# NETWORK LICENCE APPLICATION GUIDELINES

#### Introduction

The Network Licence may be granted to users of the following networks:

- 1. Wide-area Private Network;
- 2. Public Mobile Network and
- Fixed Wireless Network.

#### Requirements

#### Wide-area Private Network Licence

• minimum of 50 portables/mobiles/base/repeater stations for two-frequency with output power limited to 25 watts erp for mobiles/base/repeater and 5 watts erp for portables.

#### Note:

For Public Mobile Network Licence and Fixed Wireless Network Licence, please contact Ms Serene Foo, (Tel. 6211 1734 or e-mail: <a href="mailto:serene\_foo@imda.gov.sg">serene\_foo@imda.gov.sg</a>) for advice.

For terms and conditions of the Licence, please see below.

#### Other additional conditions are:

- 1. All the equipment shall incorporate the CTCSS tones, if required;
- 2. The operation of the portables shall be confined to the locations specified in the application form. Connection to the Public Basic Telecommunication Service (PBTS) operator's network is not allowed except with the written approval of IMDA and PBTS operators.

#### Application procedures

# a. Wide-area Private Network

Applicants can apply online for the Wide-area Private Network Licence through <a href="https://licence1.business.gov.sg/web/frontier/home">https://licence1.business.gov.sg/web/frontier/home</a>. The above online application can also be accessed through IMDA's online application webpage.

# b. Public Mobile Network / Fixed Wireless Network

Applicants can apply for the Public Mobile Network Licence and/or Fixed Wireless Network Licence by downloading the application form from IMDA's webpage and submitting the completed form(s) to IMDA for processing.



### Fees payable

Wide-area Private Network

Licence fee: \$500 per group of 50 stations or part thereof

(for portable or mobile station)

\$100 per annum per base or repeater station

Frequency Fee: Depending on the bandwidth of the frequencies. Application Fee: Depending on the bandwidth of the frequencies.

Public Mobile Network

Licence fee: \$100 per annum per station (<300 base stations)

\$80 per annum per station for all stations (301-500 base

stations)

\$60 per annum per station for all stations (501-700 base

stations)

\$40 per annum for all stations (> 701 base stations)

Frequency Fee: Depending on the bandwidth of the frequencies\*. (Refer to Annex 1) Application Fee: Depending on the bandwidth of the frequencies\*. (Refer to Annex 1)

Fixed Wireless Network

Licence Fee: \$500 per group of 50 stations or part thereof.

Frequency Fee: \* Same as above Application Fee: \* Same as above

#### Note:

Licence fees paid shall not be refunded (whether on a pro-rated basis or any other basis) in the event that the licence is cancelled by IMDA in the following circumstances:

- (i) where the licensee requests for variation or early termination of its licence, or
- (ii) where IMDA cancels the licence under Section 8 of the Telecommunications Act (Cap 323).

# **Equipment**

All radio equipment used must be registered/approved IMDA Singapore.

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#### <u>Licence Conditions</u>

- 1. This Licence is issued in accordance with and subject to the Act and the Regulations, and shall remain valid for the duration of Licence, unless cancelled prior thereto by the Info-communications Media Development Authority ("IMDA") in accordance with the Act or Regulations, or the conditions herein.
- 2. The Licensee hereby represents and warrants that the information and/or documents furnished and supplied for the purposes of applying for this Licence is true and accurate.
- The Licensee and all the persons operating the Stations and Network which
  the Licensee is authorised by this Licence to establish, install and operate,
  shall observe and comply with the Act, the Regulations and the conditions of
  this Licence.
- 4. The Licensee shall not permit or cause any unauthorised person to operate the Stations and/or Network or have access to the Stations and/or Network and equipment contained therein. The Licensee shall ensure that persons authorised to operate the Stations and/or Network observe the conditions of this Licence at all times.
- 5. The Stations and Network shall be used only with the emissions at the frequency(s) of the class(es) and power respectively specified in this Licence.
- 6. The Licensee shall ensure that the equipment comprised in the Stations and Network shall at all times comply with all applicable emission standards and technical specifications or requirements specified by IMDA, from time to time, in relation thereto.
- 7. The Licensee shall maintain up-to-date records of the list of the Stations, including the installation location of the Stations, name of equipment manufacturer, model, serial number of the equipment, frequency(s), output power, date of purchase and date of disposal of the equipment. This list shall be made available for inspection by IMDA as and when requested. The Licensee shall also be required to submit the updated list in the manner specified by IMDA at least one month prior to the expiry of this Licence. This Licence shall only be renewed upon submission of the aforesaid list to IMDA.
- 8. The Licensee shall permit or ensure that permission is granted to an authorised person of IMDA upon production of proof of identity, to enter any building, premises, compound or other place, vehicle, vessel or aircraft where the Stations and Network are installed or are being installed, to enable the said authorised person to inspect, examine or test any equipment comprised in the Stations and Network.
- 9. The equipment comprised in the Stations and Network shall be designed, constructed, maintained or used such that the Stations and Network, when

