

TS-590SG Serial Numbers

27 July 2017

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
Jan		B51	B61	B71	B81	Jan
Feb		B52	B62	B72	B82	Feb
Mar		B53	B63	B73	B83	Mar
Apr		B54	B64	B74	B84	Apr
May		B55	B65	B75	B85	May
Jun		B56	B66	B76	B86	Jun
Jul		B57	B67	B77	B87	Jul
Aug		B58	B68	B78	B88	Aug
Sep		B59	B69	B79	B89	Sep
Oct	B4A	B5A	B6A	B7A	B8A	Oct
Nov	B4B	B5B	B6B	B7B	B8B	Nov
Dec	B4C	B5C	B6C	B7C	B8C	Dec
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	

The first three characters of the rig's serial number, located on a label underneath the ANT2 connector on the back panel, specify the year and month of manufacture.

Two known issues to look out for when buying a used TS-590SG:

1. For rigs built between about July 2015 and November 2016, the two internal cooling fans were mounted backwards, causing hot air to be blown towards the front panel instead of out the back.
For details of how to reposition the fans, see "TS-590SG ISSUES" in the **TS-590SG** section of the Resources Page.
2. Some users who bought a used rig discovered afterwards that the USB audio input did not work (but the USB serial port was OK). The faulty audio input probably arose from excessive input voltages reaching the rig (following lightning discharge, perhaps).
Be sure to ask the owner to confirm in writing that the USB audio input is working, and if possible ask for a demonstration.