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

According to FCC §15.407(f) 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.

Limits for General	Population/Uncontrolled	Exposure
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Frequency Range (MHz)	Electric Field Strength (V/m)	Magnetic Field Strength (A/m)	Power Density (mW/cm ²)	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	

f = frequency in MHz

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.

^{* =} Plane-wave equivalent power density

4.1 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

4.2 MPE Results

5.8 GHz Wi-Fi

Maximum output power at antenna input terminal (dBm): 12.74

Maximum output power at antenna input terminal (mW): 18.793

Prediction distance (cm): 18.793

Prediction frequency (MHz): 5825

Maximum Antenna Gain, typical (dBi): -0.3

Maximum Antenna Gain (numeric): 0.9332

Power density of prediction frequency at 20.0 cm (mW/cm²): 0.003489

FCC MPE limit for uncontrolled exposure at prediction frequency (mW/cm 2): 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 0.003489 mW/cm². Limit is 1.0 mW/cm².

4.3 RF exposure evaluation exemption for IC

5.8 GHz Wi-Fi

 $12.74 + (-0.3) \text{ dBi} = 12.44 \text{ dBm} < 1.31 \times 10^{-2} f^{0.6834} = 4.903 \text{ W} = 36.905 \text{ dBm}$

Therefore the RF exposure is not required.