

RA 6390 RA 6775

Manual &
Computer
Controlled
HF Receivers



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Racal Communications, Inc. is pleased to introduce a new generation of Modular High Frequency receivers:

The RA 6775

The RA 6390

Designed specifically for surveillance and communication applications and site update programs. This family of receivers is easily integrated into existing operator controlled systems while simultaneously providing the capability for full computer controlled system architecture.

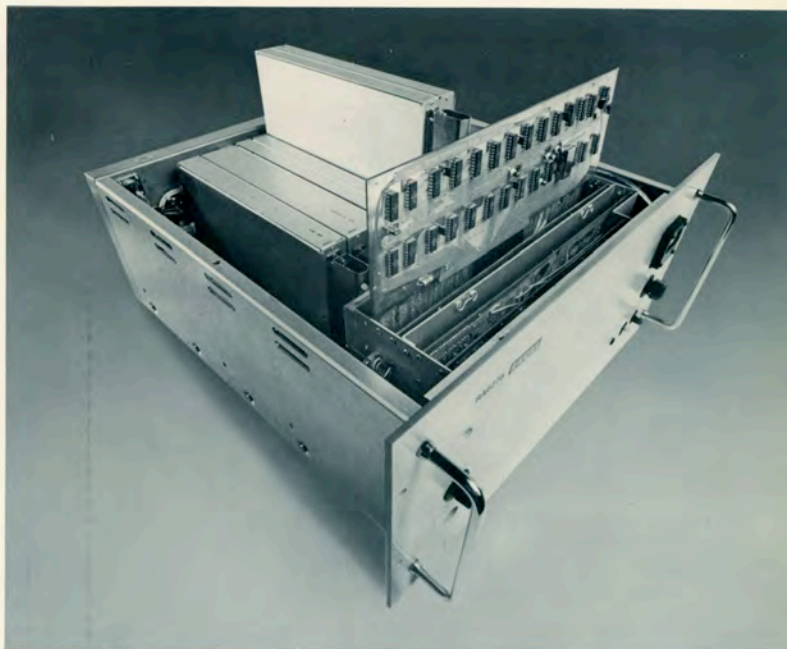
The RA6775/RA6390 series of receivers is the culmination of extensive design effort to provide high performance HF receivers that are easily adapted to conform with specialized requirements.

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- Commonality of Modules Throughout Receiver Series
- Frequency Range of 1.5 to 30 MHz
- Fully Synthesized Tuning Increments in 10 Hz Steps
- Computer Controlled Via Serial Asynchronous Command Word
- Intermodulation (odd order intercept point) of +35 dBm
- Plug-In Modular Construction
- Synthesized ± 8 kHz BFO



