

§ 25.222 Blanket Licensing provisions for Earth Stations on Vessels (ESVs) receiving in the 10.95–11.2 GHz (space-to-Earth), 11.45–11.7 GHz (space-to-Earth), 11.7–12.2 GHz (space-to-Earth) frequency bands and transmitting in the 14.0–14.5 GHz (Earth-to-space) frequency band, operating with Geostationary Satellites in the Fixed-Satellite Service.

(a) All applications for licenses for ESVs receiving in the 10.95–11.2 GHz (space-to-Earth), 11.45–11.7 GHz (space-to-Earth), 11.7–12.2 GHz (space-to-Earth) frequency bands, and transmitting in the 14.0–14.5 GHz (Earth-to-space) frequency band, to Geostationary Satellites in the fixed-satellite service shall provide sufficient data to demonstrate that the ESV operations meet the following criteria, which are ongoing requirements that govern all ESV licensees and operations in these bands:

(1) The off-axis EIRP spectral density for co-polarized signals, emitted from the ESV in the plane of the geostationary satellite orbit as it appears at the particular earth station location (*i.e.*, the plane determined by the focal point of the antenna and the line tangent to the arc of the geostationary satellite orbit at the position of the target satellite), shall not exceed the following values:

$$15 - 25\log(\theta) - 10\log(N) \text{ dBW/4kHz for } 1.25^\circ \leq \theta \leq 7.0^\circ$$

$$-6 - 10 \log(N) \text{ dBW/4kHz for } 7.0^\circ < \theta \leq 9.2^\circ$$

$$18 - 25\log(\theta) - 10\log(N) \text{ dBW/4kHz for } 9.2^\circ < \theta \leq 48^\circ$$

$$-24 - 10\log(N) \text{ dBW/4kHz for } 48^\circ < \theta \leq 180^\circ$$

where θ is the angle in degrees from the axis of the main lobe. For an ESV network using frequency division multiple access (FDMA) or time division multiple access (TDMA) technique, N is equal to one. For an ESV network using code division multiple access (CDMA) technique, N is the maximum number of co-frequency simultaneously transmitting earth stations in the same satellite receiving beam.

(2) In all other directions, the off-axis EIRP spectral density for co-polarized signals emitted from the ESV shall not exceed the following values:

$$18 - 25\log(\theta) - 10\log(N) \text{ dBW/4kHz for } 1.25^\circ \leq \theta \leq 48^\circ$$

$$-24 - 10\log(N) \text{ dBW/4kHz for } 48^\circ < \theta \leq 180^\circ$$

where θ and N are defined as set forth in paragraph (a)(1) of this section.

(3) For $\theta > 7^\circ$, the values given in paragraphs (a)(1) of this section may be exceeded by no more than 10% of the sidelobes, provided no individual sidelobe exceeds the criteria given by more than 3 dB.

(4) In all directions, the off-axis EIRP spectral density for cross-polarized signals emitted from the ESV shall not exceed the following values:

$$5 - 25\log(\theta) - 10\log(N) \text{ dBW/4kHz for } 1.8^\circ \leq \theta \leq 7^\circ$$

$$-16 - 10\log(N) \text{ dBW/4kHz for } 7^\circ \leq \theta \leq 9.2^\circ$$

where θ and N are defined as set forth in paragraph (a)(1) of this section.

(5) For non-circular ESV antennas, the major axis of the antenna will be aligned with the tangent to the geostationary satellite orbital arc at the target satellite point, to the extent required to meet specified off-axis e.i.r.p. criteria.

(6) A pointing error of less than 0.2° , between the orbital location of the target satellite and the axis of the main lobe of the ESV antenna.

(7) All emissions from the ESV shall automatically cease within 100 milliseconds if the angle between the orbital location of the target satellite and the axis of the main lobe of the ESV antenna exceeds 0.5° , and transmission will not resume until such angle is less than 0.2° .

(8) There shall be a point of contact in the United States, with phone number and address included with the application, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, with authority and ability to cease all emissions from the ESVs, either directly or through the facilities of a U.S. Hub or a Hub located in another country with which the U.S. has a bilateral agreement that enables such cessation of emissions.

(9) ESVs that exceed the radiation guidelines of §1.1310 of this chapter, Radiofrequency radiation exposure

limits, must provide, with their environmental assessment, a plan for mitigation of radiation exposure to the extent required to meet those guidelines.

(10) There shall be an exhibit included with the application describing the geographic area(s) in which the ESVs will operate.

(b) Applications for ESV operation in the 14.0-14.5 GHz (Earth-to-space) to geostationary satellites in the fixed-satellite service must include, in addition to the particulars of operation identified on Form 312 and associated Schedule B, the following data for each earth station antenna type:

(1) A series of e.i.r.p. density charts or tables, calculated for a production earth station antenna, based on measurements taken on a calibrated antenna range at 14.25 GHz, with the off-axis e.i.r.p. envelope set forth in paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(4) of this section superimposed, as follows:

(i) Showing off-axis co-polarized e.i.r.p. spectral density in the azimuth plane, for off-axis angles from minus 10° to plus 10° and from minus 180° to plus 180°.

(ii) Showing off-axis co-polarized e.i.r.p. spectral density in the elevation plane, at off-axis angles from 0° to plus 30°.

(iii) Showing off-axis cross-polarized e.i.r.p. spectral density in the azimuth plane, at off-axis angles from minus 10° to plus 10°.

