

8. RF EXPOSURE

8.1. RULES AND LIMITS

FCC RULES

§1.1310 The criteria listed in Table 1 shall be used to evaluate the environmental impact of human exposure to radio-frequency (RF) radiation as specified in §1.1307(b), except in the case of portable devices which shall be evaluated according to the provisions of §2.1093 of this chapter.

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

TABLE 1—LIMITS FOR MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE EXPOSURE (MPE)—Continued

Frequency range (MHz)	Electric field strength (V/m)	Magnetic field strength (A/m)	Power density (mW/cm ²)	Averaging time (minutes)
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.

IC RULES

IC Safety Code 6, Section 2.2.1 (a) A person other than an RF and microwave exposed worker shall not be exposed to electromagnetic radiation in a frequency band listed in Column 1 of Table 5, if the field strength exceeds the value given in Column 2 or 3 of Table 5, when averaged spatially and over time, or if the power density exceeds the value given in Column 4 of Table 5, when averaged spatially and over time.

Table 5
Exposure Limits for Persons Not Classed As RF and Microwave Exposed Workers (Including the General Public)

1 Frequency (MHz)	2 Electric Field Strength; rms (V/m)	3 Magnetic Field Strength; rms (A/m)	4 Power Density (W/m ²)	5 Averaging Time (min)
0.003–1	280	2.19		6
1–10	$280/f$	$2.19/f$		6
10–30	28	$2.19/f$		6
30–300	28	0.073	2*	6
300–1 500	$1.585f^{0.5}$	$0.0042f^{0.5}$	$f/150$	6
1 500–15 000	61.4	0.163	10	6
15 000–150 000	61.4	0.163	10	$616\,000/f^{1.2}$
150 000–300 000	$0.158f^{0.5}$	$4.21 \times 10^{-4}f^{0.5}$	$6.67 \times 10^{-5}f$	$616\,000/f^{1.2}$

* Power density limit is applicable at frequencies greater than 100 MHz.

- Notes:**
1. Frequency, f , is in MHz.
 2. A power density of 10 W/m^2 is equivalent to 1 mW/cm^2 .
 3. A magnetic field strength of 1 A/m corresponds to $1.257\text{ microtesla } (\mu\text{T})$ or $12.57\text{ milligauss (mG)}$.

8.2. OPERATING MODES

The setup phase (LRP) and normal operation (MRP/HRP) do not occur simultaneously; therefore it is appropriate to consider the RF exposure during these two operating modes independently.

8.3. SETUP PHASE (LRP) EVALUATION

8.3.1. SETUP PHASE (LRP) PROCEDURE

The maximum power of the Setup Phase (LRP) emission is measured on-axis at a 5 cm distance using a small aperture rectangular waveguide probe antenna as specified in IEEE C95.3.

The RF Exposure calculations for LRP assume that the off-axis power density in all possible beam orientations is equal to the maximum on-axis power density, and the separation distance is the height of the lowest antenna element.

The probe antenna is connected to a spectrum analyzer via a downconverter. The spectrum analyzer is set to measure channel power using peak detection with the Max Hold mode activated, to capture the maximum peak emission level as the LRP beam is scanned over the normal range of beam orientations. The source-based duty cycle is applied to this peak measurement to yield the maximum average emission level.

The power density is calculated using the Friis equation and OET 65 Equation 18:

(Friis equation)

$$(P_T G_T)_{eff} = \frac{P_R}{G_R} \left(\frac{4\pi D}{\lambda} \right)^2$$

where

$(P_T G_T)_{eff}$ = effective radiated power at measurement distance

P_R = Power Received

G_R = Gain of small aperture Receive probe antenna

D = Measurement distance

λ = wavelength

(OET 65 Equation 18)

$$S = (P_T G_T)_{eff} / (4\pi D)^2$$

where:

S = Power Density

$(P_T G_T)_{eff}$ = effective radiated power at measurement distance

D = Separation Distance

8.3.2. SETUP PHASE (LRP) RESULTS

Duty Cycle = $100 * (0.137 \text{ us} / 20.7 \text{ us}) = 0.66\%$

Duty Cycle Factor = $10 * \text{Log} (0.137 \text{ us} / 20.7 \text{ us}) = -21.8 \text{ dB}$

