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The present document is part 4 of a multi-part deliverable covering the Fixed Radio Systems; Characteristics and requirements for point-to-point equipment and antennas. Full details of the entire series can be found in ETSI EN 302 217-1 [2].

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# 1 Scope

The present document defines the characteristics and requirements of antennas for point-to-point radio equipment operating in the frequency range from 1 GHz to 86 GHz falling within the scope of ETSI EN 302 217-2 [i.4].

For technical commonalities that range is here divided into sub-ranges as follows:

- Range 0: 1 GHz to 3 GHz;
- Range 1: 3 GHz to 14 GHz;
- Range 2: 14 GHz to 20 GHz;
- Range 3: 20 GHz to 24 GHz;
- Range 4: 24 GHz to 30 GHz;
- Range 5: 30 GHz to 47 GHz;
- Range 6: 47 GHz to 66 GHz;
- Range 7: 66 GHz to 86 GHz.

The present document is applicable to fixed radio equipment with *integral* or *dedicated antennas*, and to *stand-alone antennas*. In the latter case the present document may be used to provide guidance as to the information to be supplied by a manufacturer as required by article 10 paragraph 8 of Directive 2014/53/EU [i.2].

The main body of the present document specifies the characteristics that define the various antenna classes, whilst the annexes provide additional information that is useful to both antenna manufacturers and user/installers.

# 2 References

## 2.1 Normative references

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- [1] ETSI EN 301 126-3-1 (V1.1.2): "Fixed Radio Systems; Conformance testing; Part 3-1: Point-to-Point antennas; Definitions, general requirements and test procedures".
- [2] ETSI EN 302 217-1 (V3.1.1): "Fixed Radio Systems; Characteristics and requirements for point-to-point equipment and antennas; Part 1: Overview, common characteristics and system-independent requirements".
- [3] IEC 60154-1: "Flanges for waveguides. Part 1: General requirements".
- [4] IEC 60154-2: "Flanges for waveguides. Part 2: Relevant specifications for flanges for ordinary rectangular waveguides".
- [5] IEC 60169-1: "Radio-frequency connectors. Part 1: General requirements and measuring methods".

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- [i.3] Void.
- [i.4] ETSI EN 302 217-2 (V3.1.1): "Fixed Radio Systems; Characteristics and requirements for point-to-point equipment and antennas; Part 2: Digital systems operating in frequency bands from 1 GHz to 86 GHz; Harmonised Standard covering the essential requirements of article 3.2 of Directive 2014/53/EU".
- [i.5] Void.
- [i.6] ETSI EN 301 126-1: "Fixed Radio Systems; Conformance testing; Part 1: Point-to-point equipment - Definitions, general requirements and test procedures".
- [i.7] Recommendation ITU-R F.699: "Reference radiation patterns for fixed wireless system antennas for use in coordination studies and interference assessment in the frequency range from 100 MHz to about 70 GHz".

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## 3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

### 3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in ETSI EN 302 217-1 [2] apply.

### 3.2 Symbols

For the purposes of the present document, the symbols given in ETSI EN 302 217-1 [2] apply.

### 3.3 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the abbreviations given in ETSI EN 302 217-1 [2] apply.

## 4 Technical requirements specifications

### 4.1 Introduction

The electrical characteristics are given as function of specific classification of the antennas according to the principles referred to in clause 4.2.

The antenna manufacturer shall state, for each antenna type, the frequency band of operation and antenna gain at least at the frequency band edges and at mid-band. An antenna, which employs a radome, shall meet the requirements of the present document with the radome in place. The antenna system shall radiate a linear (single or dual) polarized wave.

