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exceed an EIRP towards the horizon of 16.3 dBW.

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§ 25.205 Minimum angle of antenna elevation.

(a) Earth station antennas shall not normally be authorized for transmission at angles less than 5° measured from the horizontal plane to the direction of maximum radiation. However, upon a showing that the transmission path will be seaward and away from land masses or upon special showing of need for lower angles by the applicant, the Commission will consider authorizing transmissions at angles between 3° and 5° in the pertinent directions. In certain instances, it may be necessary to specify minimum angles greater than 5° because of interference considerations.

(b) ESVs making a special showing requesting angles of elevation less than 5° measured from the horizontal plane to the direction of maximum radiation pursuant to (a) of this section must still meet the effective isotropically radiated power (e.i.r.p.) and e.i.r.p. density towards the horizon limits contained in § 25.204(h) and (i).

(c) VMESs making a special showing requesting angles of elevation less than 5° measured from the horizontal plane to the direction of maximum radiation pursuant to (a) of this section must still meet the EIRP and EIRP density towards the horizon limits contained in § 25.204(j).

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§ 25.206 Station identification.

The requirement for transmission of station identification is waived for all radio stations licensed under this part with the exception of satellite uplinks carrying broadband video information which are required to incorporate ATIS in accordance with the provisions set forth under § 25.308 of these rules.

[55 FR 21551, May 25, 1990]

§ 25.207 Cessation of emissions.

Space stations shall be made capable of ceasing radio emissions by the use of appropriate devices (battery life, timing devices, ground command, etc.) that will ensure definite cessation of emissions.

§ 25.208 Power flux density limits.

(a) In the band 3650–4200 MHz, the power flux density at the Earth's surface produced by emissions from a space station for all conditions and for all methods of modulation shall not exceed the following values:

- 152 dB(W/m²) in any 4 kHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane;
- 152+(δ –5)/2 dB(W/m²) in any 4 kHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane; and
- 142 dB(W/m²) in any 4 kHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane

These limits relate to the power flux density which would be obtained under assumed free-space propagation conditions.

(b) In the bands 10.95–11.2 and 11.45–11.7 GHz for GSO FSS space stations and 10.7–11.7 GHz for NGSO FSS space stations, the power flux-density at the Earth's surface produced by emissions from a space station for all conditions and for all methods of modulation shall not exceed the lower of the following values:

(1) –150 dB(W/m²) in any 4 kHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane; –150 + (δ –5)/2 dB(W/m²) in any 4 kHz band for angles of arrival (δ) (in degrees) between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane; and –140 dB(W/m²) in any 4 kHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane; or

(2) –126 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane; –126 + (δ –5)/2 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival (δ) (in degrees) between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane; and –116 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane.

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NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (b): These limits relate to the power flux density, which would be obtained under assumed free-space propagation conditions.

(c) In the 17.7–17.8 GHz, 18.3–18.8 GHz, 19.3–19.7 GHz, 22.55–23.00 GHz, 23.00–23.55 GHz, and 24.45–24.75 GHz frequency bands, the power flux density at the Earth’s surface produced by emissions from a space station for all conditions for all methods of modulation shall not exceed the following values:

(1) –115 dB (W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane.

(2) –115 + 0.5 (δ-5) dB (W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane.

- 115 – X dB(W/m²+MHz) for 0° ≤ δ < 5°
- 115 – X + ((10+X)/20)(δ – 5)dB(W/m²+MHz) for 5° ≤ δ < 25°
- 105 dB(W/m²+MHz) for 25° ≤ δ < 90°

Where:

δ: is the angle of arrival above the horizontal plane; and

X is defined as a function of the number of satellites in the non-GSO FSS constellation, n, as follows:

- for n ≤ 50 X = 0 (dB)
- for 50 < n ≤ 288 X = (5/119) (n – 50) (dB)
- for n > 288 X = (1/69) (n + 402) (dB)

(f) [Reserved]

(g) In the frequency bands 10.7–11.7 GHz and 11.7–12.2 GHz, the single-entry

(3) –105 dB (W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane.

(d) In addition to the limits specified in paragraph (c) of this section, the power flux-density across the 200 MHz band 18.6–18.8 GHz produced at the Earth’s surface by emissions from a space station under assumed free-space propagation conditions shall not exceed –95 dB (W/m²) for all angles of arrival. This limit may be exceeded by up to 3 dB for no more than 5% of the time.

