

(Stock No. 99-2526WX)

INSTALLATION AND OPERATING MANUAL

SPECIFICATIONS

TUNING RANGE FM, 152-174 Mc.

SENSITIVITY..... 4 μ v for 20 db quieting.

IMAGE RATIO 23 db.

IF..... 10.7 Mc.

AUDIO OUTPUT..... 0.8 watt into 4" PM Speaker.

ANTENNA INPUT 50-75 ohms Impedance.

HEADPHONE OUTPUT..... 8 ohms Impedance, standard phone jack provided.

TUBES AND SEMI-CONDUCTORS V1 6CW4 Tuned Nuvistor RF Amplifier
V2 6AQ8 Mixer & Local Osc.
V3 6BA6 IF Amplifier
V4 6BA6 IF Amplifier
V5 6AU6 IF Amplifier
V6 6AL5 Ratio Detector
V7 12AX7 Squelch and 1st Audio
V8 6AR5 Audio Output
D1,D2 5GH Silicon Rectifiers

POWER SUPPLY..... Full wave, transformer operated.

POWER CONSUMPTION..... 45 watts at 117 volts, 50/60 cycles AC.

DIMENSIONS..... 11-1/16" W. x 5-1/4" H. x 7-3/8" D.

NET WEIGHT..... 10 lbs.

GENERAL

The Lafayette Model HA-52 is an 8-tube AC operated superheterodyne receiver designed to receive FM (frequency modulated) signals over a band of 152-174 Mc. This band covers police, forestry, utilities, petroleum pipelines, industrial and other communication services.

A similar receiver, Model HA-50, which covers a frequency range of 30-50 Mc is also available for monitoring the transmission of the services mentioned above.

INSTALLATION

POWER

This receiver operates from 110-120 volts, 50/60 cycles AC. Do not attempt to operate it from any other power source.

LOCATION

The receiver may be set up in any area that is convenient but care should be taken to avoid using any excessively warm location or one that does not offer sufficient ventilation. Books or other objects should not be placed over the ventilating slots in the top of the cabinet since this will restrict ventilation.

ANTENNAS

In areas of high signal strength, a single 2-ft. length of insulated wire connected to the "ANT" terminal will provide good results. Since most of the transmitters operating in the 152-174 Mc band employ vertically polarized antennas, the 2-ft. length of wire should be extended vertically to provide maximum pick-up.

For long-range reception, the use of a ground plane antenna is recommended. These types are ideal for use in areas of low signal strength and are available from Lafayette under stock #40-1302W.

NOTE: Best results will be obtained with any antenna if it is installed as high as possible. This will ensure minimum noise pick-up and also permit better reception of signals which, at these frequencies, generally follow a line-of-sight path.

ANTENNA CABLE

The antenna is connected to the receiver by means of coaxial cable. RG-58/U cable has an impedance of 50 ohms and is ideal for this purpose. To attach to the receiver, connect the shield to the "GND" terminal and the center conductor to the "ANT" terminal. For lightning protection, the shield should be grounded at the point of entrance to the building. Use a heavy wire -- the aluminum wire sold for grounding TV antennas is ideal. The ground wire should be connected to a copper rod buried in the ground or to a cold waterpipe.

PHONES OR EXTERNAL SPEAKER

Headphones of 8 ohms impedance may be used by simply plugging into the jack designated "Phones". An external 8-ohm speaker may also be connected to this jack, using a standard phone plug. Insertion of a phone plug into the jack automatically silences the internal speaker.

OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

After the receiver has been connected to an antenna and a suitable AC power supply, turn the unit on by means of the VOLUME control (clockwise rotation operates the ON-OFF switch), and set the SQUELCH control fully counter-clockwise. When the receiver has warmed up, a "rushing" noise should be heard from the speaker. Tune to the desired station by rotating the TUNE control, and adjust volume as desired.

SQUELCH

The squelch circuit cuts off receiver output during "standby" (no-signal) periods, but restores it when a signal is present. This feature is particularly useful in those cases which require the operator to monitor a channel for considerable lengths of time (as in network operations) where background noise during no-signal periods, if not suppressed, might cause undue fatigue.

The circuit is adjustable and therefore permits varying degrees of squelch action, as required by the operator. In the extreme counter-clockwise position of the control, the squelch circuit is disabled and the receiver provides maximum sensitivity. Clockwise rotation produces progressively stronger squelch action, with maximum squelch at the extreme clockwise position. The amount of squelch required is normally determined by the strength of the background noise, the control usually being adjusted to the point at which the sound output almost disappears (with no signal input).