LRP POWER DENSITY

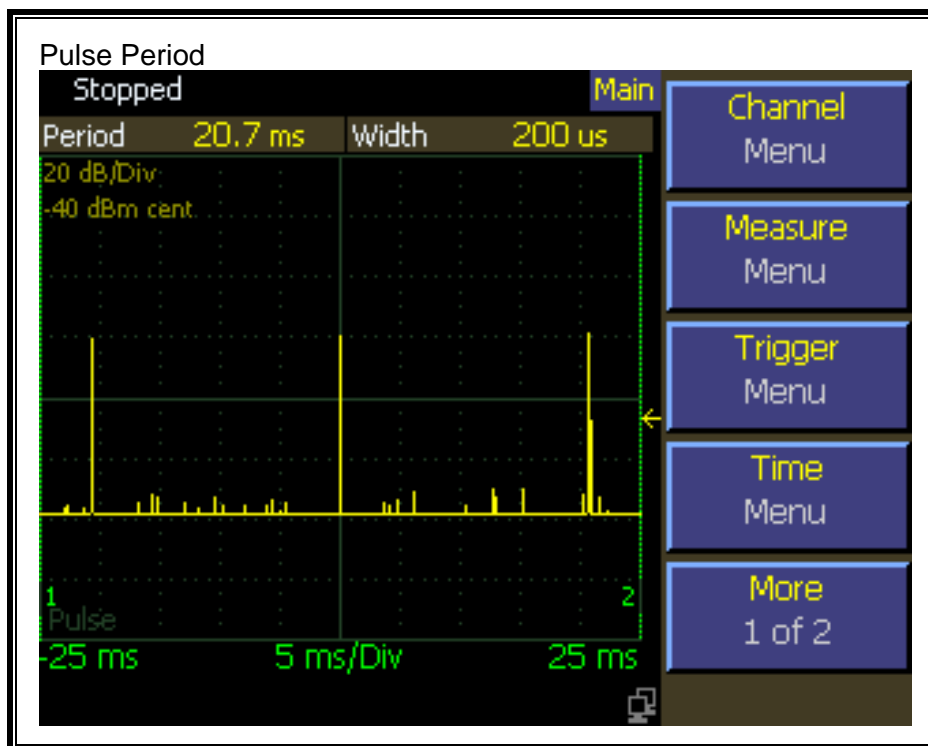
Freq	Meas Dist	Meas Peak Power	Duty Cycle Factor	Probe Gain	Average (Pt*Gt)	Average (Pt*Gt)	Separation Distance	Power Density	FCC / IC Pwr Density Limit
(GHz)	(cm)	(dBm)	(dB)	(dBi)	(dBm)	(mw)	(cm)	(mW/cm^2)	(mW/cm^2)
								(W/m^2)	(W/m^2)

Worst-case LRP Channel for Laptop Configuration #1									
60.480	5.0	-6.41	-21.80	6.53	7.3	5.4	3.9	0.0282	1.0
								0.282	10.0