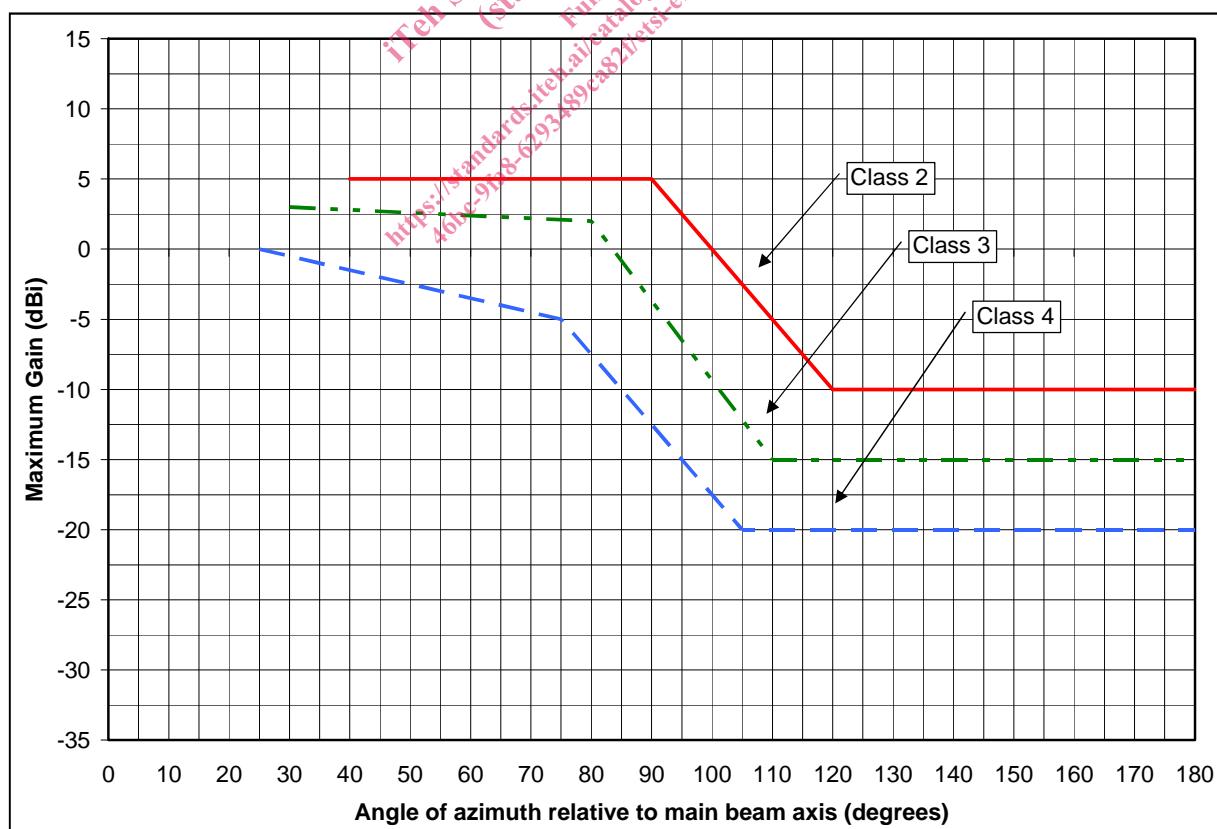
### 4.2 Templates for definition of Radiation Pattern Envelope (RPE) classes

The RPE directional characteristic (co-polar and cross-polar) impacts the interference situation in the network planning and a trade-off between a highly demanding RPE and the cost/size/weight of the antennas, compatible with the constraints given by present and future networks is then advisable.

