

(i) Any application for registration or modification of the registration of a telephone, filed on or after March 1, 1984, shall state whether the handset complies with § 68.316 of these rules (defining hearing aid compatibility), or state that it does not comply with that section. A telephone handset which complies with § 68.316 shall be deemed a “hearing aid-compatible telephone” for purposes of § 68.4.

(j) Terminal equipment having the following lead connections to standard jacks or adapters are subject to the following compliance tests:

(1) *Make-busy leads*: The MB and MB1 leads shall be considered telephone connections and comply with the requirements of §§ 68.304 and 68.306 when isolated from tip and ring. When the corresponding telephone line is of the loop-start type the tip and ring leads shall comply with all part 68 rules when the MB and MB1 leads are bridged to the tip and ring connections.

(2) *Continuity leads*: Leakage current limitations shall be met as specified in § 68.304. The design of the terminal equipment shall assure that the open circuit dc voltage to ground shall not exceed 18 volts; the dc current in a short circuit across CY1 and CY2 shall not exceed 10 milliamperes; and any ac voltage to ground appearing on the continuity leads from sources in the terminal equipment shall not exceed 5 volts peak. The leads, CY1 and CY2, shall be treated as telephone connections for the purpose of hazardous voltage limitation tests and are only required to comply with § 68.304, 68.306(a) and (b)(1). Terminal equipment furnished with CY1 and CY2 leads shall comply with the criteria of § 68.308 and 68.314 with a short circuit across the CY1 and CY2 leads.

(3) Specialty adapters need only be evaluated for compliance with §§ 68.304 and 68.310 under the conditions specified in § 68.310. Resistors used for setting signal power levels must meet the requirements of § 68.502(e). Specialty adapters may be labelled, “FCC Reg. No. XXX”. (The proper number should be included.) The other information required by §§ 68.300 need not be provided.

(4) Data jack programmed resistor leads (PR and PC): See § 68.502(e). Leakage current limitations shall be met as

specified in § 68.304. PR and PC will be treated as telephone connections for the purpose of hazardous voltage limitation tests and are only required to comply with § 68.306(a) and (b)(1). Equipment furnished with PR and PC leads shall comply with the criteria of §§ 68.308 and 68.314 for all permitted values of the programming resistor specified in § 68.502(e).

(k) Any application for registration of a cordless telephone operating under the provisions of part 15 of this chapter shall be accompanied by a statement indicating that the device contains appropriate provision for protection of the public switched telephone network, pursuant to the requirements in § 15.214 of this chapter.

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§ 68.202 Public notice.

(a) The Commission will issue public notices of the filing of applications for equipment registrations and the grants thereof. No grant will issue before five days from the date of the public notice of the filing of the application.

(b) The Commission will maintain lists of equipment for which it has granted registration and for which it has revoked registration.

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§ 68.204 Comments and replies.

Comments may be filed as to any application for equipment registration within five days of the date of the public notice of its filing. Replies to such comments may be filed within five days of the filing of such comments. All comments must be served on all parties filing comments. An original and three copies of all comments and replies must be filed.

[50 FR 47548, Nov. 19, 1985]

§ 68.206 Grant of application.

(a) The Commission will grant an application for equipment registration if it finds from an examination of such application and other matter which it

may officially notice, that the equipment will comply with the rules and regulations in subpart D of this part, or that such grant will otherwise serve the public interest.

(b) Grants will be made in writing showing the effective date of the grant and any special condition(s) attaching to the grant.

(c) Equipment registration shall not attach to any equipment, nor shall any equipment registration be deemed effective, until the application has been granted.

§ 68.208 Dismissal and return of application.

(a) An application which is not filed in accordance with the requirements of this part or which is defective with respect to completeness of answers to questions, execution or other matters of a formal character, may not be accepted for filing by the Commission and may be returned as unacceptable for filing unless accompanied by a fully supported request for waiver.

(b) Any application, upon written request, may be dismissed prior to a determination granting or denying the equipment registration requested.

(c) If an applicant is requested by the Commission to furnish any additional documents, information or equipment not specifically required by this subpart, a failure to comply with the request within the time, if any, specified by the Commission will result in the dismissal of such application.

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§ 68.210 Denial of application.

If the Commission is unable to make the findings specified in § 68.206 it will deny the application. Notification of the denial will include a statement of the reasons for the denial.

§ 68.211 Registration revocation procedures.

(a) *Cause for revocation.* The Commission may revoke the Part 68 registration of a registrant:

- (1) Who has obtained the equipment registration by misrepresentation;
- (2) Whose registered equipment is shown to cause harm to the network;

(3) Who willfully or repeatedly fails to comply with the terms and conditions of its Part 68 registration; or

(4) Who willfully or repeatedly fails to comply with any rule, regulation or order issued by the Commission under the Communications Act of 1934 relating to equipment registration.

(b) *Notice of Intent to Revoke Part 68 Registration.* Before revoking a Part 68 registration under the provisions of this section, the Commission, or the Common Carrier Bureau under delegated authority, will issue a written Notice of Intent to Revoke Part 68 Registration, or Joint Notice of Apparent Liability for Forfeiture and Intent to Revoke Part 68 Registration pursuant to §§ 1.80 and 1.89 of this chapter.

(1) *Contents of the Notice.* The Notice will:

(i) Identify the registration date(s) and registration number(s) of the equipment, and the rule or federal law apparently violated;

(ii) Set forth the nature of the act or omission charged against the registrant, and the facts upon which such charge is based;

(iii) Specify that in the event of revocation, the registrant may not reapply for registration of the same product for a period of six months; and

(iv) Specify that revocation of the registration may be in addition to, or in lieu of, an amount in forfeiture levied pursuant to § 1.80 of this chapter.

(c) *Delivery.* The Notice will be sent via certified mail to the registrant at the address certified in the Part 68 application associated with the registration at issue.

(d) *Response.* The registrant will be given a reasonable period of time (usually 30 days from the date of the Notice) to show, in writing, why its part 68 registration should not be revoked or why the forfeiture penalty should not be imposed or should be reduced.

(e) *Reapplication.* A registrant whose registration has been revoked may not apply for registration of the same product for a period of six months from the date of revocation of the registration.

(f) *Reconsideration or appeal.* A registrant who is issued a revocation of equipment registration and/or forfeiture assessment may request reconsideration or make administrative appeal