CAUTION: In areas of high noise, the squelch may have to be greatly increased in order to produce quieting of the receiver. Under these conditions, however, signals insufficiently strong to overcome the additional squelch action will not be heard. To disable the squelch or receive extremely weak signals, the control should be rotated fully counter-clockwise.

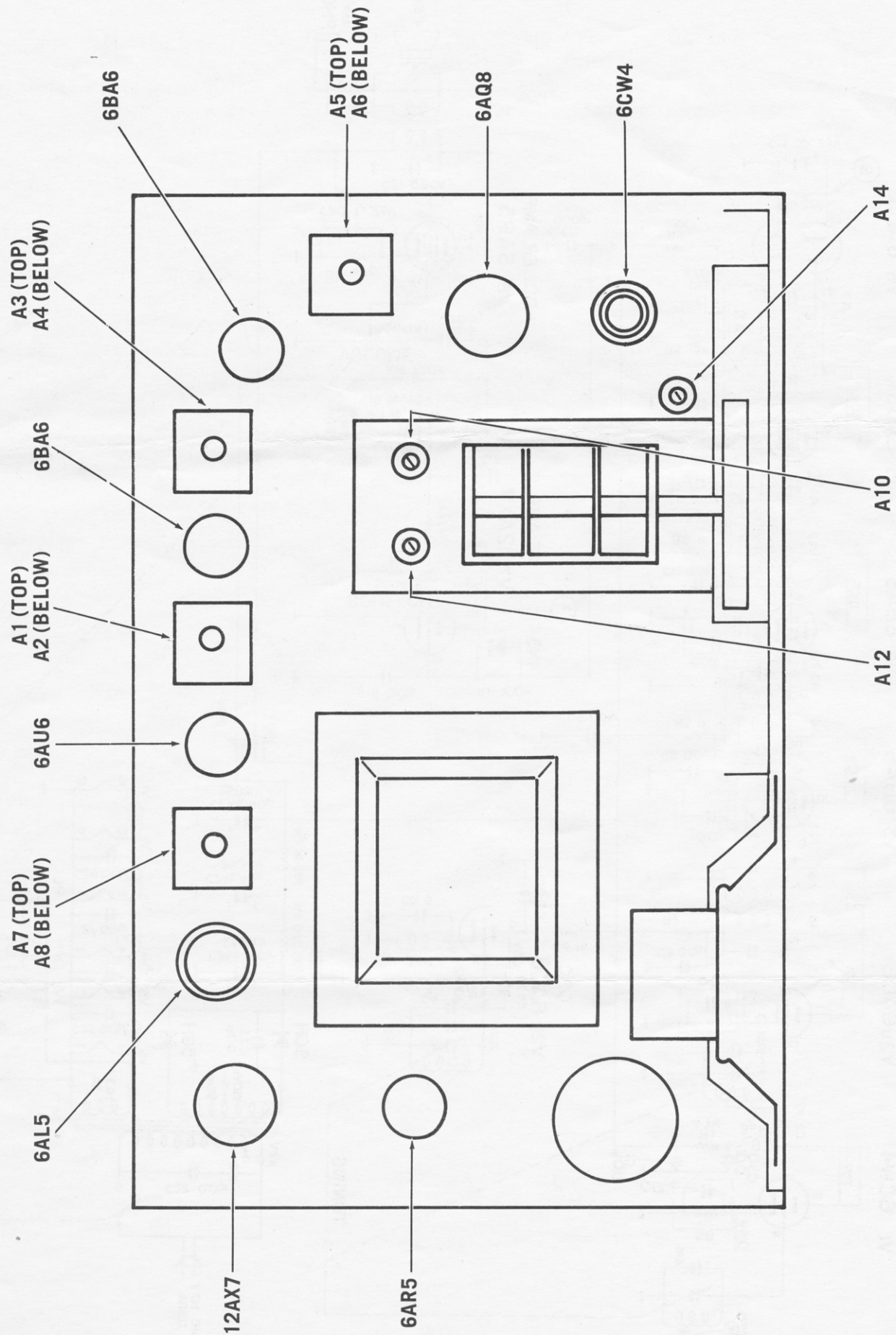
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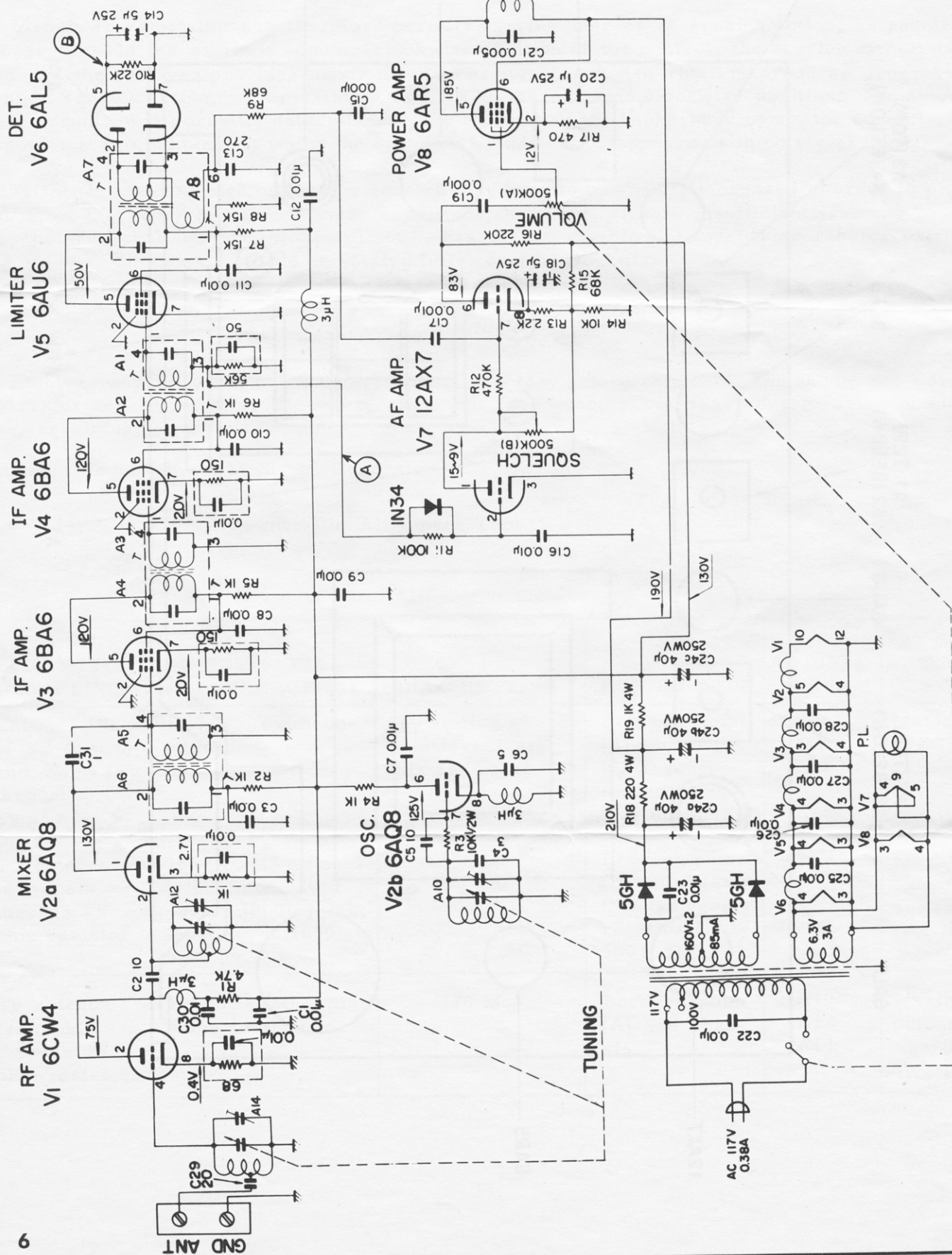
The receiver was fully aligned and tested at the factory before shipment, and should not normally require further adjustment. However, alignment may become necessary due to aging of components, servicing, etc.

Equipment Required: AM Signal Generator
VTVM
Non-metallic Alignment Tool

ALIGNMENT CHART

	SIGNAL GENERATOR COUPLING	INPUT SIGNAL AND FREQUENCY	DIAL SETTING	VTVM CONNECTION	ADJUST-MENT	ADJUST FOR
1.	Between Pin 2 of V2 (6AQ8) and chassis through 0.1 μ f capacitor	10.7 Mc. (unmodulated)	Any setting where no external signals are received	Between point (A) and chassis through series resistor (100-500K Ω)	A6 thru A1	Maximum negative DC voltage
2.	To antenna terminals through 75 ohm resistor	156 Mc., 15 Kc deviation, modulated 400 or 1000 cycles. Input level 1000 to 5000 μ v.	156 Mc	Between point (B) and chassis through series resistor (100-500 K Ω)	A7, A8	Maximum output voltage (positive DC)
3.	To antenna terminals through 75 ohm resistor	170 Mc -- otherwise same as above	170 Mc	Between point (A) and chassis	A10 A12 A14	Maximum output voltage (negative DC)





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