



UK Interface Requirement 2045

Concurrent Spectrum Access

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Section 1

References

- 1.1 ETSI EN 301 502 – Harmonized EN for Global System for Mobile communications (GSM); Base Station and Repeater equipment covering essential requirements under article 3.2 of the Radio Equipment Directive (Directive 2014/53/EU).
- 1.2 ETSI EN 301 511 – Global System for Mobile communications (GSM); Harmonized standard for mobile stations in the GSM 900 and DCS 1800 bands covering essential requirements under article 3.2 of the Radio Equipment Directive (Directive 2014/53/EU).
- 1.3 ETSI GSM 05.05 – Digital cellular telecommunications system (GSM); Radio transmission and reception.
- 1.4 ERC Report 100 – Compatibility between certain radiocommunications systems operating in adjacent bands. Evaluation of DECT / GSM 1800 compatibility.
- 1.5 Note 1 - These references are included for information purposes only. Compliance with these referenced standards is not mandatory.
- 1.6 Note 2 - Documents listed above are not produced by Ofcom, therefore interested parties should source the documentation by their own means. For information:
 - The ERO website for technical regulatory documentation including the text of ERC Reports is located at <http://www.ero.dk>
 - The ETSI website for technical standard documentation is located at <http://www.etsi.org>
- 1.7 Note 3 - Ofcom is not responsible for the content of external internet sites.

Section 2

Foreword

- 2.1 The Radio Equipment Directive (Directive 2014/53/EU) was implemented in the United Kingdom (UK) by the Radio Equipment Regulations 2017. In accordance with Articles 8 and 7 of Directive 2014/53/EU, this UK Interface Requirement contains the requirements for the licensing and use of concurrent spectrum access in the specified frequency bands.
- 2.2 Nothing in this UK Radio Interface Requirement shall preclude the need for equipment to comply with Directive 2014/53/EU.
- 2.3 It is required by the Wireless Telegraphy Act 2006 that no radio equipment is installed or used in the UK except under the authority of a licence granted by or otherwise exempted by regulations made by Ofcom. It is a condition of such a licence or exemption regulations as appropriate that, in order to be installed or used in the UK, the equipment must meet the minimum requirements specified in this UK Interface Requirement for the stated equipment types and for the stated frequency bands. Nothing in this UK Interface Requirement shall preclude equipment from being placed on the market in the UK that complies with the 'essential requirements' specified in Directive 2014/53/EU.
- 2.4 The requirements given in the main body of this UK Radio Interface Requirement will apply to the licensing of concurrent spectrum access.
- 2.5 This UK Radio Interface Requirement will be revised as necessary, for example to follow:
 - i) current technology developments for reasons related to the effective and appropriate use of the spectrum in particular maximising spectrum utilisation; and
 - ii) changes to the available spectrum allocated for concurrent spectrum access.
- 2.6 All UK Radio Interface Requirements notified under Directive 2015/1535/EU will be published and will be made available free of charge from the Ofcom web-site at <http://www.ofcom.org.uk>
- 2.7 Further information on this UK Radio Interface Requirement can be obtained from the technical enquiry contact given at the back of this document.

Section 3

Minimum requirements for operation within the UK

- 3.1 The minimum requirements in this document are made for reasons related to the effective and appropriate use of the radio spectrum, in particular maximising spectrum utilisation.
- 3.2 This UK Radio Interface Requirement gives a high level description of how the spectrum in the UK is used for concurrent spectrum access. It does not prescribe technical interpretation of the 'essential requirements' of Directive 2014/53/EU.
- 3.3 This UK Radio Interface Requirement therefore stipulates the necessary equipment parameters for the licensing or licence exemption of concurrent spectrum access in the UK. Tables 3.1 and 3.2 contain the relevant equipment parameters. These taken together with the 'essential requirements' detailed in Article 3.2 of Directive 2014/53/EU constitute the minimum requirements for the installation and use of concurrent spectrum access within the UK. Nothing in this UK Interface Requirement shall preclude equipment from being placed on the market in the UK that complies with the 'essential requirements' specified in Directive 2014/53/EU.
- 3.4 The technical parameters specified in the UK radio Interface Requirement are applied to achieve the desired level of compatibility within the concurrent spectrum access and with other radiocommunications services, whilst promoting enterprise, innovation and competition.
- 3.5 This UK Radio Interface requirement provides the necessary technical information which facilitates access to the concurrent spectrum access spectrum by making clear the assumptions that are made in planning the use of the concurrent spectrum access spectrum in the UK. It is not the intention of this UK Radio Interface Requirement to duplicate or impose any additional 'essential requirements' of the Directive 2014/53/EU on products. Any specified parameters within this document are for the purpose of identifying product options and not as a national de facto product requirement.

Table 3.1: Minimum requirements for the use of concurrent spectrum access: - Mobile stations and repeaters operating in the 1781.7 MHz to 1785 MHz band.

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6	Channel occupation rules	Not specified												
7	Duplex type/separation	Mobile station transmit Repeater transmit/receive Paired band 95 MHz above (Table 3.2)												
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11	Reference	-												
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13	Notification Number	2005/695/UK												

Table 3.2: Minimum requirements for the use of concurrent spectrum access: - Base stations and repeaters operating in the 1876.7 MHz to 1880 MHz band

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Section 4

Additional performance parameters

(informative)

None specified

Section 5

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Section 6

Document history

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