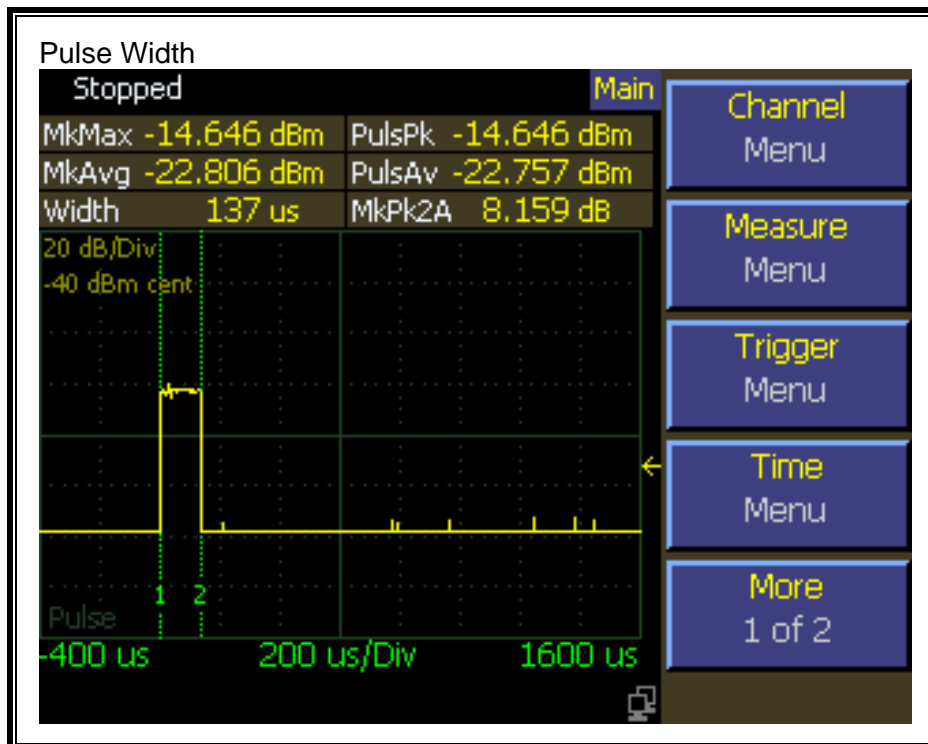
Worst-case LRP Channel for Laptop Configuration #2									
60.480	5.0	-5.20	-21.80	6.53	8.5	7.1	4.5	0.0280	1.0
								0.280	10.0

Worst-case LRP Channel for Laptop Configuration #3									
60.639	5.0	-8.21	-21.80	6.53	5.5	3.6	4.9	0.0119	1.0
								0.119	10.0

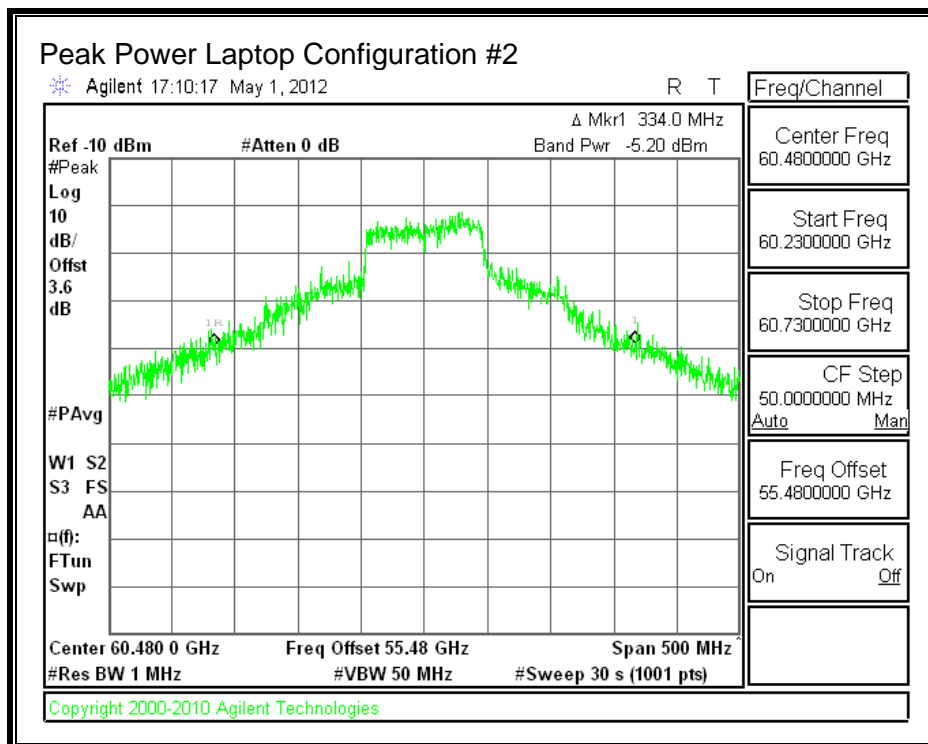
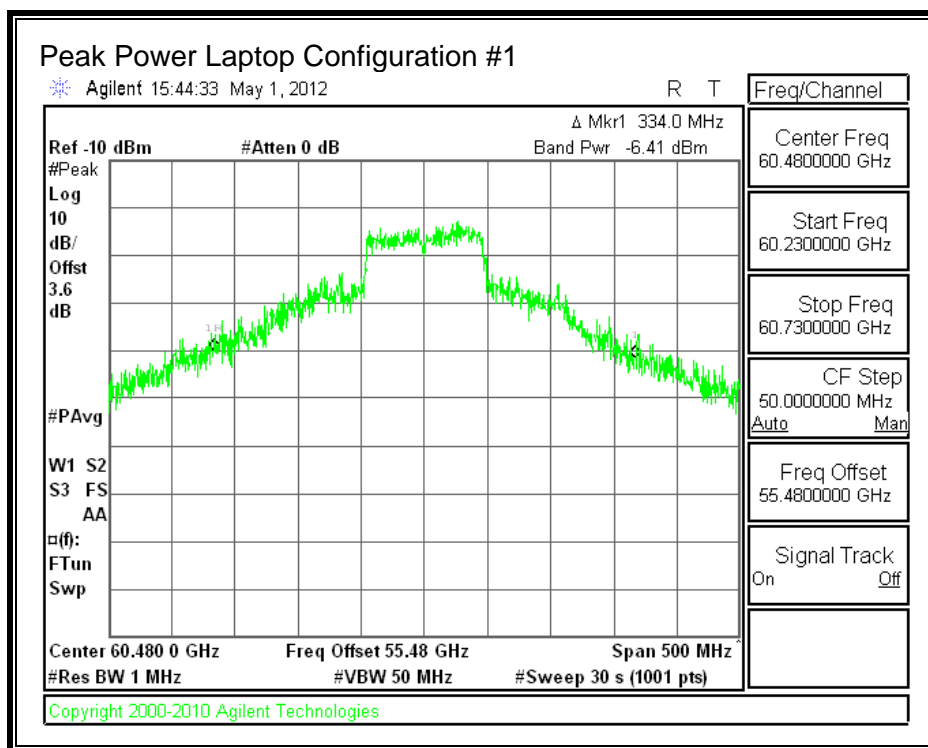
8.3.3. SETUP PHASE (LRP) DUTY CYCLE