Optional Features

Specialized I/O Structures

Extended Frequency Range Down to 15 kHz

Additional Detection Modes, ISB, FSK, FM

Choice of Alternate Sideband and IF Filters

BFO Accuracy of ± 1 Hz

Frequency Stability of ± 1 part in 10^7

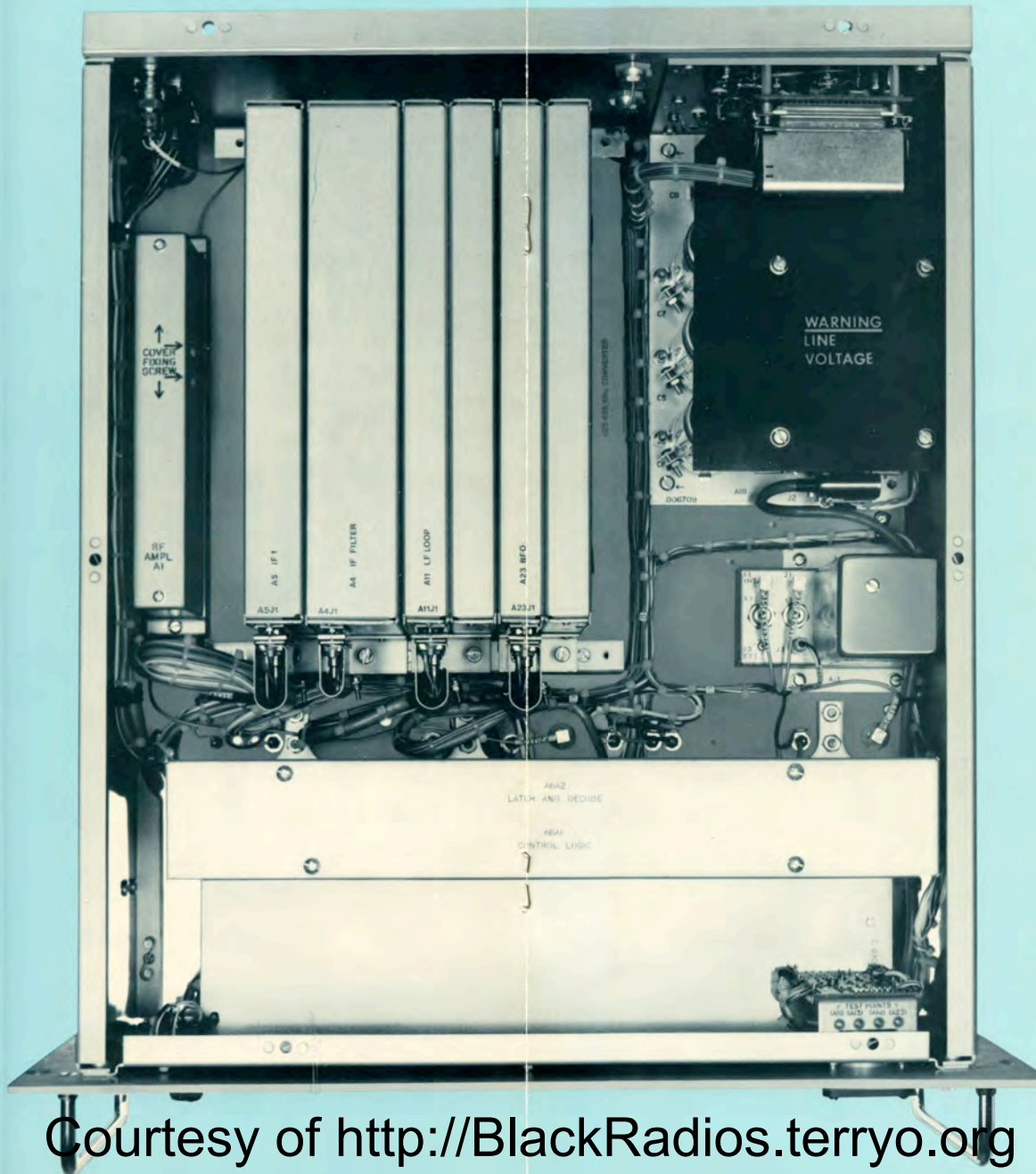
Selectable Baud Rate

455 kHz IF Converter Module

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RA 6775/ RA 6390 Specifications

- Frequency Range**
1.5-30 MHz (15 kHz-30 MHz optional)
- Frequency Selection**
10 Hz increment
- Frequency Stability**
±1 part in 10⁶ (standard)
±1 part in 10⁷ (optional)
- Modes of Operation**
USB/A3J Upper Side-band
LSB/A3J Lower Side-band
ISB/A3B Independent Side-band (optional)
CW/A1 Continuous Wave
AM/A3 Amplitude Modulation
FSK/F1 Frequency Shift Keying (optional)
FM/F3 Frequency Modulation (optional)
- Noise Figure**
13db (typical)
- Sensitivity**
SSB/ISB 0.5 microvolts for 10 dB S+N to N ratio in a 3 kHz bandwidth.
CW 0.25 microvolts for 10 dB S+N to N ratio in a 300 Hz bandwidth. AM 30% mod.
1.5 microvolts for 10 dB S+N to N ratio in a 3 kHz bandwidth.
- Intermodulation**
Third order intercept point +35 dBm minimum
- Image/Spurious Rejection**
80 dB.
- Cross Modulation**
With a wanted signal of not less than 50 microvolts, in a 3 kHz bandwidth, an unwanted signal, 30% modulated, 100 kHz or more removed from the tuned frequency will be greater than 400 millivolts to produce an output 20 dB below the output produced by the wanted signal.
- Blocking/Desensitization**
With a wanted signal of not less than 100 microvolts, an unwanted signal 100 kHz or more removed from the tuned frequency will be greater than 1 volt to reduce the wanted output by 3dB.
- Receiver Control**
Remote computer via serial asynchronous command word or MA6003 Command Control Unit or Manual, Front Panel Controls (RA6390 only)
- Controlled Functions**
Frequency in 10 Hz increments, Detection Mode, IF Bandwidth (AM & CW modes only 0.3, 3, and 8 kHz), AGC time constant, BFO offset (± 8 kHz) 10 Hz increments, IF Gain, Receiver Status indication