(e) In the 18.8–19.3 GHz frequency band, the power flux-density at the Earth’s surface produced by emissions from a space station for all conditions and for all methods of modulation shall not exceed the following values:

equivalent power-flux density in the space-to-Earth direction (EPFD_{down}), at any point on the Earth’s surface, produced by emissions from all co-frequency space stations of a single non-geostationary-satellite orbit (NGSO) system operating in the fixed-satellite service (FSS) shall not exceed the following limits for the given percentages of time. Tables 1G and 2G follow:

TABLE 1G—SINGLE-ENTRY EPFD_{down} LIMITS FOR PROTECTION OF 0.6, 1.2, 3 AND 10 METER GSO FSS EARTH STATION ANTENNAS^{1,2}

Frequency band (GHz) for International Allocations	Single-entry EPFD _{down} dB(W/m ²)	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{down} level may not be exceeded	Reference bandwidth (kHz)	Reference antenna diameter and reference radiation pattern ³
10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3.	–175.4	0	40	60 cm, Recommendation ITU-R S.1428.
	–174	90		
	–170.8	99		
	–165.3	99.73		
	–160.4	99.991		
	–160	99.997		
	–160	100		

TABLE 1G—SINGLE-ENTRY EPFD_{down} LIMITS FOR PROTECTION OF 0.6, 1.2, 3 AND 10 METER GSO FSS EARTH STATION ANTENNAS^{1,2}—Continued

Frequency band (GHz) for International Allocations	Single-entry EPFD _{down} dB(W/m ²)	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{down} level may not be exceeded	Reference bandwidth (kHz)	Reference antenna diameter and reference radiation pattern ³
10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3.	–181.9	0	40	1.2 m, Recommendation ITU-R S.1428.
	–178.4	99.5		
	–173.4	99.74		
	–173	99.857		
	–164	99.954		
	–161.6	99.984		
	–161.4	99.991		
	–160.8	99.997		
	–160.5	99.997		
	–160	99.9993		
–160	100			
10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3.	–190.45	0	40	3 m, Recommendation ITU-R S.1428.
	–189.45	90		
	–187.45	99.5		
	–182.4	99.7		
	–182	99.855		
	–168	99.971		
	–164	99.988		
	–162	99.995		
	–160	99.999		
	–160	100		
10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3.	–195.45	0	40	10 m, Recommendation ITU-R S.1428.
	–195.45	99		
	–190	99.65		
	–190	99.71		
	–172.5	99.99		
	–160	99.998		
	–160	100		

¹In addition to the limits shown in Table 1G, the limits shown in Table 2G shall apply to all antenna sizes greater than 60 cm in the frequency bands listed in Table 1G.
²For each reference antenna diameter, the limit consists of the complete curve on a plot which is linear in decibels for the EPFD levels and logarithmic for the time percentages, with straight lines joining the data points.
³The earth station antenna reference radiation patterns are to be used only for the calculation of interference from NGSO FSS systems into GSO FSS systems.

TABLE 2G—SINGLE-ENTRY EPFD_{down} LIMITS RADIATED BY NON-GSO FSS SYSTEMS AT CERTAIN LATITUDES

100% of the time EPFD _{down} dB(W/(m ² /40 kHz))	Latitude (North or South in degrees)
–160	0 < Latitude ≤ 57.5.
–160 + 3.4 (57.5 – Latitude)/4	57.5 < Latitude ≤ 63.75
–165.3	63.75 ≤ Latitude

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (g): These limits relate to the equivalent power flux density, which would be obtained under free-space propagation conditions, for all conditions and for all methods of modulation.

(h) In the frequency bands 10.7–11.7 GHz and 11.7–12.2 GHz, the aggregate equivalent power-flux density in the space-to-Earth direction (EPFD_{down}), at

any point on the Earth’s surface, produced by emissions from all co-frequency space stations of all non-geostationary-satellite orbit systems operating in the fixed-satellite service (FSS) shall not exceed the following limits for the given percentages of time. Tables 1H and 2H follow:

TABLE 1H—AGGREGATE EPFD_{down} LIMITS FOR PROTECTION OF 0.6, 1.2, 3 AND 10 METER GSO FSS EARTH STATION ANTENNAS¹

Frequency band (GHz) for International Allocations	Aggregate EPFD _{down} dB(W/m ²)	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{down} may not be exceeded	Reference bandwidth (kHz)	Reference antenna diameter and reference radiation pattern ²
10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3.	–170 –168.6 –165.3 –160.4 –160 –160	0 90 99 99.97 99.99 100	40	60 cm, Recommendation ITU-R S.1428.
10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3.	–176.5 –173 –164 –161.6 –164.4 –160.8 –160.5 –160 –160	0 99.5 99.84 99.945 99.97 99.99 99.99 99.9975 100	40	1.2 m, Recommendation ITU-R S.1428.
10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3.	–185 –184 –182 –168 –164 –162 –160 –160	0 90 99.5 99.9 99.96 99.982 99.997 100	40	3 m, Recommendation ITU-R S.1428.
10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3.	–190 –190 –166 –160 –160	0 99 99.99 99.998 100	40	10 m, Recommendation ITU-R S.1428.

¹In addition to the limits shown in Table 1H, the aggregate EPFD_{down} limits shown in Table 2H shall apply to all antenna sizes greater than 60 cm in the frequency bands listed in Table 1H.

²The earth station antenna reference patterns are to be used only for the calculation of interference from NGSO FSS systems into GSO FSS systems.

TABLE 2H—SINGLE-ENTRY EPFD_{down} LIMITS RADIATED BY NON-GSO FSS SYSTEMS AT CERTAIN LATITUDES

100% of the time EPFD _{down} dB(W/(m ² /40 kHz))	Latitude (North or South in degrees)
–160	0 < Latitude ≤ 57.5
–160 + 3.4 (57.5 – Latitude)/4	57.5 < Latitude ≤ 63.75
–165.3	63.75 ≤ Latitude

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (h): These limits relate to the equivalent power flux density, which would be obtained under free-space propagation conditions, for all conditions and for all methods of modulation.

(i) In the frequency bands 10.7–11.7 GHz and 11.7–12.2 GHz, the additional operational equivalent power-flux density, in the space-to-Earth direction,

(additional operational EPFD_{down}) at any point on the Earth’s surface, produced by actual operational emissions from all co-frequency space stations of a non-geostationary-satellite orbit (NGSO) system operating in the fixed-satellite service (FSS) shall not exceed the following operational limits for the given percentages of time:

ADDITIONAL OPERATIONAL LIMITS ON THE EPFD_{down} RADIATED BY NON-GSO FSS SYSTEMS INTO 3 M AND 10 M GSO FSS EARTH STATION ANTENNAS

EPFD _{down} dB(W/(m ² /40 kHz))	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{down} may not be exceeded	Receive GSO earth station antenna diameter (m)	
-182	99.9	3.	
-179	99.94		
-176	99.97		
-171	99.98		
-168	99.984		
-165	99.993		
-163	99.999		
-161.25	99.99975		
-161.25	100		10.
-185	99.97		
-183	99.98		
-179	99.99		
-175	99.996		
-171	99.998		
-168	99.999		
-166	99.9998		
-166	100		

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (i): These limits relate to the equivalent power flux density, which is obtained under free-space propagation conditions, for all conditions and for all methods of modulation.

(j) In the frequency bands 10.7–11.7 GHz and 11.7–12.2 GHz, the operational equivalent power-flux density, in the space-to-Earth direction, (operational

EPFD_{down}) at any point on the Earth's surface, produced by actual operational emissions from the in-line co-frequency space station of a non-geostationary-satellite orbit (NGSO) system operating in the fixed-satellite service (FSS) shall not exceed the following operational limits for 100% of the time:

OPERATIONAL LIMITS TO THE EPFD_{down} RADIATED BY NON-GSO FSS SYSTEMS IN CERTAIN FREQUENCY BANDS¹

Frequency band (GHz) for international allocations	EPFD _{down} dB(W/m ²)	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{down} may not be exceeded	Reference bandwidth (kHz)	Receive GSO earth station antenna diameter ² (m)	Orbital inclination of GSO satellite (degrees)
Prior to 31 December 2005: 10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Regions 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3	-163	3			
	-166	6			
	-167.5	9			
	-169.5	≥18			
	100	≤2.5			
	40				
Prior to 31 December 2005: 10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3	-160	3			
	-163	6			
	-164.5	9			
	-166.5	≥18			
	100	>2.5 and			
	40	≤4.5			

