

All bands, all modes in a box!
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I finally have my portable “dream” station, covering 30kHz to 470MHz on SSB, CW, AM, and FM. Everything is hooked up and ready for operation. The necessary pad, pen, log sheets, band chart, and license are stored behind the foam backing inside the case lid. After opening the case, I only need to perform three steps.

1. Plug supply into AC outlet.
2. Open bail-foot on radio.
3. Suction antenna to window or smooth surface.



Here is a list of the equipment pictured from left to right.

- Hosfelt 14-444 aluminum case
- Icom IC-706MKIIG radio transceiver
- RadioShack 20-022/940-1203 (TAP 500-1008) antenna mount
- Smiley 270A 2m/70cm antenna
- Samlex SEC-1223 power supply
- Ham-Key HK-1 keyer paddle
- home-brew antenna tuner
- home-brew 1.3ft to 13ft portable dipole with coax (not shown)
- headphones (optional)

The dipole fits in the case as well. Assuming that I am wearing a wristwatch, I have everything needed to make plenty of contacts using full power. The entire radio station measures only 18” x 13” x 6”.