

T1154

Originally designed by Marconi and developed by EKCO It had colourful knobs for tuning different frequency ranges It was unreliable due to the many switch contacts inside The average life of a Bomber was 3 weeks, so reliability didn't matter Many Radio operator were electrocuted using them without gloves They could transmit on Long, Medium and Short Wave At night over Germany Long wave had to be used The operator had to trail out a long wire behind the plane in flight The big switch to the left selected various aerials on the plane The little meter measured the aerial current. The box above is a calibrator, as the 1154 had no frequency readout The transmitter mainly used Morse for long distance Voice or AM was used for plane to plane communication Two rotary power units powered both the R1155 and T1154 After the war they were very popular with Radio Hams Most Hams modified them, so originals are difficult to find