OPERATIONAL LIMITS TO THE EPFD_{down} RADIATED BY NON-GSO FSS SYSTEMS IN CERTAIN FREQUENCY BANDS¹—Continued

Frequency band (GHz) for International allocations	EPFD _{down} dB(W/m ²)	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{down} may not be exceeded	Reference bandwidth (kHz)	Receive GSO earth station antenna diameter ² (m)	Orbital inclination of GSO satellite (degrees)
From 31 December 2005: 10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3	– 161.25 – 164 – 165.5 – 167.5 100 40	3 6 9 ≥18 ≤2.5			
From 31 December 2005: 10.7–11.7 in all Regions; 11.7–12.2 in Region 2; 12.2–12.5 in Region 3; and 12.5–12.75 in Regions 1 and 3	– 158.25 – 161 – 162.5 – 164.5 100 40	3 6 9 ≥18 >2.5 and ≤4.5			

¹The operational limits on the EPFD_{down} radiated by non-GSO FSS systems shall be the values given in Table 2G or this table, whichever are the more stringent.
²For antenna diameters between the values given in this table, the limits are given by linear interpolation using a linear scale for EPFD_{down} in decibels and a logarithmic scale for antenna diameter in meters.

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (j): These limits relate to the operational equivalent power flux-density which would be obtained under free-space propagation conditions, for all conditions, for all methods of modulation and for the specified inclined GSO FSS operations.

(k) In the frequency bands 12.75–13.15 GHz, 13.2125–13.25 GHz and 13.75–14.5 GHz, the equivalent power flux-density, in the Earth-to-space direction,

(EPFD_{up}) produced at any point on the geostationary satellite orbit (GSO) by the emissions from all co-frequency earth stations in a non-geostationary satellite orbit fixed-satellite service (NGSO FSS) system, for all conditions and for all methods of modulation, shall not exceed the following limits for the specified percentages of time limits:

LIMITS TO THE EPFD_{up} RADIATED BY NGSO FSS SYSTEMS IN CERTAIN FREQUENCY BANDS

Frequency band (GHz) for International Allocations	EPFD _{up} dB(W/m ²)	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{up} may not be exceeded	Reference bandwidth (kHz)	Reference antenna beam-width and reference radiation pattern ¹
12.5–12.75; 12.75–13.25; 13.75–14.5	– 160	100	40	4° ITU-R S.672–4, L _s = – 20

¹For the case of L_s = – 10, the values a = 1.83 and b = 6.32 should be used in the equations in the Annex of Recommendation ITU-R S.672–4 for single-feed circular beams. In all cases of L_s, the parabolic main beam equation should start at zero.

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (k): These limits relate to the uplink equivalent power flux density, which would be obtained under free-space propagation conditions, for all conditions and for all methods of modulation.

(l) In the frequency bands 11.7–12.2 GHz and 12.5–12.75 GHz in Region 3, 11.7–12.5 GHz in Region 1 and 12.2–12.7 GHz in Region 2, the single-entry

equivalent power-flux density, in the space-to-Earth direction, (EPFD_{down}), at any point on the Earth's surface, produced by emissions from all co-frequency space stations of a single non-geostationary-satellite orbit (NGSO) system operating in the fixed-satellite

service (FSS) shall not exceed the following limits in Tables 1L and 2L for the given percentages of time:

TABLE 1L—SINGLE-ENTRY EPFD DOWN LIMITS FOR PROTECTION OF 30, 45, 60, 90, 120, 180, 240 AND 300 CM GSO BSS EARTH STATION ANTENNAS ^{1,2,3,5}

