Chapter 15
Communications

The Service Fire Management Handbook incorporates, by reference, all guidance in the Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations (Redbook, NFES #2724) Chapter 15 in addition to the following Service specific clarifications:

Service Fire Tactical Frequencies

The Fish and Wildlife Service has been authorized and assigned Fire Tactical Frequencies for use within fire management Zones. Service Fire Tactical Frequencies are not authorized for use beyond the geographic boundaries identified with the Radio Frequency Agreements (RFAs) filed with the National Telecommunications and Information Administration. The fire tactical frequencies approved in 2014 have been delegated to the respective Regional Fire Management Coordinators for oversight and accountability of use. Specific frequency information may be requested from the RFMC.

The approved Service fire tactical frequencies registered in 2014 do not replace or restrict other frequencies which may already be approved and in use.