- Data Baud Rate**
9.6 K baud or 19.2 K baud
- Selectivity**
SSB/ISB Passband at -3 dB: 250 Hz to 3000 Hz. Passband at -60 dB: -400 Hz and +4100 Hz.
CW Passband at -3 dB: 300 Hz nominal. Passband at -60 dB: 2.5 kHz max.
AM/CW Passband at -3 dB: 3 kHz max. Passband at -60 dB: 12 kHz max.
AM Passband at -3dB: 8 kHz nom. Passband at -60 dB: 30 kHz max.
- Input Impedance**
50 ohms nominal; Type BNC connector
- AGC**
Range: An increase in input of 100 dB above 1 microvolt will produce an output change of less than 6 dB.
Time Constants (USB/LSB/ISB):
Short - 10 m/s attack
 10 m/s decay
Medium - 15 m/s attack
 200 m/s decay
Long - 10 m/s attack
 4 second decay
- Dynamic Range**
120 dB minimum
- Outputs**
Phone Output: 10 mw nominal into 600 ohms at 1% distortion
Line Outputs: Independently adjustable to plus 6 dBm into 600 ohm balanced load. Distortion 1% maximum
IF Output: -10 dBm into 50 ohms
Receiver Status via separate buss to MA6003 Command Control Unit or computer.
- Design**
Full solid state, plug-in modular construction
- Environment**
The equipment is designed to operate in environments compatible with MIL-E-4158
Operating Temperature: 0° to +55°C
Storage Temperature: -40° to +70°C
Altitude: Operation to 10,000 ft.
- Primary Power**
115/230 volts, ±10%, 48-420 Hz, single phase.
- Power Consumption**
80 watts (nominal)
- Dimensions**
Height: 8.75 in. (22.2 cm)
Width: 19 in. (48.3 cm)
Depth: 20 in. (50.8 cm)
- Weight (approx.)**
45 lbs (20.3 kg.)

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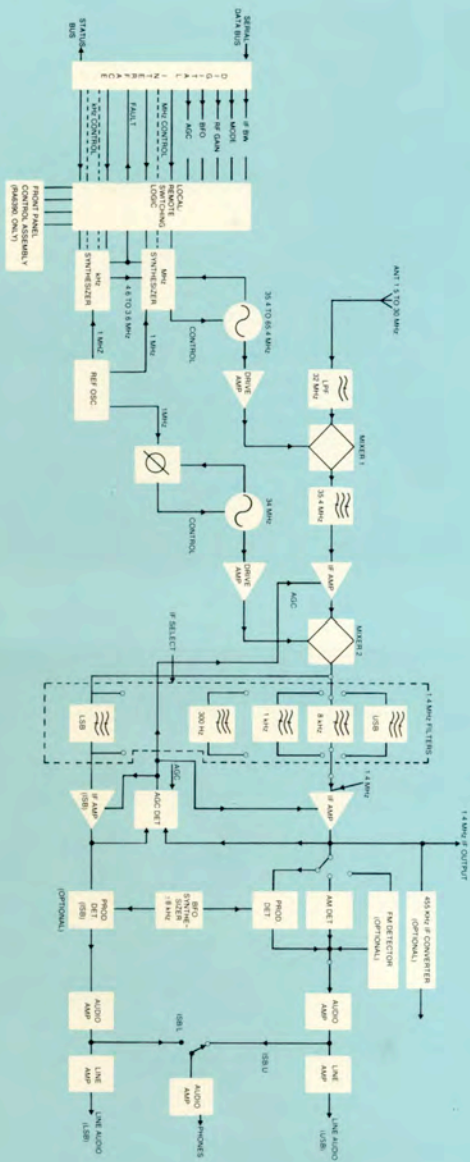
Simplified Principle of Operation