Frequency band (GHz) for international allocations	EPDF _{down} dB(W/m ²)	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{down} level may not be exceeded	Reference bandwidth (kHz)	Reference antenna diameter and reference radiation pattern ⁴
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 1.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	-165.841	0	40	30 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1
	-165.541	25		
	-164.041	96		
	-158.6	98.857		
	-158.6	99.429		
	-158.33	99.429		
	-158.33	99.429		
		100		
		100		
		100		
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 1.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	-175.441	0	40	45 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1
	-172.441	66		
	-169.441	97.75		
	-164	99.357		
	-160.75	99.809		
	-160	99.986		
	-160	100		
	-160	100		
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 1.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	-176.441	0	40	60 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO. 1443 Annex 1
	-173.191	97.8		
	-167.75	99.371		
	-162	99.886		
	-161	99.943		
	-160.2	99.971		
	-160	99.997		
	-160	100		
	-160	100		
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 1.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	-178.94	0	40	90 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1
	-178.44	33		
	-176.44	98		
	-171	99.429		
	-165.5	99.714		
	-163	99.857		
	-161	99.943		
	-160	99.991		
	-160	100		
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 1.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	-182.44	0	40	120 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1
	-180.69	90		
	-179.19	98.9		
	-178.44	98.9		
	-174.94	99.5		
	-173.75	99.68		
	-173	99.68		
	-169.5	99.85		
	-167.8	99.915		
	-164	99.94		
	-161.9	99.97		
	-161	99.99		
	-160.4	99.998		
	-160	100		
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 1.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	-184.941	0	40	180 cm ³ Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1
	-184.101	33		
	-181.691	98.5		
	-176.25	99.571		
	-163.25	99.946		
	-161.5	99.974		
	-160.35	99.993		
	-160	99.999		
	-160	100		
	-160	100		
	-160	100		

TABLE 1L—SINGLE-ENTRY EPFD DOWN LIMITS FOR PROTECTION OF 30, 45, 60, 90, 120, 180, 240 AND 300 CM GSO BSS EARTH STATION ANTENNAS ^{1,2,3,5}—Continued

Frequency band (GHz) for international allocations	EPFD _{down} dB(W/m ²)	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{down} level may not be exceeded	Reference bandwidth (kHz)	Reference antenna diameter and reference radiation pattern ⁴
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 1.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	–187.441	0	40	240 cm ² Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1
	–186.341	33		
	–183.441	99.25		
	–178	99.786		
	–161.4	99.957		
	–161.9	99.983		
	–160.5	99.994		
	–160	99.999		
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 1.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	–191.941	0	40	300 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1
	–189.441	33		
	–185.941	99.5		
	–180.5	99.857		
	–173	99.914		
	–167	99.951		
	–162	99.983		
	–160	99.991		
–160	100			

¹For BSS antenna diameters 180 cm, 240 cm and 300 cm, in addition to the single-entry limits shown in Table 1L, the limits in Table 2L shall also apply in the frequency band listed in Table 1L.
²For 240 cm GSO BSS earth station antennas located in Alaska, communicating with GSO BSS satellites at the 91° W.L., 101° W.L., 110° W.L., 119° W.L. and 148° W.L. nominal orbital locations with elevation angles greater than 5°, –167 dB(W/(m²/40 kHz)) single-entry 100% of the time operational EPFD_{down} limit also applies to receive antennas.
³For 180 cm GSO BSS earth station antennas located in Hawaii communicating with GSO BSS satellites that are operational as of December 30, 1999 at the 110° W.L., 119° W.L. and 148° W.L. nominal orbital positions, –162.5 dB(W/(m²/40 kHz)) single-entry 100% of the time operational EPFD_{down} limit also applies.
⁴Under the section reference pattern of Annex 1 to Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 shall be used only for the calculation of interference from non-GSO FSS systems into BSS systems.
⁵For each reference antenna diameter, the limit consists of the complete curve on a plot which is linear in decibels for the EPFD levels and logarithmic for the time percentages, with straight line joining the data points.

TABLE 2L—SINGLE-ENTRY EPFD_{down} LIMITS RADIATED BY NON-GSO FSS SYSTEMS AT CERTAIN LATITUDES

100% of the time EPFD _{down} dB(W/(m ² /40 kHz))	Latitude (North or South in degrees)
–160.0	0 ≤ Latitude ≤ 57.5
–160.0 + 3.4 (57.5 – Latitude)/4	57.5 ≤ Latitude ≤ 63.75
–165.3	63.75 ≤ Latitude

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (1): These limits relate to the equivalent power flux density, which would be obtained under free-space propagation conditions, for all conditions and for all methods of modulation.

