IC-M73PLUS, Professional VHF Marine Transceiver, available now

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The new IC-M73PLUS from Icom builds on many of the features that made the IC-M71 the choice of many maritime professionals across the globe but also incorporates two new important features; a new voice recording function and Icom’s active Noise Cancelling Technology.

At first glance you can see that the IC-M73PLUS has a similar stylish design to the IC-M71. It retains the same durable and rugged body and advanced waterproof protection (1.5m depth for 30 minutes, equivalent to IPX8 rating). This is a radio you can use in the rain, snow or any other severe weather conditions!

A lot more has been packed into this new model. A “last call” voice recording function automatically saves the last incoming call for 1 minute, very important in clarifying important transmissions that may have been missed.

The IC-M73PLUS professional VHF Marine Transceiver also features Icom’s Active Noise Cancelling Technology reducing background noise by up to 90%, making sure you are heard when you really need to, such as when weather conditions are poor or if engines are running. IC-M73PLUS features “Bass Boost” signal processing technology that emphasizes low pitched sound to provide a rich bass sound for both transmit and receive signals. …another enhancement to improved audio quality.

The IC-M73PLUS features excellent audio performance. The internal speaker delivers a loud 600mW output with clear sound even in noisy environments. In addition, a water draining function ejects water from the speaker grille with low frequency sound.

The IC-M73PLUS comes as standard with a high capacity Lithium-Ion battery pack which
provides up to 18 hours operating time.

These multi featured stylish VHF portables are ideal for any leisure boat owner. The advanced features will also appeal to a range of commercial operators, Marinas and Port Authorities. This durable VHF will stand up well for Search and Rescue organisations such as HM Coastguard, RNLI and National Coastwatch stations.

The IC-M73PLUS is now available from authorised Icom Marine Dealers with a retail price of £210.00 (ex.VAT).

Ian Lockyer, Marketing Manager at Icom UK said, ‘As the true specialists in radio communications, Icom’s Research and Development Team has sought improved battery performance and greater clarity of audio. Icom has once again engineered a product that is extremely desirable on a number of fronts including style, functionality, usability and top performance.’

Corporate background (www.icomuk.co.uk) Icom UK Ltd was established in 1974 and is the sole UK and Republic of Ireland importer and distributor for Icom Inc., of Osaka, Japan. Based in Herne Bay, Kent the company is privately owned with 31 staff.