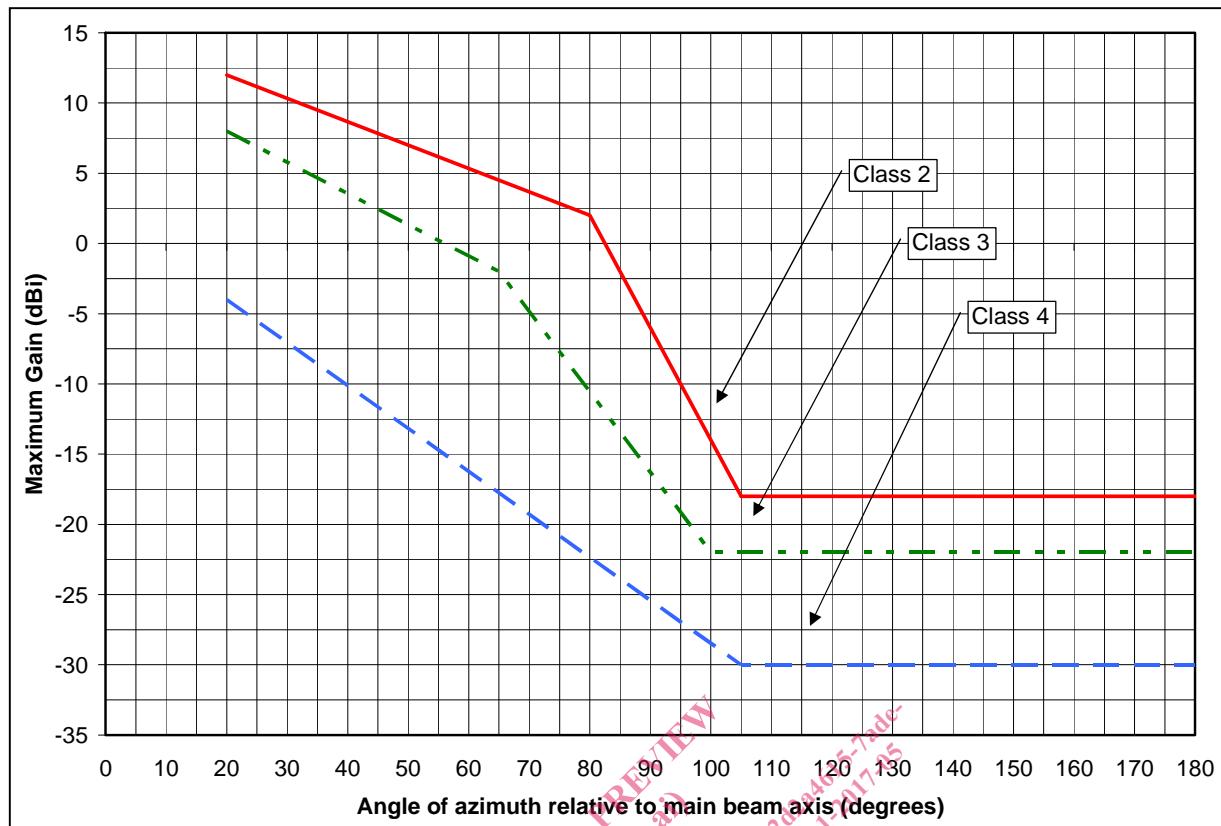
With respect to the Radiation Pattern Envelope (RPE), four classes (RPE classes 1 to 4) have been identified according maximum co-polar limit templates for any actual RPE mask in significant range of off-axis azimuth angles. The templates for subdivision in those classes are also depending on given frequency ranges of operation according to figures 1 to 4 and table 1.

When more than one actual standardized RPE falls within the same class template, a sub-class indicative (A, B, C, etc.) shall be used according their more demanding RPE limit in angles closer to the intended direction.

