## IAFF SAFETY ADVISORY

## DEFECTIVE REMOTE SPEAKER MICROPHONES ON MOTOROLA APX NEXT RADIOS • SEPTEMBER 2024



The IAFF is issuing a safety alert to inform members of concerns about a recalled Motorola Remote Speaker Microphone (RSM).

The IAFF was recently contacted by a Local experiencing issues with APX NEXT radios utilizing the XVE500 remote speaker microphone. During fireground operations, the microphone would stick in the transmit mode causing a loss of communications. The problem was more apparent when the RSM was wet during the overhaul phase.

The push-to-talk (PTT) switch, when depressed, would also intermittently unkey and key the radio causing delays in transmitting critical messages.

Motorola has determined that the XVE500 RSMs should be immediately removed from service. Refer to Motorola's Technical Notification (MTN-0098-24) for product replacement.

The IAFF recommends that all APX NEXT radios with an XVE500 RSM be inspected and evaluated by radio technicians.