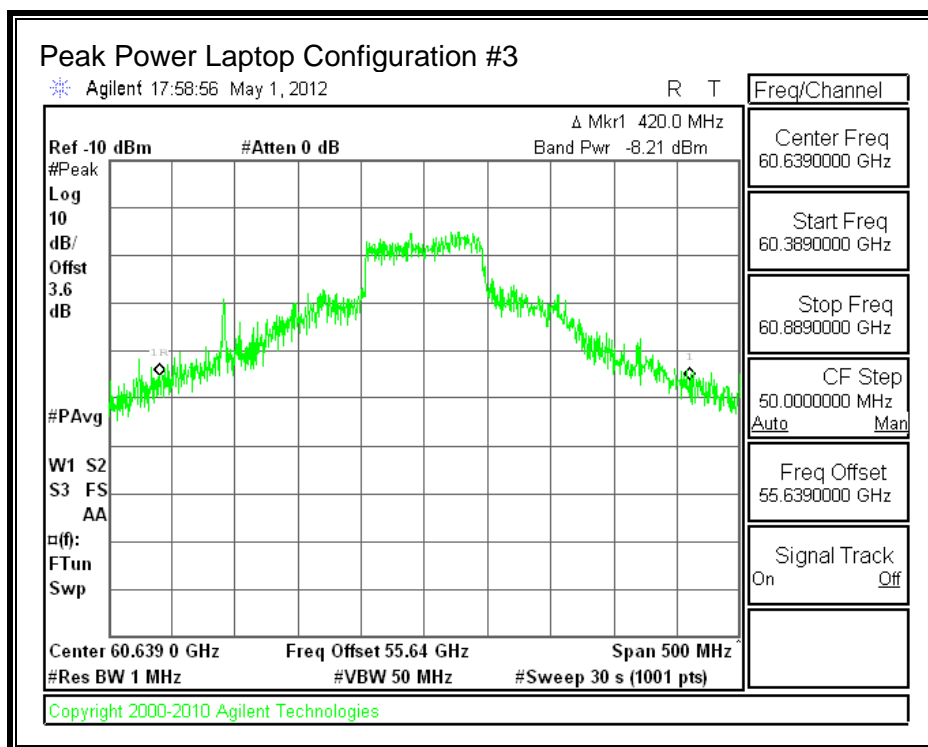


Note: Pulse width measurement has limited resolution in 5 ms/Div scan.



