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## 1 Scope

This basic standard applies to radio base stations and fixed terminal stations for wireless telecommunication systems as defined in Clause 4, operating in the frequency range 110 MHz to 40 GHz.

The objective of the standard is to specify, for such equipment, the method for assessment of compliance distances according to the basic restrictions (directly or indirectly via compliance with reference levels) related to human exposure to radio frequency electromagnetic fields.

## 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

Council Recommendation 1999/519/EC of 12 July 1999 on the limitation of exposure of the general public to electromagnetic fields (0 Hz to 300 GHz) (Official Journal L 197 of 30 July 1999).

EN 50361:2001, *Basic standard for the measurement of Specific Absorption Rate related to human exposure to electromagnetic fields from mobile phones (300 MHz - 3 GHz)*

European Commission Enterprise Directorate General Standardisation Mandate addressed to CEN, CENELEC, and ETSI in the field of electrotechnology, information technology and telecommunications M305 Brussels.

International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (1998), *Guidelines for limiting exposure in time-varying electric, magnetic, and electromagnetic fields (up to 300 GHz)*; Health Physics 74, 494-522.

ISO/IEC Guide Express:1995, *Guide to the expression of uncertainty in measurement*

ISO/IEC 17025:1999, *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories*

## 3 Physical quantities, units and constants

### 3.1 Quantities

The internationally accepted SI-units are used throughout the standard.

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Dimensions</u>
Current density	J	ampere per square metre	A/m <sup>2</sup>
Electric field strength	E	volt per metre	V/m
Electric flux density	D	coulomb per square metre	C/m <sup>2</sup>
Electric conductivity	$\sigma$	siemens per metre	S/m

Frequency	f	hertz	Hz
Magnetic field strength	H	ampere per metre	A/m
Magnetic flux density	B	tesla (Vs/m <sup>2</sup> )	T
Mass density	$\rho$	kilogram per cubic metre	kg/m <sup>3</sup>
Permeability	$\mu$	henry per metre	H/m
Permittivity	$\epsilon$	farad per metre	F/m
Specific absorption rate	SAR	watt per kilogram	W/kg
Wavelength	$\lambda$	metre	m
Temperature	T	kelvin	K

### 3.2 Constants

<u>Physical constant</u>		<u>Magnitude</u>
Speed of light in a vacuum	c	$2,997 \times 10^8$ m/s
Permittivity of free space	$\epsilon_0$	$8,854 \times 10^{-12}$ F/m
Permeability of free space	$\mu_0$	$4 \pi \times 10^{-7}$ H/m
Impedance of free space	$\eta_0$	$120 \pi$ (approx. 377) $\Omega$

## 4 Terms and definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard, the following definitions apply.

### 4.1

#### antenna

device that serves as a transducer between a guided wave (e.g. coaxial cable) and a free space wave, or vice versa

### 4.2

#### average (temporal) absorbed power ( $P_{avg}$ )

the time-averaged rate of energy transfer defined by

$$P_{avg} = \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} P(t) dt \quad (1)$$

where  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  are the start and stop time of the exposure. The period  $t_2 - t_1$  is the exposure duration time

### 4.3

#### averaging time ( $t_{avg}$ )

the appropriate time over which exposure is averaged for purposes of determining compliance with the limits

**4.4****base station (BS)**

in this standard, the term “base station” (BS) covers radio base stations as well as fixed terminal stations intended for use in wireless telecommunications networks

**4.5****basic restrictions**

restrictions on exposure to time-varying electric, magnetic, and electromagnetic fields that are based directly on established health effects. In the frequency range from 110 MHz to 10 GHz, the physical quantity used is the specific absorption rate. Between 10 GHz and 40 GHz, the physical quantity is the power density

**4.6****compliance boundary**

a compliance boundary defines a volume outside which any point of investigation is deemed to be compliant. Outside the compliance boundary, the exposure levels do not exceed the basic restrictions irrespective of the time of exposure

**4.7****conductivity ( $\sigma$ )**

ratio of the conduction-current density in a medium to the electric field strength. Conductivity is expressed in units of siemens per metre (S/m)

**4.8****continuous exposure**

exposure for a duration exceeding the averaging time

**4.9****duty factor (duty cycle)**

ratio of the pulse duration to the pulse period of a periodic pulse train. A duty factor of unity corresponds to continuous-wave operation

**4.10****electric field strength ( $E$ )**

the magnitude of a field vector at a point that represents the force ( $F$ ) on a positive small charge ( $q$ ) divided by the charge

$$E = \frac{F}{q} \quad (2)$$

Electric field strength is expressed in units of volt per metre (V/m).

