

Specialized product: 2 Way Communicator

Why:

The 2-Way Communicator is for use by people who are deaf or hard-of-hearing and hearing persons. The only known product is the UbiDuo™ Wireless 2-Way Communicator. It is a portable, wireless device with two displays and two keyboards that facilitates unaltered, face to face communication between those who are deaf or hard of hearing and those who are hearing.

Acquisition:

You can get this device through the manufacturer and distributors. Average cost is \$1,995. The manufacturer is SCOMM, <http://www.scommonline.com>. Contact Sandie Kelly, Sales and Customer Service 816-350-7001.

Some distributors are:

TCS Associates, Wheaton, Maryland, 301-942-9766

<http://www.tcsassociates.com/>

United TTY Sales and Service (UTSS), 21004 Brooke Knolls Rd., Laytonsville, MD 20882, TOLL FREE: 1-866-TTY-4USA (1-866-889-4872) (Voice or TTY)

In MD, DC and VA: (301) 926-2365, FAX: (301) 963-0785

<http://unitedtty.com/store/product302.html>

BE AWARE OF (issues, concerns, or special info related to the product.)

This device is only for peer to peer communication.

Section 508 Applicable Provisions:

§ 1194.5 Equivalent facilitation.

Nothing in this part is intended to prevent the use of designs or technologies as alternatives to those prescribed in this part provided they result in substantially equivalent or greater access to and use of a product for people with disabilities.

Relevant Exceptions:

No VPAT is necessary. This service is for users who are deaf or hard-of-hearing. It is covered under § 1194.3 General exceptions. (e) This part shall not be construed to require a fundamental alteration in the nature of a product or its components.