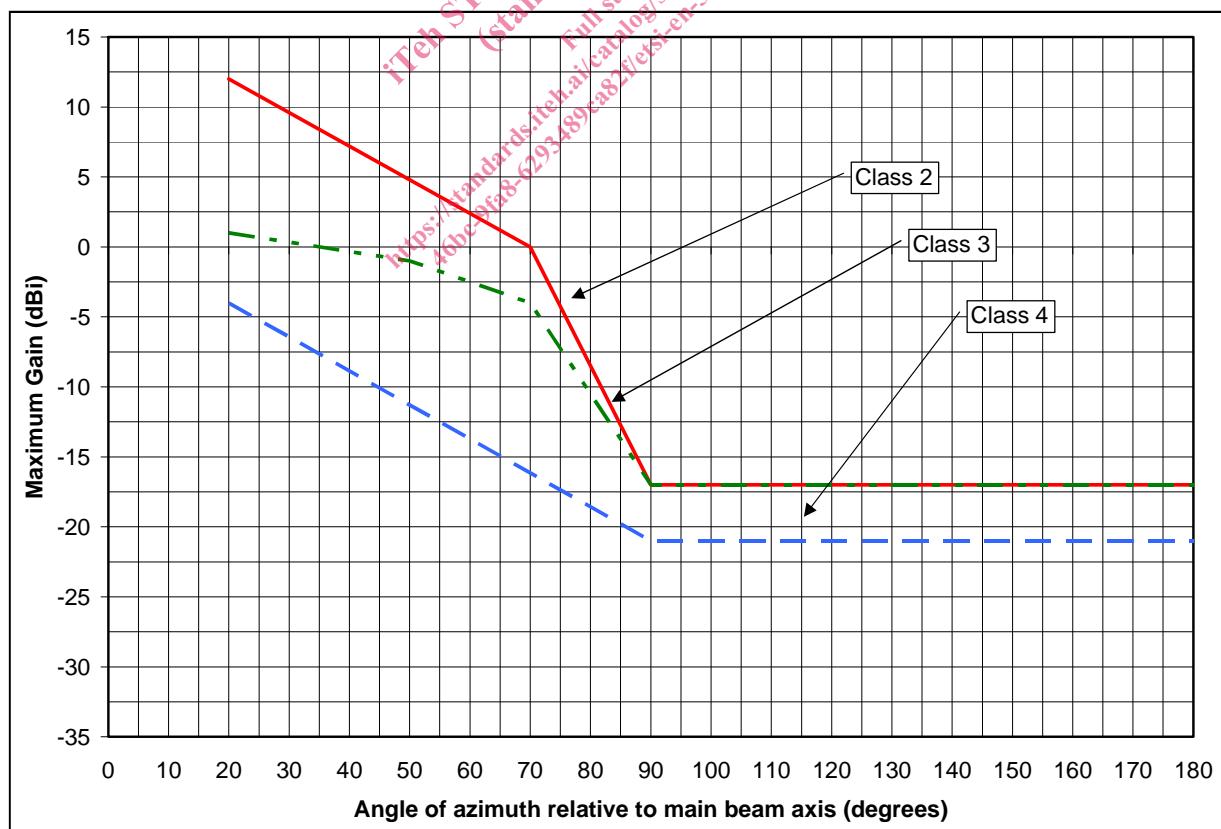
**NOTE:** Figures 1 to 4 report limit templates for any actual RPE mask of classes 2, 3 and 4 antennas; class 1 antennas are defined as those which actual RPE mask exceeds class 2 limit template.



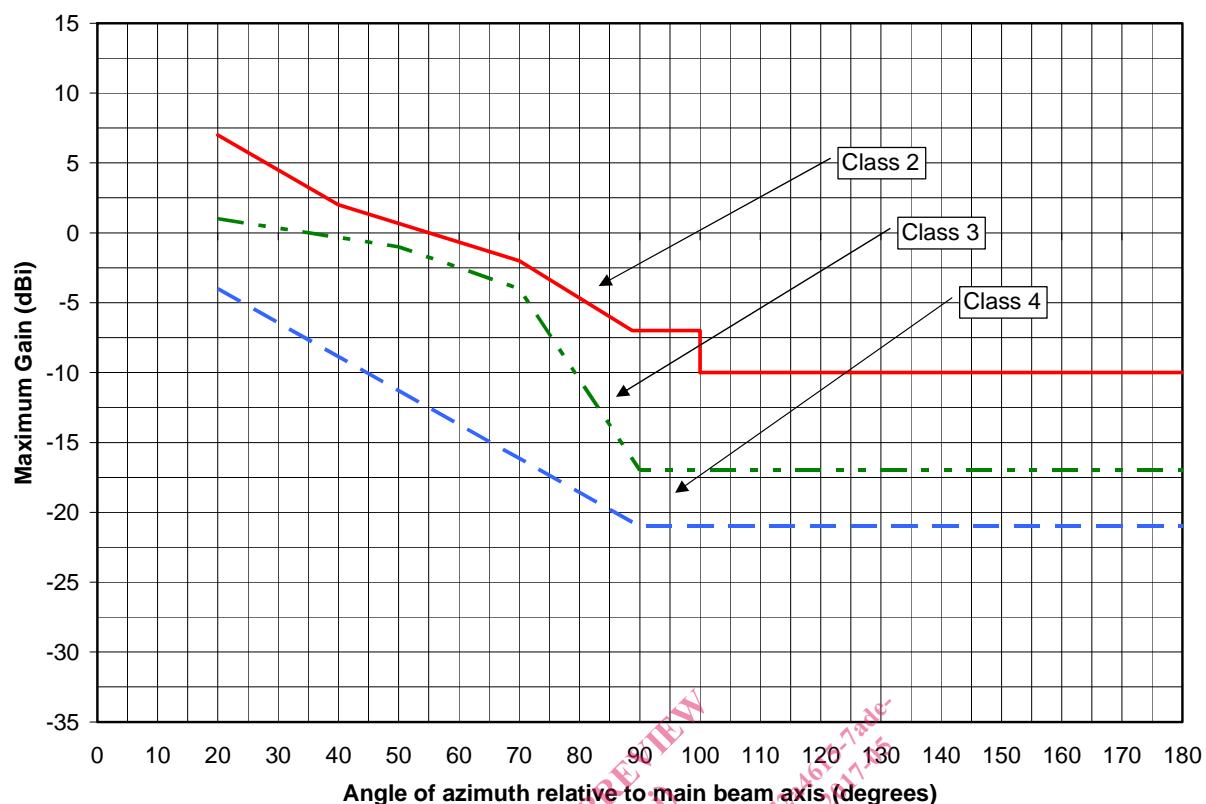
**Figure 1: Co-polar limit templates for actual RPE masks of antenna classes in the range 1 GHz to 3 GHz (see table 1)**