**4.11****electric flux density ( $D$ )**

the magnitude of a field vector that is equal to the electric field strength ( $E$ ) multiplied by the permittivity ( $\epsilon$ )

$$D = \epsilon E \quad (3)$$

Electric flux density is expressed in units of coulomb per square metre (C/m<sup>2</sup>).

**4.12****equipment under test (EUT)**

device (such as transmitter, base station or antenna as appropriate) that is the subject of the specific test investigation being described

#### 4.13

##### **fixed terminal station**

a fixed terminal station, usually associated with the user, comprises the hardware, including transceivers, necessary to transmit and receive radio signals. Fixed terminal stations with integrated antennas, fixed terminal stations with connectors for external antennas and fixed terminal stations intended for use with external antennas not supplied by the same manufacturer are covered.

In this standard, the fixed terminal stations are covered by the term "base station"

#### 4.14

##### **intrinsic impedance (of free space $\eta_0$ ) $\eta$**

the ratio of the electric field strength to the magnetic field strength of a propagating electromagnetic wave. The intrinsic impedance of a plane wave in free space is  $120 \pi$  (approximately 377) ohm

#### 4.15

##### **isotropy**

deviation of the measured value with regard to various angles of incidence of the measured signal. In this document it is defined for incidences covering a hemisphere centred at the tip of the probe, with an equatorial plane normal to the probe and expanding outside the probe. The axial isotropy is defined by the maximum deviation of the measured quantity when rotating the probe along its main axis with the probe exposed to a reference wave with normal incidence with regard to the axis of the probe. The hemispherical isotropy is defined by the maximum deviation of the measured quantity when rotating the probe along its main axis with the probe exposed to a reference wave with varying angles of incidences with regard to the axis of the probe in the half space in front of the probe

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#### 4.16

##### **linearity**

maximum deviation over the measurement range of the measured quantity from the closest linear reference curve defined over a given interval

#### 4.17

##### **loss tangent**

the loss tangent  $\tan(\delta)$  is the ratio of the imaginary part of the complex dielectric constant of a material to its real part

#### 4.18

##### **magnetic field strength (H)**

the magnitude of a field vector in a point that results in a force ( $F$ ) on a charge  $q$  moving with the velocity  $v$ .

$$F = q(v \times \mu H) \quad (5)$$

The magnetic field strength is expressed in units of ampere per metre (A/m)

**4.19****magnetic flux density (B)**

the magnitude of a field vector that is equal to the magnetic field strength H multiplied by the permeability ( $\mu$ ) of the medium

$$B = \mu H \quad (4)$$

Magnetic flux density is expressed in units of tesla (T)

**4.20****multi-band**

a multi-band equipment is operating in more than one frequency band, e.g., GSM 900 and GSM 1 800

**4.21****multi-mode**

a multi-mode equipment is operating with various radio communication systems, e.g., GSM and DECT

**4.22****permeability ( $\mu$ )**

the magnetic permeability of a material is defined by the magnetic flux density B divided by the magnetic field strength H

$$\mu = \frac{B}{H} \quad (6)$$

where  $\mu$  is the permeability of the medium expressed in henry per metre (H/m)

**4.23****permittivity ( $\varepsilon$ )**

the property of a dielectric material (e.g., biological tissue) defined by the electrical flux density D divided by the electrical field strength E

$$\varepsilon = \frac{D}{E} \quad (7)$$

The permittivity is expressed in units of farad per metre (F/m)

**4.24****phantom**

in this context a phantom is a simplified representation or a model similar in appearance to the human anatomy and composed of materials with electrical properties similar to the corresponding tissues

**4.25****point of investigation (POI)**

the location in space at which the value of E-field, H-field, Power flux density or SAR is evaluated. This location is defined in cartesian, cylindrical or spherical co-ordinates relative to the reference point on the EUT

**4.26****power flux density (S)**

power per unit area normal to the direction of electromagnetic wave propagation

#### 4.27

##### **radio base station**

a radio base station, usually associated with the network, comprises the hardware, including transceivers, necessary to transmit and receive radio signals.

Radio base stations with integrated antennas, radio base stations with connectors for external antennas and radio base stations intended for use with external antennas not supplied by the same manufacturer are covered.

In this standard, the radio base stations are covered by the term "base station"

#### 4.28

##### **radio frequency (RF)**

for purposes of these safety considerations, the frequency range of interest is 110 MHz to 40 GHz

#### 4.29

##### **relative permittivity ( $\epsilon_r$ )**

the ratio of the permittivity of a dielectric material to the permittivity of free space i.e.:

$$\epsilon_r = \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} \quad (8)$$

#### 4.30

##### **root-mean-square (rms)**

the rms value is obtained by taking the square root of the average of the square of the value of the periodic function taken throughout one period

