

CB channel reference (United States)

All 40 US CB channels (FCC Part 95 Subpart D) with frequencies and usage conventions. Emergency (9), trucker calling (19), and channels to avoid.

CH	FREQUENCY	USAGE	CH	FREQUENCY	USAGE
1	26.965 MHz	--	21	27.215 MHz	--
2	26.975 MHz	--	22	27.225 MHz	--
3	26.985 MHz	--	23	27.255 MHz	Shared with radio control devices.
4	27.005 MHz	--	24	27.235 MHz	--
5	27.015 MHz	--	25	27.245 MHz	--
6	27.025 MHz	Unofficial "super bowl." Skip shooters and illegal amplifiers congregate here. Avoid.	26	27.265 MHz	--
7	27.035 MHz	--	27	27.275 MHz	--
8	27.055 MHz	--	28	27.285 MHz	--
9	27.065 MHz	Emergency and traveler assistance. FCC-designated emergency channel.	29	27.295 MHz	--
10	27.075 MHz	--	30	27.305 MHz	--
11	27.085 MHz	--	31	27.315 MHz	--
12	27.105 MHz	--	32	27.325 MHz	--
13	27.115 MHz	--	33	27.335 MHz	--
14	27.125 MHz	--	34	27.345 MHz	--
15	27.135 MHz	--	35	27.355 MHz	SSB activity window starts here (LSB by convention).
16	27.155 MHz	--	36	27.365 MHz	SSB activity (LSB by convention).
17	27.165 MHz	--	37	27.375 MHz	SSB activity (LSB by convention).
18	27.175 MHz	--	38	27.385 MHz	SSB calling channel. LSB is customary on all US CB SSB channels.
19	27.185 MHz	Trucker calling channel. The default monitor channel for highway communication.	39	27.395 MHz	--
20	27.205 MHz	--	40	27.405 MHz	--

US CB: 40 channels, 4W carrier on AM/FM (FM allowed since 2021) / 12W PEP SSB. No license required. Antenna height limit: no more than 60 ft above ground, or 20 ft above the building/tree it is mounted on, whichever is higher (FCC 95.941).