**Figure 2: Co-polar limit templates for actual RPE masks of antenna classes in the range 3 GHz to 30 GHz (see table 1)**



**Figure 3: Co-polar limit templates for actual RPE masks of antenna classes in the range 30 GHz to 66 GHz (see table 1)**



**Figure 4: Co-polar limit templates for actual RPE masks of antenna classes in the range 66 GHz to 86 GHz (see table 1)**

**Table 1: Corner points of co-polar limits for actual RPE templates (see figures 1, 2, 3 and 4)**

RPE classes (see note 1)	Co-polar maximum limit templates for actual RPEs							
	Range 1 GHz to 3 GHz (see note 2)		Range 3 GHz to 30 GHz		Range 30 GHz to 66 GHz (see note 3)		Range 66 GHz to 86 GHz	
	Azimuth angle (°)	Maximum gain (dBi)	Azimuth angle (°)	Maximum gain (dBi)	Azimuth angle (°)	Maximum gain (dBi)	Azimuth angle (°)	Maximum gain (dBi)
2	40	5	20	12	20	12	20	7
	90	5	80	2	70	0	40	2
	120	-10	105	-18	90	-17	70	-2
	180	-10	180	-18	180	-17	88,75	-7
							100	-7
							100	-10
							180	-10
3	30	3	20	8	20	1	20	1
	80	2	65	-2	50	-1	50	-1
	110	-15	100	-22	70	-4	70	-4
	180	-15	180	-22	90	-17	90	-17
					180	-17	180	-17
4	25	0	20	-4	20	-4	20	-4
	75	-5	105	-30	90	-21	90	-21
	105	-20	180	-30	180	-21	180	-21
	180	-20						

NOTE 1: Class 1 antennas are defined as those which actual RPE exceeds class 2 template limit.

NOTE 2: No specific class 4 antenna RPE is defined for this frequency range; the corresponding limit template in table 1 is set for possible future use.

NOTE 3: No specific class 4 antenna RPE is defined for the frequency range 47 GHz to 66 GHz; the corresponding limit template in table 1 is set for possible future use.

## 4.3 Environmental profile

The required environmental profile for operation of the antenna or the equipment-antenna assembly (in case of systems with integral antenna) shall be declared by the manufacturer. The antenna shall comply with all the technical requirements of the present document at all times when operating within the boundary limits of the declared operational environmental profile. For testing the compliance to technical requirements refer also to ETSI EN 301 126-3-1 [1] and clause 5 in the present document.

## 4.4 Radiation Pattern Envelope (RPE)

### 4.4.1 Introduction

The present document defines all currently available Antenna RPE classes. An overview of which is given in table 2.

**Table 2: Summary of RPE classes represented in the present document**

Frequency range (GHz)	Antenna Radiation Pattern Envelope (RPE) class
1 to 3	1A, 1B, 1C, 2, 3
3 to 14	1, 2, 3, 4
14 to 20	1, 2, 3, 4
20 to 24	1, 2, 3, 4
24 to 30	1, 2, 3, 4
30 to 47	1, 2, 3A, 3B, 3C, 4
47 to 66	1, 2, 3A, 3B
66 to 86	1, 2, 3, 4

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#### 4.4.2 Frequency range 0: 1 GHz to 3 GHz

The choice of antenna depends on the application planned for this band, requirements of the operators and the responsible administration. Figures 5 to 10 give the RPEs for antenna classes 1, 2 and 3.