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#### 4.31

##### **root-sum-square (rss)**

the rss value or the Hermitian magnitude of a vector  $\mathbf{v}$  is obtained by the square root of the sum of the squared rms values of all three orthogonal components of vector  $\mathbf{v}$ . The rss value is proportional to the joule heating and can be quite different from the rms amplitude of vector  $\mathbf{v}$

#### 4.32

##### **scanning system**

the scanning system is the positioning system capable of placing the measurement probe at the specified positions

#### 4.33

##### **specific absorption rate (SAR)**

the time derivative of the incremental energy ( $dW$ ) absorbed by (dissipated in) an incremental mass ( $dm$ ) contained in a volume element ( $dV$ ) of given mass density ( $\rho$ ).

$$SAR = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{dW}{dm} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{dW}{\rho dV} \right) \quad (9)$$

SAR is expressed in units of watt per kilogram (W/kg)

NOTE SAR can be calculated by

$$SAR = \frac{\sigma E_i^2}{\rho} \quad (10)$$

$$SAR = c_i \frac{dT}{dt} \quad (\text{time}=0) \quad (11)^1$$

where

$E_i$  is rms value of the electric field strength in the tissue in V/m

$\sigma$  is conductivity of body tissue in S/m

$\rho$  is density of body tissue in kg/m<sup>3</sup>

$c_i$  is heat capacity of body tissue in J/kg K

$\frac{dT}{dt}$  is time derivative of temperature in body tissue in K/s

#### 4.34

##### transmitter

device to generate radio frequency power for the purpose of communication but on its own is not intended to radiate it

## 5 Applicability of compliance assessment methods

### 5.1 Introduction

Guidelines and recommended limits on human exposure to radio waves give basic restrictions in terms of SAR or power flux density and also reference levels in terms of field strengths in the absence of the body.

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The compliance boundary defines the volume outside which the exposure levels do not exceed the basic restrictions irrespective of the time of exposure for the specific operating conditions of the EUT. The compliance boundary is determined via a procedure where sufficient points of investigation are assessed.

It is technically possible to determine the compliance boundary through measurements or calculations of SAR or electromagnetic fields relating to basic restrictions or reference levels, since compliance to the reference levels guarantees compliance to the basic restrictions. However the choice of the most appropriate assessment method depends on a variety of other considerations.

Where the assessment is made through SAR, it should be noted that both localised and whole-body basic restrictions must be considered. Spatial averaging may be used with field strength assessments in order to assess whole-body SAR, however this approach may not be conservative over localised SAR, which shall be assessed separately.

<sup>1)</sup> This equation does not address thermal regulation in a live person.

## 5.2 Assessment procedure

### 5.2.1 Reference and alternative methodologies

This standard describes measurement and calculation methodologies that may be used to establish the compliance boundary. The current best evaluation techniques are assigned as the "reference" methodologies to be applied in the case of dispute.

However, simpler-to-apply alternative methodologies may provide more restrictive results than the reference methods and are therefore also acceptable. Compliance at a point of investigation may therefore be established via any of the described methods.

Table 1 establishes the reference and alternative methodologies as described in this specification.

**Table 1 - Reference and alternative methodologies**

	Applicable methodologies for each antenna region (Annex A) <sup>Notes 1,2</sup>		
	Reactive near-field	Radiating near-field	Far-field
Reference	SAR evaluation Clause 7 (Note 3,4,5)	SAR evaluation Clause 7 (Note 3,4,5)	E-field or H-field calculation Clause 8 (Note 6)
First alternative	E-field and H-field measurement Clause 6 (Note 6)	E-field or H-Field measurement Clause 6 (Note 6)	E-field or H-field measurement Clause 6
Second alternative	None (Note 7)	E-field or H-field calculation Clause 8 (Note 6)	None

NOTE 1 The reference methodology may be more complex to implement than the alternatives

NOTE 2 The alternative methodologies give valid if conservative compliance assessments.

NOTE 3 Methodology is not currently specified for Whole Body SAR evaluation above restricted power limits in 7.1.2.

NOTE 4 Localised SAR evaluation currently limited to

- 800 MHz <= frequency < 3 000 MHz
- For radiating structure of antenna whose physical aperture is less than 0,6 m by 0,3 m
- For investigation distances <=0,4 m.

NOTE 5 SAR calculation is the reference since it takes into account the fine structure of the head/body whereas the measurement methodology is based on a simplified phantom approximation.

NOTE 6 Spatial averaging (Clause 9) provides a more accurate whole body evaluation of EM compliance than peak values, provided localised SAR compliance is assessed.

NOTE 7 See general investigation methods for E&H calculations in D.1.

### 5.2.2 Alternative routes to determine compliance distances

Any of the alternative routes described in Figure 1 shall be used in accordance with Table 1 to establish if a point of investigation is compliant or not. Any completed route can be demonstrated to assure compliance to the "basic restriction" either directly or indirectly via compliance with the "reference level".