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# GENERAL SAFETY INFORMATION

The following general safety precautions must be observed during all phases of operation, service, and repair of the equipment described in this manual. The safety precautions listed below represent warnings of certain dangers of which we are aware. You should follow these warnings and all other safety precautions necessary for the safe operation of the equipment in your operating environment.

## General Safety Precautions

- ▶ Read and follow all warning notices and instructions marked on the product or included in this manual before installing, servicing or operating the equipment. Retain these safety instructions for future reference. Also, all applicable safety procedures, such as Occupational, Safety, and Health Administration (OSHA) requirements, National Electrical Code (NEC) requirements, local code requirements, safe working practices, and good judgement must be used by personnel.
- ▶ Refer to appropriate section of the product service manual for additional pertinent safety information.
- ▶ Because of danger of introducing additional hazards, do not install substitute parts or perform any unauthorized modifications of equipment.
- ▶ Identify maintenance actions that require two people to perform the repair. Two people are required when:
  - A repair has the risk of injury that would require one person to perform first aid or call for emergency support. An example would be work around high voltage sources. A second person may be required to remove power and call for emergency aid if an accident occurs to the first person.  
**Note** Use the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) lifting equation to determine whether a one or two person lift is required when a system component must be removed and replaced in its rack.
- ▶ If troubleshooting the equipment while power is applied, be aware of the live circuits.
- ▶ DO NOT operate the transmitter of any radio unless all RF connectors are secure and all connectors are properly terminated.
- ▶ All equipment must be properly grounded in accordance with Motorola Standards and Guideline for Communications Sites “R56” 68P81089E50 and specified installation instructions for safe operation.
- ▶ Slots and openings in the cabinet are provided for ventilation. To ensure reliable operation of the product and to protect it from overheating, these slots and openings must not be blocked or covered.
- ▶ Only a qualified technician familiar with similar electronic equipment should service equipment.
- ▶ Some equipment components can become extremely hot during operation. Turn off all power to the equipment and wait until sufficiently cool before touching.

## Human Exposure Compliance

This equipment is designed to generate and radiate radio frequency (RF) energy by means of an external antenna. When terminated into a non-radiating RF load, the base station equipment is certified to comply with Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations pertaining to human exposure to RF radiation in accordance with the FCC Rules Part 1 section 1.1310 as published in title 47 code of federal regulations and procedures established in TIA/EIA TSB92, Report On EME Evaluation for RF Cabinet Emissions Under FCC MPE Guidelines. Compliance to FCC regulations of the final installation should be assessed and take into account site specific characteristics

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such as type and location of antennas, as well as site accessibility of occupational personnel (controlled environment) and the general public (uncontrolled environment). This equipment should only be installed and maintained by trained technicians. Licensees of the FCC using this equipment are responsible for insuring that its installation and operation comply with FCC regulations Part 1 section 1.1310 as published in title 47 code of federal regulations.

Whether a given installation meets FCC limits for human exposure to radio frequency radiation may depend not only on this equipment but also on whether the “environments” being assessed are being affected by radio frequency fields from other equipment, the effects of which may add to the level of exposure. Accordingly, the overall exposure may be affected by radio frequency generating facilities that exist at the time the licensee’s equipment is being installed or even by equipment installed later. Therefore, the effects of any such facilities must be considered in site selection and in determining whether a particular installation meets the FCC requirements.

FCC OET Bulletin 65 provides materials to assist in making determinations if a given facility is compliant with the human exposure to RF radiation limits. Determining the compliance of transmitter sites of various complexities may be accomplished by means of computational methods. For more complex sites direct measurement of the power density may be more expedient. Additional information on the topic of electromagnetic exposure is contained in the Motorola Standards and Guideline for Communications Sites publication. Persons responsible for installation of this equipment are urged to consult the listed reference material to assist in determining whether a given installation complies with the applicable limits.

In general the following guidelines should be observed when working in or around radio transmitter sites:

- ▶ All personnel should have electromagnetic energy awareness training
- ▶ All personnel entering the site must be authorized
- ▶ Obey all posted signs
- ▶ Assume all antennas are active
- ▶ Before working on antennas, notify owners and disable appropriate transmitters
- ▶ Maintain minimum 3 feet clearance from all antennas
- ▶ Do not stop in front of antennas
- ▶ Use personal RF monitors while working near antennas
- ▶ Never operate transmitters without shields during normal operation
- ▶ Do not operate base station antennas in equipment rooms

For installations outside of the U.S., consult with the applicable governing body and standards for RF energy human exposure requirements and take the necessary steps for compliance with local regulations.

## References

TIA/EIA TSB92 “Report On EME Evaluation for RF Cabinet Emissions Under FCC MPE Guidelines,” Global Engineering Documents: <http://global.ihs.com/>

FCC OET Bulletin 65 “Evaluating Compliance with FCC Guidelines for Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields”: <http://www.fcc.gov/oet/rfsafety/>.

Motorola Standards and Guideline for Communications Sites, Motorola manual 68P81089E50.

IEEE Recommended Practice for the Measure of Potentially Hazardous Electromagnetic Fields – RF and Microwave, IEEE Std C95.3–1991, Publication Sales, 445 Hoes Lane, P.O. Box 1331, Piscataway, NJ 08855–1331

IEEE Standard for Safety Levels with Respect to Human Exposure to Radio Frequency Electromagnetic Fields, 3 kHz to 300 GHz, IEEE C95.1 – 1991, Publication Sales, 445 Hoes Lane, P.O. Box 1331, Piscataway, NJ 08855–1331.