

1. The SIM card needs to be activated for use on the network and a phone number allocated which is done by the Dealer.

2. The Thuraya network needs to know where the phone is (which of the three geosynchronous satellites it can access).

With the phone switched on press the centre button to display the Menu Screen and the group of icons.

Select the top icon which is a compass image.

The phone searches for its position using another group of satellites (GPS satellites)

Wait for the display to show the latitude and longitude

Now choose back, and go back to the Main Screen

3. The SIM card needs to be registered on the Network using the phone itself.

With the phone switched on press the centre button to display the group of icons.

Select the bottom icon of a satellite image.

From the three options choose 2 SAT Registration.

Wait for the display to show that the phone is registered on the network.

4. The Main Screen should display "Thuraya AUSTRALIA".

You are now ready to make and receive calls.

5. There is one satellite above Singapore for South East Asia / Australia and you need a clear line of sight to it.

Position yourself so that you have maximum signal strength of 5 bars if possible.

Depending on some variables such as atmospheric, latitude, etc 5 bars of signal strength may not always be available.

Try to keep the antenna vertical.

Even though it is walk and talk, it is better to remain still and do not walk around as reflections from objects, vehicles, buildings etc can make the signal fade in and out.

6. When you have moved some distance, approx 50km or more, the GPS needs to be reset so that the network knows the new position of the phone.

Repeat "2" above.

It is important that the Thuraya network knows where the phone is, so that calls can be routed to the appropriate satellite and hence to your phone.

It's the GPS position of your Thuraya phone that allows the network to switch the calls to your phone.

7. When not using the phone power it down as it goes into a sleep mode which can slowly drain the battery.

SEND AN SMS FROM YOUR COMPUTER TO A THURAYA PHONE:

Click on the following link or key it into your browser address bar

Then select from Thuraya's online services: Send SMS to Thuraya Phone.

Key in the phone number to send to and your message.

Hey presto! Message sent from your computer to a Thuraya phone.

<http://services.thuraya.com/>

PERSONAL TRACKER:

Your Thuraya satphone has a personal tracker built in.

It has GPS built in. You can send the GPS latitude and longitude to another mobile phone at any time using the SMS.

When the person receives your GPS co-ordinates they can then key them in manually on Google Earth and see exactly where you are.