used, shall comply with the Act and Regulations and not cause interference to any other licensed or authorised stations or networks or telecommunication installation or equipment which may be lawfully owned, used or operated by any other person. The Licensee shall permit an authorised officer of IMDA to inspect the equipment comprised in the Stations and Network in order to determine whether the interference is in fact caused by the said equipment.

- 10. IMDA may, at any time, withdraw the frequency(s) from or allocate a different frequency(s) lawfully in place thereof to the Licensee without assigning any reason(s) therefor.
- 11. Unless authorised in writing by IMDA, the connection of any equipment comprised in the Stations and Network to a Public Telecommunication Licensee's network will not be permitted.
- 12. The Licensee shall notify IMDA of any intended change of address of the Licensee or any proposed change in any of the equipment comprised in the Stations and Network or any proposed change in the operating radio frequency(s), the mode of transmission or usage, the location at which the Stations and Network are installed, and before such change is effected, the Licensee shall obtain the prior written approval of IMDA.
- 13. The Licensee and persons authorised by the Licensee to operate the Stations and Network shall ensure that the Stations and Network and the equipment comprised therein are not used for unlawful purposes or misused in any way. A failure to comply with this condition amounts to an offence under the Regulations.
- 14. The Licensee shall ensure that the Stations and Network, including the equipment comprised therein, the operating radio frequency(s) and the location at which the Stations and Network are installed are not tampered with or modified in any manner unless IMDA's written approval has been obtained. As and when directed by IMDA, the Licensee shall, at its own cost, conduct inspections on the equipment in order to satisfy IMDA that the equipment has not been tampered with or modified. A failure to comply with this condition amounts to an offence under the Regulations.
- 15. The Stations and Network and this Licence shall be available for inspection at all reasonable times by any duly authorised officer of IMDA. A failure to comply with this condition amounts to an offence under the Regulations.
- 16. IMDA may vary, modify, suspend and cancel any of the terms of this Licence in accordance with the Act and the Regulations.
- 17. When the Licensee ceases to operate the Stations or Network or where this Licence ceases to be valid, the Licensee shall return the Licence to IMDA for cancellation and IMDA may require the Licensee to seal, disable or dismantle the equipment comprised in the Stations and Network in the presence of any authorised IMDA officer. A failure to comply with this condition amounts to an

- offence under the Regulations.
- 18. The Licensee shall not possess any radio-communication equipment, except and in accordance with a licence granted under section 5(1) of the Act or any regulations made under the Act or except where as approved by IMDA in writing.
- 19. The Licence fee shall be paid in advance and shall not be refundable.
- 20. This Licence is not transferable except with the prior written approval of IMDA.
- 21. The Licensee shall comply with any directions or notifications which IMDA may, from time to time, issue.

## Notes:

- This document has no legal standing and is not intended as a substitute for legal advice. While every effort has been made to provide an accurate and authoritative account of the licensing regime, the licence(s) to be granted to successful applicants will be the complete authoritative text.
- The information contained in this document is intended to assist interested parties in applying for the relevant licences. It does not bind IMDA to any particular course of action in relation to the handling of any application, or to the terms of any licence to be granted, or to grant any licence to any party. IMDA reserves the right to change its policies and/or to amend this document without prior notice.
- The grant of a licence is at the sole discretion of IMDA. IMDA reserves the right not to accept any application submitted. IMDA will undertake to explain to the applicant concerned, on the applicant's request, why the applicant is unsuccessful in its application for a licence.
- 4 IMDA reserves the right to disclose the identities of parties who have submitted applications. All other information received will be treated in confidence.