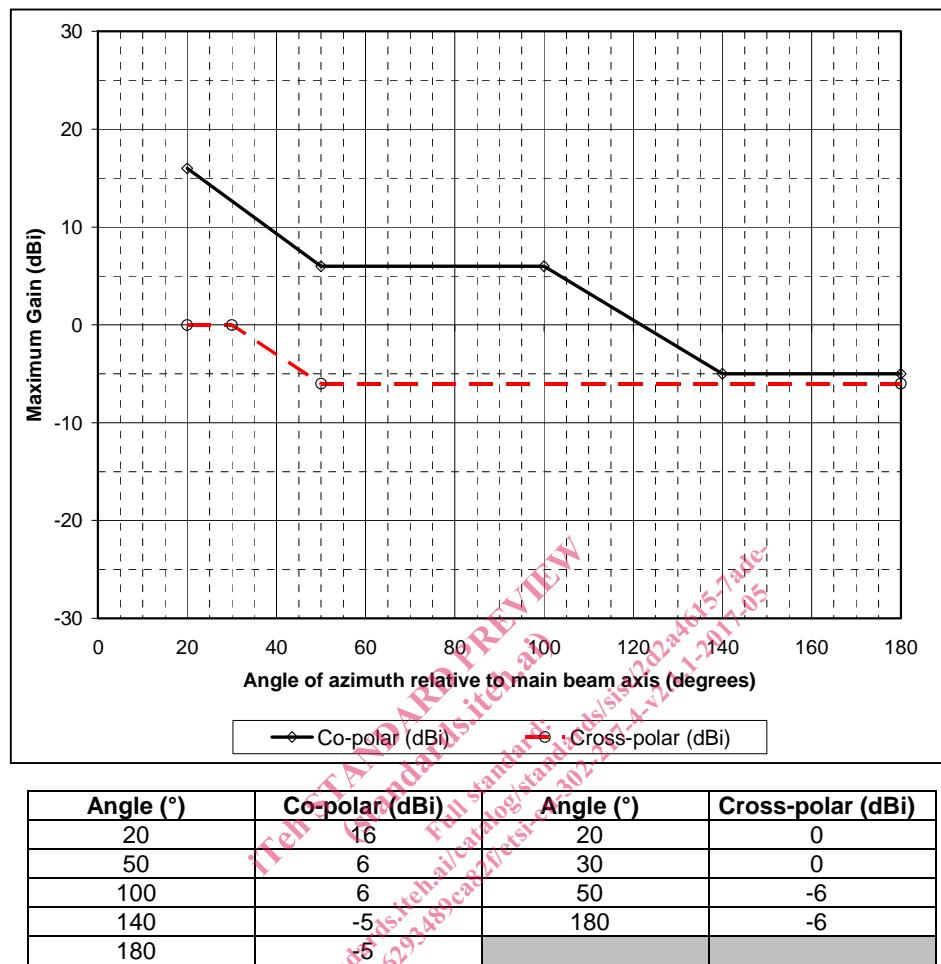


Figure 5: Class 1A antenna RPE (1 GHz to 3 GHz)