(iv) Showing off-axis cross-polarized e.i.r.p. spectral density in the elevation plane, at off-axis angles from minus 10° to plus 10°; or

(2) A series of gain charts or tables, for a production earth station antenna, measured on a calibrated antenna range at 14.25 GHz, with the Earth station antenna gain envelope set forth in § 25.209(a) and (b) superimposed, for the same planes and ranges enumerated in paragraphs (b)(1)(i) through (b)(1)(iv) of this section, that, combined with input power density entered in Schedule B, demonstrates that off-axis e.i.r.p. spectral density envelope set forth in paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(4) of this section will be met; or

(3) A certification that the ESV antenna conforms to the gain pattern criteria of § 25.209(a) and (b), that, combined with input power density entered

in Schedule B, demonstrates that the off-axis e.i.r.p. spectral density envelope set forth in paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(4) of this section will be met.

(c) ESVs receiving in the 10.95-11.2 GHz (space-to-Earth), 11.45-11.7 GHz (space-to-Earth), 11.7-12.2 GHz (space-to-Earth) frequency bands, and transmitting in the 14.0-14.5 GHz (Earth-to-space) frequency band shall operate with the following provisions:

(1) For each ESV transmitter a record of the ship location (*i.e.*, latitude/longitude), transmit frequency, channel bandwidth and satellite used shall be time annotated and maintained for a period of not less than 1 year. Records will be recorded at time intervals no greater than every 20 minutes while the ESV is transmitting. The ESV operator will make this data available upon request to a coordinator, fixed system operator, fixed-satellite system operator, NTIA, or the Commission within 24 hours of the request.

(2) ESV operators communicating with vessels of foreign registry must maintain detailed information on each vessel's country of registry and a point of contact for the relevant administration responsible for licensing ESVs.

(3) ESV operators shall control all ESVs by a Hub earth station located in the United States, except that an ESV on U.S.-registered vessels may operate under control of a Hub earth station location outside the United States provided the ESV operator maintains a point of contact within the United States that will have the capability and authority to cause an ESV on a U.S.-registered vessel to cease transmitting if necessary.

(d) Operations of ESVs in the 14.0-14.2 GHz (Earth-to-space) frequency band within 125 km of the NASA TDRSS facilities on Guam (located at latitude: 13° 36' 55" N, longitude 144° 51' 22" E) or White Sands, New Mexico (latitude: 32° 20' 59" N, longitude 106° 36' 31" W and latitude: 32° 32' 40" N, longitude 106° 36' 48" W) are subject to coordination through the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee (IRAC). When NTIA seeks to provide similar protection to

future TDRSS sites that have been coordinated through the IRAC Frequency Assignment Subcommittee process, NTIA will notify the Commission that the site is nearing operational status. Upon public notice from the Commission, all Ku-band ESV operators must cease operations in the 14.0–14.2 GHz band within 125 km of the new TDRSS site until after NTIA/IRAC coordination for the new TDRSS facility is complete. ESV operations will then again be permitted to operate in the 14.0–14.2 GHz band within 125 km of the new TDRSS site, subject to any operational constraints developed in the coordination process.

(e) Operations of ESVs in the 14.47–14.5 GHz (Earth-to-space) frequency band within a) 45 km of the radio observatory on St. Croix, Virgin Islands (latitude 17° 46' N, longitude 64° 35' W); b) 125 km of the radio observatory on Mauna Kea, Hawaii (at latitude 19° 48' N, longitude 155° 28' W); and c) 90 km of the Arecibo Observatory on Puerto Rico (latitude 18° 20' 46" W, longitude 66° 45' 11" N) are subject to coordination through the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee (IRAC).

(f) In the 10.95–11.2 GHz (space-to-Earth) and 11.45–11.7 GHz (space-to-Earth) frequency bands ESVs shall not claim protection from interference from any authorized terrestrial stations to which frequencies are either already assigned, or may be assigned in the future.

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§§ 25.223–25.249 [Reserved]

§ 25.250 Sharing between NGSO MSS Feeder links Earth Stations in the 19.3–19.7 GHz and 29.1–29.5 GHz Bands.

(a) NGSO MSS applicants shall be licensed to operate in the 29.1–29.5 GHz band for Earth-to-space transmissions and 19.3–19.7 GHz for space-to-Earth transmissions from feeder link earth station complexes. A “feeder link earth station complex” may include up to three (3) earth station groups, with each earth station group having up to four (4) antennas, located within a ra-

dius of 75 km of a given set of geographic coordinates provided by NGSO-MSS licensees or applicants.

(b) Licensees of NGSO MSS feeder link earth stations separated by 800 km or less are required to coordinate their operations, see § 25.203. The results of the coordination shall be reported to the Commission.

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§ 25.251 Special requirements for coordination.

(a) The administrative aspects of the coordination process are set forth in § 101.103 of this chapter in the case of coordination of terrestrial stations with earth stations, and in § 25.203 in the case of coordination of earth stations with terrestrial stations.

(b) The technical aspects of coordination are based on Appendix S7 of the International Telecommunication Union Radio Regulations and certain recommendations of the ITU Radiocommunication Sector (available at the FCC’s Reference Information Center, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554).

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§ 25.252 Special requirements for ancillary terrestrial components operating in the 2000–2020 MHz/2180–2200 MHz bands.

(a) Applicants for an ancillary terrestrial component in these bands must demonstrate that ATC base stations shall not:

(1) Exceed an EIRP of –100.6 dBW/4 kHz for out-of-channel emissions at the edge of the MSS licensee’s selected assignment.

(2) Exceed a peak EIRP of 27 dBW in 1.23 MHz.

(3) Exceed an EIRP toward the physical horizon (not to include man-made structures) of 25.5 dBW in 1.23 MHz.

(4) Be located less than 190 meters from all airport runways and aircraft stand areas, including takeoff and landing paths.

(5) Exceed an aggregate power flux density of –51.8 dBW/m² in a 1.23 MHz bandwidth at all airport runways and aircraft stand areas, including takeoff and landing paths and all ATC base