# 4 FCC §2.1091 & IC RSS-102 - RF Exposure

# 4.1 Applicable Standards

FCC §2.1091

(a) Requirements of this section are a consequence of Commission responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act to evaluate the environmental significance of its actions. See subpart I of this chapter, in particular §1.1307(b).

According to §1.1310 and §2.1091 RF exposure is calculated.

#### Limits for Exposure

| Frequency Range<br>(MHz)                                | Electric Field<br>Strength<br>(V/m) | Magnetic Field<br>Strength<br>(A/m) | Power Density (mW/cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Averaging<br>Time<br>(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 <sup>2</sup> )              | 6                              |  |  |
| 30-300  | 61.4                                | 0.163                               | 1.0                                 | 6                              |  |  |
| 300-1500  | /                                   | /                                   | f/300                               | 6                              |  |  |
| 1500-100,00   | /                                   | /                                   | 1                                   | 6                              |  |  |
| (B) Limits for General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure |                                     |                                     |                                     |                                |  |  |
| 0.3-1.34  | 614                                 | 1.63                                | *(100)                              | 30                             |  |  |
| 1.34-30   | 842/f                               | 2.19/f                              | $*(180/f^2)$                        | 30                             |  |  |
| 30-300  | 27.5                                | 0.073                               | 0.2                                 | 30                             |  |  |
| 300-1500  | /                                   | /                                   | f/150                               | 30                             |  |  |
| 1500-100,000  | /                                   | /                                   | 1                                   | 30                             |  |  |

f = frequency in MHz

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.

<sup>\* =</sup> Plane-wave equivalent power density

According to IC RSS-102 Issue 2 section 4.4, RF Field Strength Limits for Controlled Use Devices (Controlled Environment).

| Frequency Range<br>(MHz) | Electric Field<br>(V/m rms) | Magnetic Field<br>(A/m rms)          | Power Density (W/m²)      | Time Averagi<br>ng<br>(min) |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 0.003 - 1                | 600                         | 2.19                                 | -                         | 6                           |
| 1 - 10                   | 600 / f                     | 4.9 / f                              | -                         | 6                           |
| 10 - 30                  | 60                          | 4.9 / f                              | -                         | 6                           |
| 30 – 300                 | 60                          | 0.163                                | 10*                       | 6                           |
| 300 – 1 500              | 3.54 f <sup>0.5</sup>       | 0.0094f <sup>0.5</sup>               | f/30                      | 6                           |
| 1 500 – 15 000           | 137                         | 0.364                                | 50                        | 6                           |
| 15 000 – 150 000         | 137                         | 0.364                                | 50                        | 616000 / f <sup>1.2</sup>   |
| 150 000- 300 000         | $0.354f^{0.5}$              | $9.4 \times 10^{-4} \text{ f}^{0.5}$ | 3.33 x 10 <sup>-4</sup> f | 616000 / f <sup>1.2</sup>   |

**Note:** f is frequency in MHz

#### Antenna:

The manufacturer does not specify an antenna. A typical vehicle antenna has a gain of 6 dBi was used with this device. This device has provisions for operation in a vehicle, or a fixed location.

## **Operating Cionfiguration and exposure conditions:**

Device category: Mobile per Part 2.1091

**Environment: Controlled Exposure** 

Typical use qualifies for a maximum duty cycle factor of 50%. The manufacturer also markets this device only for occupation use.

- Vehicle Operation: A typical vehicle installation consists of an antenna system with a coaxial cable of the type RG 58 which has a loss of 1 dB for a length of 15 feet.

### **MPE Prediction**

Predication of MPE limit at a given distance, Equation from OET Bulletin 65, Edition 97-01

 $S = PG/4\pi R^2$ 

Where: S = power density

P = power input to antenna

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

<sup>\* =</sup> Power density limit is applicable at frequencies greater than 100 MHz

Maximum peak output power at antenna input terminal (dBm): 37.75

Maximum peak output power at antenna input terminal (mW): 5956.6

Prediction distance (cm): 25

Prediction frequency (MHz): 460.075

Maximum Antenna Gain, typical (dBi): <u>6.0</u>
Maximum Antenna Gain (numeric): 3.98

Cable Loss (dB): 1.0

Power density of prediction frequency at 25 cm (W/m $^2$ ): 11.998Power density of prediction frequency at 25 cm (mW/cm $^2$ ): 1.1998

MPE limit for uncontrolled exposure at prediction frequency (W/m²): 15.34
MPE limit for uncontrolled exposure at prediction frequency (mW/cm²): 1.534

Note: The conducted power output is 5.956 watt, the coax loss was taken as 1 dB, and Antenna gain was taken as 6 dBi, 50% talk time in 6 minutes

#### Conclusion

The device complies with the MPE requirements by providing a safe separation distance of 25 cm between the antenna, including any radiating structure, and any persons when normally operated.

#### Proposed RF exposure safety information to include in User's Manual:

#### "FCC RF Exposure Requirements":

#### CAUTION:

The antenna(s) used for this transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter. This device is approved with emissions having a source-based timeaveraging duty factor not exceeding 50%.

#### Vehicle - Antenna Installation:

- Antennas used for this transmitter must not exceed an antenna gain of 6 dBi
- For rear deck trunk and roof top installations, the antenna must be located at least 25 cm away from rear-seat passengers and bystanders in order to comply with the FCC RF exposure requirements.

The following label will be mounted in conspicuous view on the radio.



Restricted to occupational use to satisfy FCC RF energy exposure limits.
See user manual for awareness and control info.