(m) In the frequency bands 11.7–12.2 GHz and 12.5–12.75 GHz in Region 3, 11.7–12.5 GHz in Region 1 and 12.2–12.7 GHz in Region 2, the aggregate equivalent power-flux density, in the space-

to-Earth direction, (EPFD_{down}) at any point on the Earth’s surface, produced by emissions from all co-frequency space stations of all non-geostationary-satellite orbit systems operating in the fixed-satellite service (FSS) shall not exceed the following limits in Tables 1M and 2M for the given percentages of time:

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TABLE 1M—AGGREGATE EPFD_{down} LIMITS FOR PROTECTION OF 30, 45, 60, 90, 120, 180, 240 AND 300 CM GSO BSS EARTH STATION ANTENNAS^{1,2,3,5}

Frequency band (GHz) for international allocations	EPFD _{down} dB (W/m ²)	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{down} level may not be exceeded	Reference bandwidth (kHz)	Reference antenna diameter, and reference radiation pattern ⁴
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 11.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	–160.4 –160.1 –158.6 –158.6 –158.33 –158.33	0 25 96 98 98 100	40	30 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1.
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 11.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	–170 –167 –164 –160.75 –160 –160	0 66 97.75 99.33 99.95 100	40	45 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1.
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 11.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	–171 –168.75 –167.75 –162 –161 –160.2 –160 –160	0 90 97.8 99.6 99.8 99.9 99.99 100	40	60 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1.
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 11.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	–173.75 –173 –171 –165.5 –163 –161 –160 –160	0 33 98 99.1 99.5 99.8 99.97 100	40	90 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1.
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 11.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	–177 –175.25 –173.75 –173 –169.5 –167.8 –164 –161.9 –161 –160.4 –160	0 90 98.9 98.9 99.5 99.7 99.82 99.9 99.965 99.993 100	40	120 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1.
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 11.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	–179.5 –178.66 –176.25 –163.25 –161.5 –160.35 –160 –160	0 33 98.5 99.81 99.91 99.975 99.995 100	40	180 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1.
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 11.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	–182 –180.9 –178 –164.4 –161.9 –160.5 –160 –160	0 33 99.25 99.85 99.94 99.98 99.995 100	40	240 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1.

TABLE 1M—AGGREGATE EPFD_{down} LIMITS FOR PROTECTION OF 30, 45, 60, 90, 120, 180, 240 AND 300 CM GSO BSS EARTH STATION ANTENNAS^{1,2,3,5}—Continued

Frequency band (GHz) for international allocations	EPFD _{down} dB (W/m ²)	Percentage of time during which EPFD _{down} level may not be exceeded	Reference bandwidth (kHz)	Reference antenna diameter, and reference radiation pattern ⁴
11.7–12.5 in Region 1; 11.7–12.2 and 12.5–12.75 in Region 3; 12.2–12.7 in Region 2.	–186.5 –184 –180.5 –173 –167 –162 –160 –160	0 33 99.5 99.7 99.83 99.94 99.97 100	40	300 cm Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 Annex 1.

¹ For BSS antenna diameters 180 cm, 240 cm and 300 cm, in addition to the aggregate limit shown in Table 1M, the limits in Table 2M shall also apply.
² For 240 cm GSO BSS earth station antennas located in Alaska, communicating with GSO BSS satellites at the 91° W.L., 101° W.L., 110° W.L., 119° W.L. and 148° W.L. nominal orbital locations with elevation angles greater than 5°, –167 dB(W/(m²/40 kHz)) aggregate 100% of the time operational EPFD_{down} limit also applies to receive antennas.
³ For 180 cm GSO BSS earth station antennas located in Hawaii communicating with GSO BSS satellites that are operational as of December 30, 1999 at the 110° W.L., 119° W.L. and 148° W.L. nominal orbital positions, –162.5 dB(W/(m²/40 kHz)) aggregate 100% of the time operational EPFD_{down} limit also applies.
⁴ Under the section reference pattern of Annex 1 to Recommendation ITU-R BO.1443 shall be used only for the calculation of interference from non-GSO FSS systems into GSO BSS systems.
⁵ For each reference antenna diameter, the limit consists of the complete curve on a plot which is linear in decibels for the EPFD levels and logarithmic for the time percentages, with straight line joining the data points.

TABLE 2M—AGGREGATE EPFD_{down} LIMITS RADIATED BY NON-GSO FSS SYSTEMS AT CERTAIN LATITUDES

00% of the time EPFD _{down} dB(W/(m ² /40 kHz))	Latitude (North or South in degrees)
160.0	0 ≤ Latitude ≤ 57.5.
160.0 + 3.4 (57.5 – Latitude)/4	57.5 ≤ Latitude ≤ 63.75.
165.3	63.75 ≤ Latitude .

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (m): These limits relate to the equivalent power flux density, which would be obtained under free-space propagation conditions, for all conditions and for all methods of modulation.

