

Exposure Calculation Report

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Model: X100

In accordance with EN 62311



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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The calculation of exposure for this product was found to be compliant at minimum distances of 2.25 m for the VHF transmitter and 20 cm for the 2.4 GHz WLAN transmitter with EN 62311, assuming continuous exposure of 6 minutes or more. If alternative antennas are used with greater gains, the distance must be recalculated.



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1 Report Summary

1.1 Report Modification Record

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Issue	Description of Change	Date of Issue
1	First Issue	25 September 2023
2	Update model name	16-October-2024

Table 1

1.2 Introduction

Applicant	em-trak Marine Electronics Limited
Manufacturer	em-trak Marine Electronics Limited
Model Number(s)	X100
Hardware Version(s)	1.0
Software Version(s)	220200.01 - Radio 220400.01 - Network
Specification/Issue/Date	EN 62311:2008 Assessment of electronic and electrical equipment related to human exposure restrictions for electromagnetic fields (0 Hz to 300 GHz)
Order Number	POR102360
Related Document(s)	Directive 2013/35/EU on minimum health and safety requirements regarding the exposure of workers to the risks arising from physical agents (electromagnetic fields). European Council Recommendation 1999/519/EC of 12 July 1999 on the limitation of exposure of the general public to electromagnetic fields (0 Hz to 300 GHz), Official Journal, L199, of 1999-7-30, p.59-70.



1.3 Brief Summary of Results

The wireless device described within this report was compliant with the restrictions related to human exposure to electromagnetic fields for both general public and worker/occupational exposures at the minimum compliance distances calculated.

The calculations shown in this report were made in accordance with the procedures specified in the applied test specification(s).



1.4 Product Information

1.4.1 Technical Description

VHF Radio with DSC Class D and AIS Class B SOTDMA.

1.4.2 Transmitter Description

The following radio access technologies and frequency bands are supported by the equipment under test.

Radio Access Technology	Frequency Band (MHz)	Minimum Frequency (MHz)	Output Power (dBm)	Duty Cycle (%)
VHF	155.5 – 162.5	155.5	44	100
2.4 GHz WLAN	2400-2483.5	2412	20.5	100

Table 2 – Transmitter Description

Note: Transmitter power includes upper bounds of uncertainty therefore maximum values are used in accordance with Section 2.4.

1.4.3 Antenna Description

The following antennas are supported by the equipment under test.

Radio Access Technology	Antenna Model	Gain (dBi)	Antenna length (mm)	Minimum Separation Distance (cm)
VHF	VHF Marine vertical	3	900	225
2.4 GHz WLAN	External 2.4GHz WiFi antenna	2	80	20

Table 3 – Antenna Description

In the case of more than one type of antenna being supported by the equipment, the calculation is based on the maximum of the antenna gains for the defined Radio Access Technology. If other antennas can be used that have greater gains, the minimum separation distances will need to be recalculated.

Note: Antenna gain includes upper bounds of uncertainty therefore maximum values are used in accordance with Section 2.4.

1.4.4 Equipment Configuration

Whilst the product can simultaneously transmit the antennas are not co-located and therefore calculations are based only on single transmitters.

2 Assessment Details

2.1 Assessment Method

The assessment method is by calculation of the power density S, electric field strength E, magnetic field strength H or magnetic flux density B.

The calculation uses the spherical model applicable under far field conditions and also radiating near field conditions where applicable (see Section 2.3).

$$S = E \times H = \frac{E^2}{\eta} = H^2 \times \eta = \frac{P \times G_i}{4 \times \pi \times r^2}$$

Where:

η - Impedance of free space (377 ohm in far field)

P – Average transmitter power W ($P_{av} = P_{max} \times$ Duty Cycle)

G_i – Antenna gain ratio relative to isotropic

r – Separation distance m

The magnetic flux density is related to the magnetic field strength by a constant:

$$B = \mu_0 \times H$$

Where:

μ_0 – Permeability of free space $4 \times \pi \times 10^{-7}$ H/m

This assessment assumes that exposure is continuous for 6 minutes or more in accordance with the averaging time required by the exposure standards at the stated minimum compliance boundary separation distance. Exposures of less than 6 minutes at other separation distances are not addressed by this report.

This assessment method of RF exposure is applicable to separation distances of 20 cm or more beyond the reactive near field boundary. Separation distances of less than 20 cm require a Specific Absorption Rate (SAR) assessment.

The reactive near field boundary and far field region boundary depend on the frequency and wavelength and also on the antenna dimension. The boundaries of the field regions are calculated in Section 2.3 to demonstrate the validity of using the spherical model.

The result is compared to the limits in Annex A to determine compliance or to calculate the required compliance distance. The calculation is based on the lowest frequency in each band as the most onerous requirement as the limits increase with frequency for frequencies above 10-50 MHz (dependent on region).

2.2 Individual Antenna Port Exposure Results

2.2.1 Calculation of Exposure at Specified Separation Distance - VHF

The frequencies shown in the tables below have been chosen based on the lowest possible frequency that the EUT can transmit. A full list of the regional requirements is shown in Annex A.

Regional Requirement	RAT	Calculated RF exposure level at minimum compliance boundary of 2.25 m							
		S Power Density (W/m ²)		E Field (V/m)		H Field (A/m)		B Field (µT)	
		Result	Limit	Result	Limit	Result	Limit	Result	Limit
EN	VHF	0.79	N/A	17.23	61.00	0.0457	N/A	0.79	N/A

Table 4 – Worker/Occupational Individual Transmitter Result

The calculations show that the EUT complies with the worker/occupational exposure levels described in the listed specifications in Annex A at the point of investigation, a minimum distance of 2.25 m.

