

TYPE 73

In 1939, the Type 73 was listed as being CONFIDENTIAL. There were several variants of the set in addition to the basic Type 73, viz, 73X, 73C, 73D, respectively the basic model, first experimental model, CCS [central control system] and CWS [central W/T system].

It was a W/T set to do with W/T communications which were higher than normal [at that time] VHF frequencies and using voice [R/T] which had just been perfected by the Admiralty Signal Establishment.

We have no information on these set but we do know that the Types were widely fitted in heavy ships, aircraft carriers and cruisers. 11 ships had the 73; 15 had the 73C; 24 the 73D, but the largest number of ships 40, had the 73X, the experimental set.