(n) The power-flux density at the Earth’s surface produced by emissions from a space station in the fixed-sat-

ellite service (space-to-Earth), for all conditions and for all methods of modulation, shall not exceed the limits given in Table N. These limits relate to the power flux-density which would be obtained under assumed free-space conditions.

TABLE N—LIMITS OF POWER-FLUX DENSITY FROM SPACE STATIONS IN THE BAND 6700–7075 MHz

Frequency band	Limit in dB (W/m ²) for angle of arrival (δ) above the horizontal plane			Reference bandwidth
	0°–5°	5°–25°	25°–90°	
6700–6825 MHz	–137	–137 + 0.5(δ – 5)	–127	1 MHz.
6825–7075 MHz	–154 and –134	–154 + 0.5(δ – 5) and –134 + 0.5(δ – 5)	–144 and –124	4 kHz. 1 MHz.

(o) In the band 12.2–12.7 GHz, for NGSO FSS space stations, the specified low-angle power flux-density at the Earth’s surface produced by emissions from a space station shall not be exceeded into an operational MVDDS receiver:

- (1) –158 dB(W/m²) in any 4 kHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 2 degrees above the horizontal plane; and
- (2) –158 + 3.33(δ – 2) dB(W/m²) in any 4 kHz band for angles of arrival (δ) (in degrees) between 2 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane.

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (o): These limits relate to the power flux density, which would be obtained under assumed free-space propagation conditions.

(p) The power flux-density at the Earth's surface produced by emissions from a space station in either the Earth exploration-satellite service in the band 25.5–27 GHz or the inter-satellite service in the band 25.25–27.5 GHz for all conditions and for all methods of modulation shall not exceed the following values:

– 115 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane;

– 115 + 0.5(–5) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane;

– 105 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane.

These limits relate to the power flux-density which would be obtained under assumed free-space propagation conditions.

(q) In the band 37.5–40.0 GHz, the power flux-density at the Earth's surface produced by emissions from a geostationary space station for all methods of modulation shall not exceed the following values.

(1) This limit relates to the power flux-density which would be obtained under assumed free space conditions (that is, when no allowance is made for propagation impairments such as rain-fade):

– 139 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane;

– 139 + 4/3 (δ–5) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 5 and 20 degrees above the horizontal plane; and

– 119 + 0.4 (δ–20) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 20 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane;

– 117 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane;

(2) This limit relates to the maximum power flux-density which would be obtained anywhere on the surface of the Earth during periods when FSS system raises power to compensate for

rain-fade conditions at the FSS Earth station:

– 127 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane;

– 127 + 4/3 (δ–5) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 5 and 20 degrees above the horizontal plane; and

– 107 + 0.4 (δ–20) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 20 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane;

– 105 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane.

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (q): The conditions under which satellites may exceed the power flux-density limits for normal free space propagation described in paragraph (p)(1) to compensate for the effects of rain fading are under study and have therefore not yet been defined. Such conditions and the extent to which these limits can be exceeded will be the subject of a further rulemaking by the Commission on the satellite service rules.

(r) In the band 37.5–40.0 GHz, the power flux-density at the Earth's surface produced by emissions from a non-geostationary space station for all methods of modulation shall not exceed the following values:

(1) This limit relates to the power flux-density which would be obtained under assumed free space conditions (that is, when no allowance is made for propagation impairments such as rain-fade):

– 132 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane;

– 132 + 0.75 (δ–5) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane; and

– 117 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane;

(2) This limit relates to the maximum power flux-density which would be obtained anywhere on the surface of the Earth during periods when FSS system raises power to compensate for rain-fade conditions at the FSS Earth station:

– 120 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane;

–120 + 0.75 ($\delta - 5$) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane; and

–105 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane.

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (r): The conditions under which satellites may exceed these power flux-density limits for normal free space propagation described in paragraph (q)(1) to compensate for the effects of rain fading are under study and have therefore not yet been defined. Such conditions and the extent to which these limits can be exceeded will be the subject of a further rule-making by the Commission on the satellite service rules.

(s) In the band 40.04–0.5 GHz, the power flux-density at the Earth's surface produced by emissions from a space station for all conditions and for all methods of modulation shall not exceed the following values:

–115 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane;

–115 + 0.5 ($\delta - 5$) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane; and

–105 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane;

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (s): These limits relate to the power flux-density that would be obtained under assumed free-space propagation conditions.