Regional Requirement	RAT	Calculated RF exposure level at minimum compliance boundary of 2.25 m							
		S Power Density (W/m ²)		E Field (V/m)		H Field (A/m)		B Field (µT)	
		Result	Limit	Result	Limit	Result	Limit	Result	Limit
EN	VHF	0.79	2.00	17.23	28.00	0.0457	0.0730	0.0574	0.0920

Table 5 – General Public Individual Transmitter Result

The calculations show that the EUT complies with the general public exposure levels described in the listed specifications in Annex A at the point of investigation, a minimum distance of 2.25 m.

2.2.2 Calculation of Exposure at Specified Separation Distance - 2.4 GHz WLAN

The frequencies shown in the tables below have been chosen based on the lowest possible frequency that the EUT can transmit. A full list of the regional requirements is shown in Annex A.

Regional Requirement	RAT	Calculated RF exposure level at minimum compliance boundary of 0.2 m							
		S Power Density (W/m ²)		E Field (V/m)		H Field (A/m)		B Field (µT)	
		Result	Limit	Result	Limit	Result	Limit	Result	Limit
EN	2.4 GHz WLAN	0.35	N/A	11.55	140.00	0.0306	N/A	0.0385	0.4500

Table 6 – Worker/Occupational Individual Transmitter Result

The calculations show that the EUT complies with the worker/occupational exposure levels described in the listed specifications in Annex A at the point of investigation, a minimum distance of 0.2 m.

Regional Requirement	RAT	Calculated RF exposure level at minimum compliance boundary of 0.2 m							
		S Power Density (W/m ²)		E Field (V/m)		H Field (A/m)		B Field (µT)	
		Result	Limit	Result	Limit	Result	Limit	Result	Limit
EN	2.4 GHz WLAN	0.35	10.00	11.55	61.00	0.0306	0.1600	0.0385	0.2000

Table 7 – General Public Individual Transmitter Result

The calculations show that the EUT complies with the general public exposure levels described in the listed specifications in Annex A at the point of investigation, a minimum distance of 0.2 m.

2.3 Far Field Region Boundary Results

The far field region boundary calculation result is shown in Table 8:

Near Field / Far Field Boundary (Ref: EN 62311 Annex A)			
RAT Name	Frequency MHz	Reactive Near Field Boundary (Wave Impedance Dependent)	Far Field Boundary (Antennas on axis)
		$\lambda/4$ (m)	$2D^2/\lambda$ (m)
VHF	155.5	0.4823	0.8397
2.4 GHz WLAN	2412.0	0.0311	0.1029

Table 8 – Far Field Boundary

The compliance boundaries of 2.25m for VHF and 0.2m for 2.4 GHz WLAN are in the far field regions and therefore, the approach described in section 2.1 is valid.

Field Region	Reactive Near Field Region	Radiating Near Field Region	Far Field Region
Maximum Boundary	< 0.0311 m	0.0311 - 0.8397 m	> 0.8397 m
Validity of Regions	Spherical model potential under-estimate: SAR / test assessment required	Spherical model over-estimate and conservative	Spherical model valid
Compliance Boundary Location	N/A	N/A	2.25 m

Table 9 – Assessment Method Validity (VHF)

Field Region	Reactive Near Field Region	Radiating Near Field Region	Far Field Region
Maximum Boundary	< 0.0311 m	0.0311 - 0.1029 m	> 0.1029 m
Validity of Regions	Spherical model potential under-estimate: SAR / test assessment required	Spherical model over-estimate and conservative	Spherical model valid
Compliance Boundary Location	N/A	N/A	0.2 m

Table 10 – Assessment Method Validity (2.4 GHz WLAN)



2.4 Uncertainty

The basic computation formulas presented in section 2.1 are conservative formulas for the estimation of RF field strength or power density.

No uncertainty estimations are required when using these formulas but there is clear guidance on where and when these formulas are applicable. For the estimate of S, E or H to be conservative, the transmitter power P and antenna gain G values shall be the upper bounds of uncertainty therefore maximum values are used.

The spherical formula is valid under far field conditions which are established in section 2.3.



ANNEX A

REGIONAL REQUIREMENTS



Frequency Range (MHz)	Power Density (W/m ²)	Electric Field Strength (V/m)	Magnetic Field Strength (A/m)	Magnetic Flux Density (µT)
0.1 - 1	-	610	N/A	2/f
1 - 10	-	610/f	N/A	2/f
10 - 400		61	N/A	0.2
400 - 2000		3*f^0.5	N/A	1E-2*f^0.5
2000 - 6000		140	N/A	0.45
6000 - 300000	50	140	N/A	0.45

**Table A.1 – EN: Action levels in Directive 2013/35/EU Annex III Table B1
Worker/Occupational Limits**

Frequency Range (MHz)	Power Density (W/m ²)	Electric Field Strength (V/m)	Magnetic Field Strength (A/m)	Magnetic Flux Density (µT)
0.003 - 0.15	-	87	5	6.25
0.15 - 1	-	87	0.73/f	0.92/f
1 - 10	-	87/f^0.5	0.73/f	0.92/f
10 - 400	2	28	0.073	0.092
400 - 2000	f/200	1.375*f^0.5	0.0037*f^0.5	0.0046*f^0.5
2000 - 300000	10	61	0.16	0.2

**Table A.2 – EN: Council Recommendation 1999/519/EC Annex II Table 1 General Public
Limits**