



RF Exposure

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Regulation

FCC rule part 1.1310(d)

(1) Evaluation with respect to the SAR limits in this section must demonstrate compliance with both the whole-body and peak spatial-average limits using technically supported measurement or computational methods and exposure conditions in advance of authorization (licensing or equipment certification) and in a manner that facilitates independent assessment and, if appropriate, enforcement. Numerical computation of SAR must be supported by adequate documentation showing that the numerical method as implemented in the computational software has been fully validated; in addition, the equipment under test and exposure conditions must be modeled according to protocols established by FCC-accepted numerical computation standards or available FCC procedures for the specific computational method.

(2) For operations within the frequency range of 300 kHz and 6 GHz (inclusive), the limits for maximum permissible exposure (MPE), derived from whole-body SAR limits and listed in Table 1 in paragraph (e)(1) of this section, may be used instead of whole-body SAR limits as set forth in paragraphs (a) through (c) of this section to evaluate the environmental impact of human exposure to RF radiation as specified in § 1.1307(b) of this part, except for portable devices as defined in § 2.1093 of this chapter as these evaluations shall be performed according to the SAR provisions in § 2.1093.

Evaluation Method

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$$S = \frac{PG}{4\pi R^2}$$

S = power density (in appropriate units, e.g. mW/cm²)

P = power input to the antenna (in appropriate units, e.g., mW)

G = power gain of the antenna in the direction of interest relative to an isotropic radiator

R = distance to the center of radiation of the antenna (appropriate units, e.g., cm)

$$S = \frac{EIRP}{4\pi R^2}$$

EIRP = equivalent (or effective) isotropically radiated power

**Limit**

Table 1 to § 1.1310(e)(1)—Limits for Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE)

Frequency range (MHz)	Electric field strength (V/m)	Magnetic field strength (A/m)	Power density (mW/cm ²)	Averaging time (minutes)
(i) Limits for Occupational/Controlled Exposure				
0.3–3.0	614	1.63	*(100)	≤6
3.0–30	1842/f	4.89/f	*(900/f ²)	<6
30–300	61.4	0.163	1.0	<6
300–1,500			f/300	<6
1,500–100,000			5	<6
(ii) Limits for General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure				
0.3–1.34	614	1.63	*(100)	<30
1.34–30	824/f	2.19/f	*(180/f ²)	<30
30–300	27.5	0.073	0.2	<30
300–1,500			f/1500	<30
1,500–100,000			1.0	<30

f = frequency in MHz. * = Plane-wave equivalent power density.



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Exemption Limits for Routine Evaluation – RF Exposure Evaluation

According to RSS-102 Issue 5 section 2.5.2, RF exposure evaluation is required if the separation distance between the user and/or bystander and the device's radiating element is greater than 20 cm, except when the device operates as follows:

- Below 20 MHz and the source-based, time-averaged maximum e.i.r.p. of the device is equal to or less than 1W (adjusted for tune-up tolerance);
- At or above 20 MHz and below 48 MHz and the source-based, time-averaged maximum e.i.r.p. of the device is equal to or less than $4.49/f^{0.5}$ W (adjusted for tune-up tolerance), where f is in MHz;
- At or above 48 MHz and below 300 MHz and the source-bands, time-averaged maximum e.i.r.p. of the device is equal to or less than 0.6 W (adjusted for tune-up tolerance);
- At or above 300 MHz and below 6 GHz and the source-based, time-averaged maximum e.i.r.p. of the device is equal to or less than $1.31 \times 10^{-2} f^{0.6834}$ W (adjusted for tune-up tolerance), where f is in MHz;
- At or above 6 GHz and the source-based, time-averaged maximum e.i.r.p. of the device is equal to or less than 5 W (adjusted for tune-up tolerance.)

In these cases, the information contained in the RF exposure technical brief may be limited to information that demonstrates how the e.i.r.p. was derived.

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Table 4: RF Field Strength Limits for Devices Used by the General Public (Uncontrolled Environment)

Frequency Range (MHz)	Electric Field (V/m rms)	Magnetic Field (A/m rms)	Power Density (W/m ²)	Reference Period (minutes)
0.003-10 ²¹	83	90	-	Instantaneous*
0.1-10	-	0.73/f	-	6**
1.1-10	87/f ^{0.5}	-	-	6**
10-20	27.46	0.0728	2	6
20-48	58.07/f ^{0.25}	0.1540/f ^{0.25}	8.944/f ^{0.5}	6
48-300	22.06	0.05852	1.291	6
300-6000	3.142 f ^{0.3417}	0.008335 f ^{0.3417}	0.02619 f ^{0.6834}	6
6000-15000	61.4	0.163	10	6
15000-150000	61.4	0.163	10	616000/f ^{1.2}
150000-300000	0.158 f ^{0.5}	4.21 x 10 ⁻⁴ f ^{0.5}	6.67 x 10 ⁻⁵ f	616000/f ^{1.2}

Note: f is frequency in MHz.

*Based on nerve stimulation (NS).

** Based on specific absorption rate (SAR).

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Mode	Frequency [MHz]	Max Power / tolerance [dBm]	Max Tune-up Power [dBm]	Ant Gain [dBi]	Power density at 20 cm [mW/cm ²]	Limit [mW/cm ²]
BLE 1M Dipole ant	2 402	-0.99 ± 1.0	0.01	4.01	0.000 5	1.00
BLE 1M PCB ant	2 402	-0.99 ± 1.0	0.01	-2.36	0.000 1	1.00

$$S(\text{power density [mW/cm}^2) = 10^{((\text{Max Tune-up Power [dBm]} + \text{Ant Gain [dBi]})/10} / (4 \times \pi \times R^2)$$

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Mode	Frequency [MHz]	Max Power / tolerance [dBm]	Max Tune-up Power [dBm]	Ant Gain [dBi]	E.I.R.P. [mW]	Limit [mW]
BLE 1M Dipole ant	2 402	-0.99 ± 1.0	0.01	4.01	2.52	2 676.42
BLE 1M PCB ant	2 402	-0.99 ± 1.0	0.01	-2.36	0.58	2 676.42

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