(t) In the band 40.5–42.0 GHz, the power flux density at the Earth's surface produced by emissions from a non-geostationary space station for all conditions and for all methods of modulation shall not exceed the following values:

–115 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane;

–115 + 0.5 ($\delta - 5$) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane; and

–105 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane;

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (t): These limits relate to the power flux density that would be obtained under assumed free-space propagation conditions.

(u) In the band 40.5–42.0 GHz, the power flux-density at the Earth's surface produced by emissions from a geostationary space station for all conditions and for all methods of modulation shall not exceed the following values:

–120 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane;

–120 + ($\delta - 5$) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 5 and 15 degrees above the horizontal plane;

–110 + 0.5 ($\delta - 15$) dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival δ (in degrees) between 15 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane; and

–105 dB(W/m²) in any 1 MHz band for angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane;

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (u): These limits relate to the power flux-density that would be obtained under assumed free-space propagation conditions.

(v) In the band 2496–2500 MHz, the power flux-density at the Earth's surface produced by emissions from non-geostationary space stations for all conditions and all methods of modulation shall not exceed the following values (these values are obtained under assumed free-space propagation conditions):

(1) –144 dB (W/m²) in 4 kHz for all angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane; –144 dB (W/m²) + 0.65($\delta - 5$) in 4 kHz for all angles of arrival between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane; and

–131 dB (W/m²) in 4 kHz and for all angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane.

(2) –126 dB (W/m²) in 1 MHz for all angles of arrival between 0 and 5 degrees above the horizontal plane; –126 dB (W/m²) + 0.65($\delta - 5$) in 1 MHz for all angles of arrival between 5 and 25 degrees above the horizontal plane; and

–113 dB (W/m²) in 1 MHz and for all angles of arrival between 25 and 90 degrees above the horizontal plane.

(w) The power flux density at the Earth's surface produced by emissions from a 17/24 GHz BSS space station operating in the 17.3–17.7 GHz band for all conditions, including clear sky, and for

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all methods of modulation shall not exceed the regional power flux density levels defined below.

(1) In the region of the contiguous United States, located south of 38° North Latitude and east of 100 West Longitude: -115 dBW/m²/MHz.

(2) In the region of the contiguous United States, located north of 38° North Latitude and east of 100° West Longitude: -118 dBW/m²/MHz.

(3) In the region of the contiguous United States, located west of 100 West Longitude: -121 dBW/m²/MHz.

(4) For all regions outside of the contiguous United States including Alaska and Hawaii: -115 dBW/m²/MHz.

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§ 25.209 Antenna performance standards.

(a) The gain of any antenna to be employed in transmission from an earth station in the fixed-satellite service shall lie below the envelope defined below:

(1) In the plane of the geostationary satellite orbit as it appears at the particular earth station location, for earth stations not operating in the Ka-band or conventional Ku-band:

29-25log ₁₀ θ	dBi	For	1.5° ≤ θ ≤ 7°
8	dBi	For	7° < θ ≤ 9.2°
32-25log ₁₀ θ	dBi	For	9.2° < θ ≤ 48°
- 10	dBi	For	48° < θ ≤ 180°

where θ is the angle in degrees from the axis of the main lobe, and dBi refers to dB relative to an isotropic radiator. For the purposes of this section, the peak gain of an individual sidelobe may not exceed the envelope defined above for θ between 1.5 and 7.0 degrees. For θ greater than 7.0 degrees, the envelope may be exceeded by no more than 10% of the sidelobes, provided no individual

sidelobe exceeds the gain envelope given above by more than 3 dB.

(2) In the plane of the geostationary satellite orbit as it appears at the particular earth station location, for earth stations operating in the Ka-band or conventional Ku-band:

29-25log ₁₀ θ	dBi	For	1.5° ≤ θ ≤ 7°
8	dBi	For	7° < θ ≤ 9.2°
32-25log ₁₀ θ	dBi	For	9.2° < θ ≤ 48°
- 10	dBi	For	48° < θ ≤ 85°
0	dBi	For	85° < θ ≤ 180°

(3) In all other directions, or in the plane of the horizon including any out-of-plane potential terrestrial interference paths, for all earth stations not

operating in the Ka-band or conventional Ku-band:

Outside the main beam, the gain of the antenna shall lie below the envelope defined by:

32-25log ₁₀ θ	dBi	For	3° < θ ≤ 48°
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