

1.1. RF EXPOSURE REQUIREMENTS [§§ 1.1310 & 2.1091]

1.1.1. Limits

§ 1.1310: The criteria listed in the following table shall be used to evaluate the environmental impact of human exposure to radio-frequency (RF) radiation as specified in 1.1307(b).

TABLE 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)
(A) Limits for Occupational/Controlled Exposures				
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
300–1500			f/300	6
1500–100,000			5	6
(B) 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
300–1500			f/1500	30
1500–100,000			1.0	30

f = frequency in MHz

* = Plane-wave equivalent power density

NOTE 1 TO TABLE 1: Occupational/controlled limits apply in situations in which persons are exposed as a consequence of their employment provided those persons are fully aware of the potential for exposure and can exercise control over their exposure. Limits for occupational/controlled exposure also apply in situations when an individual is transient through a location where occupational/controlled limits apply provided he or she is made aware of the potential for exposure.

NOTE 2 TO TABLE 1: General population/uncontrolled exposures apply in situations in which the general public may be exposed, or in which persons that are exposed as a consequence of their employment may not be fully aware of the potential for exposure or can not exercise control over their exposure.

1.1.2. Method of Measurements

Calculation Method of RF Safety Distance:

$$S = \frac{PG}{4\pi \cdot r^2} = \frac{EIRP}{4\pi \cdot r^2}$$

Where,

P: power input to the antenna in mW

EIRP: Equivalent (effective) isotropic radiated power.

S: power density mW/cm²

G: numeric gain of antenna relative to isotropic radiator

r: distance to centre of radiation in cm

$$r = \sqrt{\frac{PG}{4\pi \cdot S}} = \sqrt{\frac{EIRP}{4\pi \cdot S}}$$

1.1.3. Evaluation of RF Exposure Compliance Requirements

Maximum RF Power conducted, $P_{\text{conducted}}[\text{dBm}] = 19$

Maximum Antenna Gain, $G[\text{dBi}] = -0.5$

Maximum EIRP, $P_{\text{EIRP}}[\text{dBm}] = 18.5$ (71 mW)

MPE Limit for General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure, $S_{\text{uncontrolled}}[\text{mW/cm}^2] = 1.0$ (see above table)

Using EIRP

$$(\text{Minimum Safe Distance, } r) = \sqrt{\frac{EIRP}{4 \cdot \pi \cdot S}} = \sqrt{\frac{71}{4 \cdot \pi \cdot (1.0)}} \approx 5.7 \text{ cm}$$

Calculated RF Safety Distance for General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure, $r_{\text{safety_uncontrolled}}[\text{cm}] = 5.7$