4 FCC §2.1091, §15.407(f) & ISED RSS-102 - RF Exposure

4.1 Applicable Standards

According to FCC §15.247(i) and §1.1307(b)(1), systems operating under the provisions of this section shall be operated in a manner that ensures that the public is not exposed to radio frequency energy level in excess of the Commission's guidelines.

Frequency Range (MHz)	Electric Field Strength (V/m)	Magnetic Field Strength (A/m)	Power Density (mW/cm²)	Averaging Time (minutes)
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

Limits for General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure

Before equipment certification is granted, the procedure of IC RSS-102 must be followed concerning the exposure of humans to RF field

According to ISED RSS-102 Issue 5:

2.5.2 Exemption Limits for Routine Evaluation – RF Exposure Evaluation

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 MHz⁶ and the source-based, time-averaged maximum e.i.r.p. of the device is equal to or less than 1 W (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-based, 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 x 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.

f = frequency in MHz

^{* =} Plane-wave equivalent power density

4.2 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

4.3 MPE Results

W52 band:

Maximum peak output power at antenna input terminal (dBm): 20.85 Maximum peak output power at antenna input terminal (mW): 121.62 Prediction distance (cm): 20 Prediction frequency (MHz): 5200 Maximum Antenna Gain, typical (dBi): 1.1 Maximum Antenna Gain (numeric): 1.288 Power density of prediction frequency at 20.0 cm (mW/cm²): 0.0312 1.0 FCC MPE limit for uncontrolled exposure at prediction frequency (mW/cm²):

The device is compliant with the requirement MPE limit for uncontrolled exposure. The maximum power density at the distance of 20 cm is 0.0312 mW/cm². Limit is 1.0 mW/cm².

W58 band:

Maximum peak output power at antenna input terminal (dBm): 19.70 Maximum peak output power at antenna input terminal (mW): 93.33 Prediction distance (cm): 20 Prediction frequency (MHz): 5785 Maximum Antenna Gain, typical (dBi): 2.4 Maximum Antenna Gain (numeric): 1.738 Power density of prediction frequency at 20.0 cm (mW/cm²): 0.0323 FCC MPE limit for uncontrolled exposure at prediction frequency (mW/cm²): 1.0

The device is compliant with the requirement MPE limit for uncontrolled exposure. The maximum power density at the distance of 20 cm is 0.0323 mW/cm^2 . Limit is 1.0 mW/cm^2 .

4.4 RF exposure evaluation exemption for IC

W52 band: $20.85 + 1.1 \text{ dBi} = 21.95 \text{ dBm} < 1.31 \times 10^{-2} t^{0.6834} = 4.537 \text{ W} = 36.57 \text{ dBm}$

W58 band: $19.70 + 2.4 \text{ dBi} = 22.10 \text{ dBm} < 1.31 \times 10^{-2} t^{0.6834} = 4.880 \text{ W} = 36.88 \text{ dBm}$

Therefore the RF exposure is not required.