8.3.4. PEAK ON-AXIS LRP POWER





8.4. NORMAL OPERATION (MRP/HRP) EVALUATION

8.4.1. NORMAL OPERATION (MRP/HRP) PROCEDURE

The worst-case average power of the Normal Operation Phase (MRPHRP) emission is measured directly using a small aperture rectangular waveguide probe antenna as specified in IEEE C95.3.

The probe antenna is connected to an average power sensor. Since the transmitting antenna beam is locked during the measurement and the sensor responds across ON and OFF times of the EUT, the inherent source-based duty cycle is included in the measurement and no duty cycle factor is applied to subsequent calculations.

The measurement is made with the EUT TX beam angle oriented in the worst-case direction, with the measurement probe bore-sighted to this beam, and with the aperture of the probe in the plane of the base of the host laptop. The measurement distance is equal to the separation distance corresponding to the location of this worst-case power density.

The power density is calculated using the Friis equation and OET 65 Equation 18:

(Friis equation)

$$(P_T G_T)_{eff} = \frac{P_R}{G_R} \left(\frac{4\pi D}{\lambda} \right)^2$$

where

$(P_T G_T)_{eff}$ = effective radiated power at measurement distance

P_R = Power Received

G_R = Gain of small aperture Receive probe antenna

D = Measurement distance

λ = wavelength

(OET 65 Equation 18)

$$S = (P_T G_T)_{eff} / (4\pi D)^2$$

where:

S = Power Density

$(P_T G_T)_{eff}$ = effective radiated power at measurement distance

D = Separation Distance

8.4.2. NORMAL OPERATION (MRP/HRP) RESULTS

Freq	Meas Dist	Meas Avg Power	Probe Gain	Boresight (Pt*Gt)	Boresight (Pt*Gt)	Separation Distance	Power Density	FCC Pwr Density Limit
(GHz)	(cm)	(dBm)	(dBi)	(dBm)	(mw)	(cm)	(mW/cm^2)	(mW/cm^2)
							(W/m^2)	(W/m^2)

MRP for Laptop Configuration #1								
60.480	5.5	-13.70	6.53	22.6	184.0	5.5	0.4842	1.0
							4.8416	10.0
62.640	5.5	-12.99	6.49	23.7	234.5	5.5	0.6173	1.0
							6.1726	10.0
HRP for Laptop Configuration #1								
60.480	5.5	-14.50	6.53	21.8	153.0	5.5	0.4027	1.0
							4.0271	10.0
62.640	5.5	-15.21	6.49	21.5	140.7	5.5	0.3702	1.0
							3.7023	10.0

MRP for Laptop Configuration #2								
60.480	6.4	-14.84	6.53	22.8	191.6	6.4	0.3724	1.0
							3.7238	10.0
62.640	6.4	-15.03	6.49	23.0	198.5	6.4	0.3859	1.0
							3.8590	10.0
HRP for Laptop Configuration #2								
60.480	6.4	-15.31	6.53	22.4	171.9	6.4	0.3342	1.0
							3.3419	10.0
62.640	6.4	-16.22	6.49	21.8	150.9	6.4	0.2934	1.0
							2.9341	10.0

MRP for Laptop Configuration #3								
60.480	6.9	-16.79	6.53	21.5	142.1	6.9	0.2377	1.0
							2.3768	10.0
62.640	6.9	-18.22	6.49	20.4	110.7	6.9	0.1851	1.0
							1.8513	10.0
HRP for Laptop Configuration #3								
60.480	6.9	-17.95	6.53	20.4	108.8	6.9	0.1820	1.0
							1.8197	10.0
62.640	6.9	-19.55	6.49	19.1	81.5	6.9	0.1363	1.0
							1.3629	10.0