

SCAN EAGLE LOST COMMUNICATIONS PROCEDURES. In the event that two-way communications between any or all parties are lost or become unavailable, the PIC will reset the transponder to 7600 and begin recovery of the UAS to the launch and recovery area within the approved COA airspace as prescribed in the Pre-Programmed Lost-Data Link recovery procedure and recover via the SkyHook. MO shall attempt to contact Norfolk TRACON to advise them of the situation. If the communications failure is between the VO/MO and TRACON, the MO shall determine the ability to use land-line communications as the sole means of communication. (Note: Use of telephones as a primary means of two-way communication is at the sole discretion of Norfolk TRACON Watch Supervisor.) If TRACON agrees to permit primary communication via land-line, the PIC will return the transponder code to its original code and continue mission. If TRACON advised against the land-line communication, PIC shall recover the aircraft.

If at any time communications are lost between the VO/MO and any visual observation team members, communications are considered “lost” and the VO/MO shall recover the aircraft as stated above.

