Quick NOAA Weather Radio Programming Instructions - Juneau, AK

All NOAA Weather Radios (NWR) need to be programmed for the alarm function to work properly. However, they will work to listen to the current forecast and observations without being fully programmed. Please follow the instructions provided with your specific radio. The below instructions will work for the *Midland WR120*.

1. **Initial Setup**
   - Ensure switch on the side is in the ON position
   - Power: Install 3 AA batteries (battery back-up) and connect the AC adapter to a wall outlet.
   - Antenna: Extend the antenna fully for the best reception.
   - The display should say "WELCOME".
2. **Language**
   - When "SET LANGUAGE" appears, press SELECT.
   - Press SELECT to confirm ENGLISH for the display language or use the up/down arrow keys.
3. **Location**
   - When "SET LOCATION" appears, press SELECT.
   - Down arrow to SINGLE (recommended), press SELECT.
   - When “01 EMPTY” appears, press SELECT
   - Go through the menu options to SELECT: USA>Alaska>Juneau from the options.
4. **Time**
   - When "SET TIME" appears, press SELECT.
   - Use the 4 arrows to adjust the hour and minutes with correct AM/PM settings, then press SELECT.
5. **Channel**
   - When "SET CHANNEL" appears, press SELECT.
   - Use the arrows to scan through channels until you hear the clearest weather broadcast. *You will likely need to adjust your antenna near a window.*
   - The Juneau area is served by:
     i. 162.550 MHz from downtown (channel 7 on Midland)
     ii. 162.450 MHz from Mt. Robert Barron (channel 3 on Midland)
   - Press SELECT to confirm the channel. The display will show "SAVING" then "SETUP DONE."
6. **Alert Settings**
   - Press MENU, use down arrow to scroll to "ALERT TYPE," and press SELECT.
   - Use arrows to select between VOICE, DISPLAY, or TONE. Voice is recommended. Press SELECT, then press MENU to exit.
7. **Other Notes**
   - **Required Weekly Test:** NWS Juneau performs a test every Wednesday between 10-1030am, unless there are active alerts in effect. If you see "CHECK RECEPTION" on the screen, your radio hasn't received a test signal in 10 days; ensure your antenna is fully extended.
   - **For a fresh start**, perform a factory reset by unplugging the radio and taking out the batteries, then hold the WEATHER/SNOOZE bar while plugging it back in until the welcome screen appears.
   - **Press the WEATHER/SNOOZE button** to listen to the current broadcast.
   - Select MENU to change any of the above settings again.

Local NWR Schedules and information: https://www.weather.gov/juneau/nwr
FULL Instruction Source:
https://support.midlandusa.com/hc/en-us/articles/28952029120919-How-to-Program-Your-WR120-Weather-Radio-Video-and-Instructions