

The Survey Approach

A TSCM Survey can be divided into two major phases, the Non-alerting Phase and the Alerting Phase. Again, there is no great mystery involved in these phases, their names provide the description. In the Non-Alerting Phase you would accomplish those tasks that would not alert the potential eavesdropper to the fact a Survey was taking place. The reason for this is simple; if the device chosen is a switched device, that is, one that can be turned on or off from a remote location, and the eavesdropper hears your efforts he will simply turn the device off. Your chances of discovering the device will be drastically reduced.

In the Non-Alerting Phase you will be accomplishing your target analysis and R.F. Analysis. Just about anything else you do can be considered to be alerting.

Our reasons for accomplishing the TSCM activities are simple; we want to deny the opposition access to the sensitive areas. Failing this, we want to detect their activities as early as possible.