

FCC §1.1307 (b) – RF EXPOSURE

Applicable Standard

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

According to KDB 447498 D04 Interim General RF Exposure Guidance v01, clause 2.1.4 –MPE-Based Exemption:

An alternative to the SAR-based exemption is provided in § 1.1307(b)(3)(i)(C), for a much wider frequency range, from 300 kHz to 100 GHz, applicable for separation distances greater or equal to $\lambda/2\pi$, where λ is the free-space operating wavelength in meters. The MPE-based test exemption condition is in terms of ERP, defined as the product of the maximum antenna gain and the delivered maximum time-averaged power. For this case, a RF source is an RF exempt device if its ERP (watts) is no more than a frequency-dependent value, as detailed tabular form in Appendix B. These limits have been derived based on the basic specifications on Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) considered for the FCC rules in § 1.1310(e)(1).

Table to § 1.1307(b)(3)(i)(C) - Single RF Sources Subject to Routine Environmental Evaluation

RF Source frequency (MHz)	Threshold ERP (watts)
0.3-1.34	$1,920 R^2$.
1.34-30	$3,450 R^2/f^2$.
30-300	$3.83 R^2$.
300-1,500	$0.0128 R^2f$.
1,500-100,000	$19.2R^2$.

f = frequency in MHz;

R = minimum separation distance from the body of a nearby person (appropriate units, e.g., m);

Test result

For worst case:

Mode	Frequency Range (MHz)	Tune-up Output Power		Antenna Gain		ERP		Evaluation Distance (cm)	MPE-Based Exemption Threshold (W)
		(dBm)	(mW)	(dBi)	(dBd)	(dBm)	(mW)		
BLE	2402-2480	0.5	1.12	-0.68	-2.83	-2.33	0.58	20	0.768

Note 1: The tune-up power was declared by the applicant.

Note 2: 0dBd=2.15dBi.

To maintain compliance with the FCC's RF exposure guidelines, place the equipment at least 20cm from nearby persons.

Result: Compliant.