The simplified block diagram shows the basic principle of operation of the RA6775/RA6390 family of receivers.

The input signal is fed from the antenna via a 32 MHz low pass filter to the first mixer where it is combined with a variable frequency output from the synthesizer. This frequency, in the 36.9 to 65.4 MHz range, is selected via the computer or from the front panel controls through the common local/remote switching logic.

The IF output from the first mixer is fed via a 35.4 MHz bandpass filter and an IF amplifier to the second mixer, where it is combined with a 34 MHz output from the synthesizer to provide a 1.4 MHz IF output. Dependent upon the mode selected, the 1.4 MHz signal is then fed to the SSB or IF selectivity filters.

The output from the selected filter passes via the main IF amplifier to an AGC amplifier and detector which controls the gain of the various IF amplifier stages, and to the detector stage. A product detector is provided for CW/SSB modes and an envelope detector for DSB. For CW, a synthesized BFO is provided whose frequency can be varied 8 kHz from the 1.4 MHz IF. In the ISB mode two identical IF amplifiers provide separate upper and lower sideband outputs. An FM detector is provided as an optional feature. After detection, the signals are fed to the appropriate audio amplifier and output connectors.



RA6775/RA6390 Receiver Series Simplified Block Diagram

Command Word Format

The RA6775/RA6390 Receiver series is controlled via a character oriented serial asynchronous command word. The receiver also provides monitoring of all command information when requested by the computer. Receiver address decoding and data rate selection is by means of jumper pins in the external I/O connector. This feature permits the receiver to be installed in any assigned position.

The following table depicts a typical command word format. Several variations of format are available and can be tailored to specific requirements.

Control of the receiver may also be furnished by a local or remotely located MA6003 Receiver Command Control Unit.

CHARACTER	COMMAND/STATUS WORD			
1	SYNC		BYTE	
2	STATUS OUT	STATUS REQ	ADDRESS	
3	FREQUENCY 10 MHz		FREQUENCY 1 MHz	
4	FREQUENCY 100 kHz		FREQUENCY 10 kHz	
5	FREQUENCY 1 kHz		FREQUENCY 100 Hz	
6	FREQUENCY 10 Hz		MODE	
7	0	SYNTH LOCK	AGC	AGC
8	BFO 100 Hz			BANDWIDTH
9	GAIN			BFO 1 kHz

Specifications

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Front Panel Control and Indicators

- Power/On Off Switch
- Power Circuit Breaker
- Power Indicator Lamp
- "Fault" Warning Lamp
- Meter
- Meter Switch
- Line Level Pre-set Adjust
- Phone Jack
- AF Gain Control

The following additional controls apply to the RA6390 only.

- Tuning Control
- Tuning Rate Selector
- MHz Tuning Switch

- LED Frequency Display, 10 Hz
- Mode Selector
- IF Bandwidth Selector
- AGC Time Constant Control
- BFO LED Frequency Display
- IF Gain Control

Rear Panel Facilities

- Antenna Input Connector (Type BNC)
- IF.1 Output Connector (BNC)
- IF.2 Output Connector (BNC) (Optional)
- 5 MHz REF In/Out Connector (BNC)
- Power Input Connector
- Ground Terminal
- Remote Control/Monitor Input/Output Connector
- Line AF Outputs, 600 ohms balanced

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