The fee schedule for long term usage of radio frequency fees is as follows:

# i) Application and Processing Fee

Category	Fee payable per frequency*
Commonly Assigned Frequencies (for temporary or occasional use)	\$100
All Other Frequencies (including satellite downlink frequencies)	\$300

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding GST

# ii) Annual Frequency Management Fee

# 1. Fees for the use of a radio frequency on an exclusive basis:

Radiocommunication Service	Radio Frequency Bands	Occupied Bandwidth (X)	Fee payable per frequency per annum*
	All	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$400
Broadcasting	Frequency Bands	25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$800
		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$12,100
Fixed	All Frequency Bands	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$400
		25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$1,100
		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$2,900
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$7,700
		X > 20 MHz	\$10,700
Private Mobile Radio	All Frequency	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$400
		25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$500

	Bands	500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$9,200
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$29,800
		X > 20 MHz	\$44,500
Public Mobile Radio	All Frequency Bands	per 5MHz of occupied bandwidth or part thereof	\$7,700
		X ≤ 25 kHz	\$400
	All	25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$1,100
Others	Frequency Bands	500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$15,100
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$29,800
		X > 20 MHz	\$44,500

Fees for the use of a radio frequency on a shared basis (where the occupied bandwidth falls within two or more categories of radio frequency bands, the fees payable in respect of the lower radio frequency band will apply):

Radio-communication Service	Radio Frequency Bands	Occupied Bandwidth (X)	Fee payable per frequency per annum*
Fixed	Below	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300
	10 GHz	25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$400
		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$800
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$1,800
		X > 20 MHz	\$2,400
	10 GHz – 15.7 GHz	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300
	15.7 0112	25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$400
		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$500
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$900
		X > 20 MHz	\$1,200
	15.7 GHz –	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300

Radio-communication	Radio	Occupied Bandwidth (X)	Fee payable per
Service	Frequency		frequency per
	Bands		annum*
	21.2 GHz	25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$400
	Above 21.2 GHz	500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$500
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$700
		X > 20 MHz	\$900
		X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300
		25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$400
		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$500
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$600
		X > 20 MHz	\$700
	Below 3 GHz	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300
		25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$400
		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$1,800
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$3,200
		X > 20 MHz	\$4,700
	3 GHz - 5.85 GHz	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300
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Radiodetermination (Non- Aeronautical)		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$1,000
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$1,800
		X > 20 MHz	\$2,500
	Above 5.85 GHz	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300
		25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$400
		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$700
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$1,000
		X > 20 MHz	\$1,400
Satellite	All	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300

Radio-communication Service	Radio Frequency Bands	Occupied Bandwidth (X)	Fee payable per frequency per annum*
(GeoStationary Orbit)	Frequency Bands	25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$400
		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$700
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$1,000
		X > 20 MHz	\$1,600
		X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300
0.111.01	All	25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$400
Satellite (Non- GeoStationary Orbit)	Frequency Bands	500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$1,500
	Darius	10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$2,800
		X > 20 MHz	\$4,700
	All Frequency Bands	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300
		25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$400
Private Mobile Radio		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$2,500
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$7,600
		X > 20 MHz	\$11,300
Radiodetermination (Aeronautical)	All Frequency Bands	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300
		25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$400
		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$2,100
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$4,000
		X > 20 MHz	\$5,800
Others	All Frequency Bands	X ≤ 25 kHz	\$300
		25 kHz < X ≤ 500 kHz	\$500
		500 kHz < X ≤ 10 MHz	\$4,000
		10 MHz < X ≤ 20 MHz	\$7,700
		X > 20 MHz	\$11,300

Radio Frequency Spectrum	Fee payable per frequency per annum*	
Common Frequencies for In-building or Onsite Wireless Systems —	ISM Band	Non ISM Band
(a) bandwidth of 20 MHz or less	\$50	\$100
(b) bandwidth of more than 20 MHz but not exceeding 50 MHz	\$100	\$200
(c) bandwidth of more than 50 MHz	\$150	\$300
Block of Assigned Frequencies for Multi-channel Radio Communication Networks and Systems	\$15	

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding GST