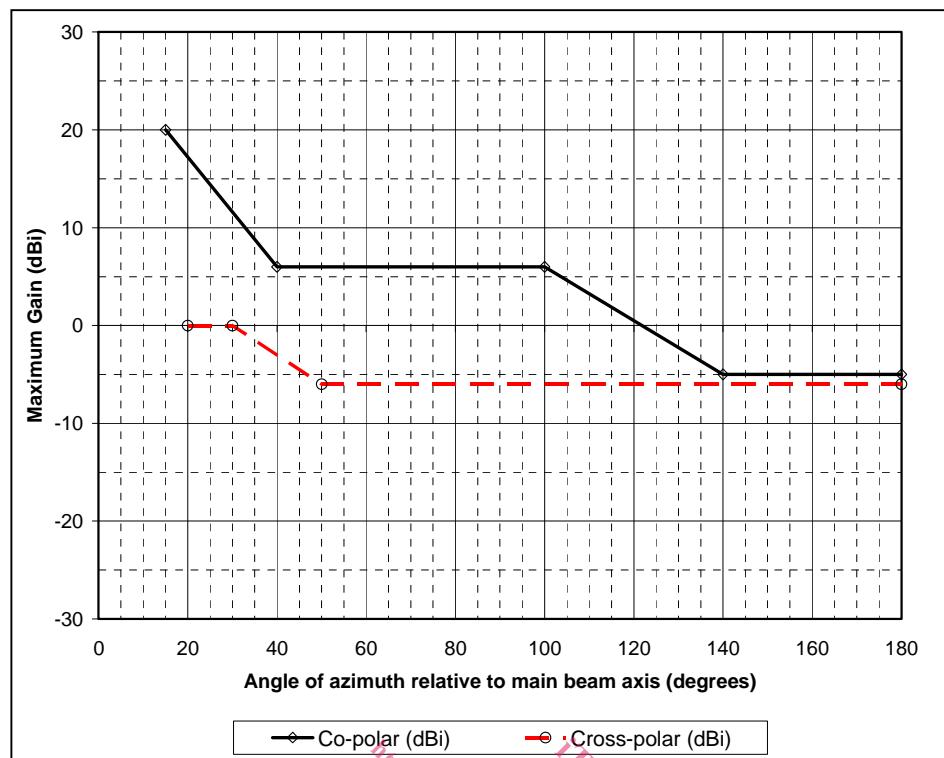


Figure 6: Class 1B antenna RPE (1 GHz to 3 GHz)

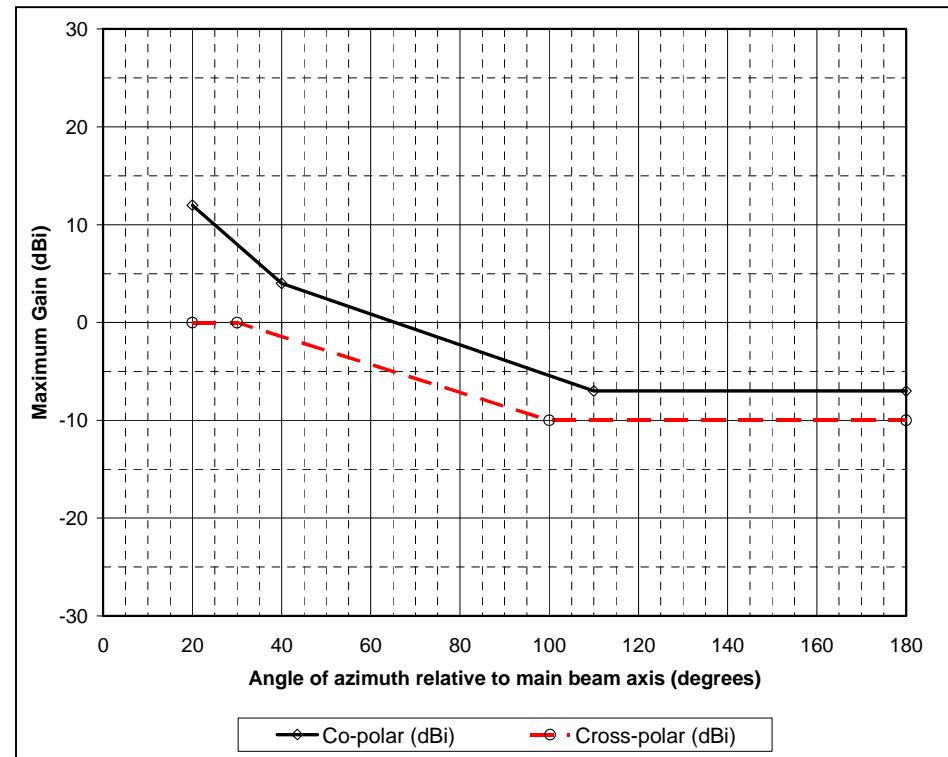


Figure 7: Class 1C antenna RPE (1 GHz to 3 GHz, azimuth plane)