

SECTION II
Operation

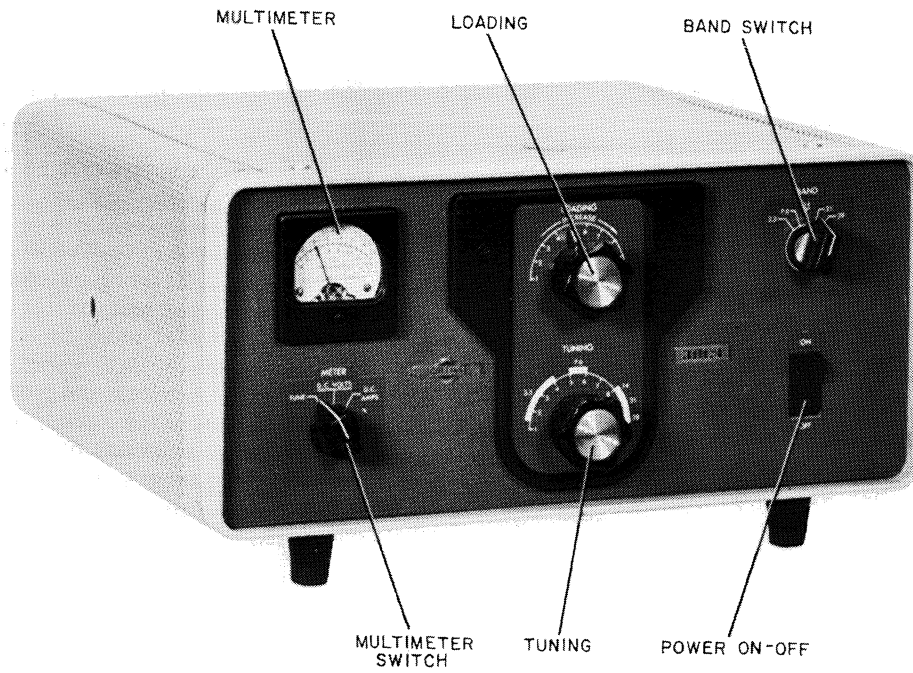


Figure 2-1. 30L-1 Operating Controls

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2.1 OPERATION IN AMATEUR BANDS.

Table 2-1 shows normal and full-scale meter readings. If the exciter is a KWM-2/2A or S-line, set exciter BIAS ADJUST to produce an idling plate current of 50 ma. Tune and load according to exciter instruction book.

a. Connect the antenna for the band in use to the RF OUTPUT jack on the 30L-1. (When the ON-OFF switch is in the OFF position, the transfer relay in the 30L-1 connects the antenna to the exciter.)

b. Make sure the ON-OFF switch in the 30L-1 is in the OFF position as shown in figure 2-1.

c. Tune and load the exciter into the antenna. If the antenna does not present a nearly 50-ohm resistive load, the exciter can be tuned and loaded into a 50-ohm dummy load, such as the DL-1. When switched to the input of the 30L-1, the exciter will then remain in tune.

d. If using a Collins exciter, switch back to TUNE position, and set MIC GAIN to off position.

e. Set the 30L-1 METER switch to the TUNE position.

f. Set BAND switch to same band as that of the exciter, LOADING control to 1 on the dial, and TUNING control to white area for the band in use.

g. Press the 30L-1 ON-OFF switch to the ON position.

h. Set MIC GAIN to about 3/4 of full scale. (When using exciters other than KWM-2/2A or S-Line types, set microphone gain or carrier insertion control to provide approximately 20 watts drive to the 30L-1.)

i. Immediately adjust TUNING control for multimeter dip.

j. Alternately adjust TUNING and LOADING controls for zero multimeter reading. The meter will indicate zero at the dip when the amplifier is properly tuned and loaded. Always make the TUNING adjustment for meter dip as the last adjustment.

k. Switch the exciter to the desired sideband or to CW, and reduce exciter MIC GAIN control to normal

operating level. The station is now ready to operate at rated power input.

1. Once the equipment has been tuned up on a given frequency, the 30L-1 may be switched in or out of the circuit at will by operating the ON-OFF switch. Output power from the amplifier is available instantly with no warm-up period required.

CAUTION

DO NOT operate the 30L-1 into a load presenting a vswr greater than 2 to 1. The equipment may not function properly and damage may result. DO NOT operate the amplifier in continuous key-down condition at full input for more than 30 seconds. The power supply may be damaged. DO NOT use the 30L-1 in FSK, AM, or FM service. DO NOT use slow-blow fuses, or fuses larger than the 8-ampere type supplied.

2.2 OPERATION WITH OTHER MAKES OF EXCITERS.

Tune according to the procedure outlined in paragraph 2.1. If alc is not used, be careful not to overdrive either the exciter or the final amplifier. Normal plate current meter readings for the 30L-1 are from 300 to 350 ma on voice peaks. Actual plate current under these conditions will peak at approximately 600 to 700 ma. Be sure the exciter is capable of producing the required drive without excessive distortion. If not, the amplifier may be operated at reduced level.

2.3 OPERATION OUTSIDE AMATEUR BANDS.

Operation outside amateur band limits requires retuning of the 30L-1 input circuits. This is necessary to present the proper load impedance to the exciter. For procedure, refer to paragraph 4.4.

TABLE 2-1. MULTIMETER SCALE VALUES

METER SWITCH SETTING	FULL-SCALE INDICATION	NORMAL INDICATION
Tune	Not applicable	Zero when 30L-1 is properly loaded
D. C. VOLTS	2000 volts	1800 volts (No modulation) 1600 volts (At rated load)
D. C. AMPS	1.0 amp (1000 ma)	600 ma (Key down CW) 300-350 ma (SSB voice peaks) 110 ma (Keyed, no excitation)