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1 Scope

The present document describes the Radio Frequency (RF) tests for GSM repeaters (frequency bands according to clause 4.1) which receive, amplify, and retransmit a received Mobile Station (MS) signal in the GSM MS transmit band and simultaneously receive, amplify and retransmit a received Base Transceiver Station (BTS) RF signal in the GSM BTS transmit band.

The present document is applicable to repeaters meeting the requirements of either GSM Phase 2 or GSM Phase 2+. Unless otherwise stated, all tests are applicable to repeaters meeting Phase 2 and/or Phase 2+ GSM requirements, because the requirements of the Phase 2 and Phase 2+ core GSM specifications which are referenced in the test are consistent. Most differences between Phase 2 and Phase 2+ requirements represent Phase 2+ features which are optional for the BSS to support.

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- [1] 3GPP TR 21.905: "Vocabulary for 3GPP Specifications".
- [2] ETS 300 019-1-0: "Equipment Engineering (EE): Environmental conditions and environmental tests for telecommunications equipment Part 1-0; Classification of environmental conditions; Introduction".
- [3] ETS 300 019-1-3: "Equipment Engineering (EE): Environmental conditions and environmental tests for telecommunications equipment Part 1-3; Classification of environmental conditions, Stationary use at weather-protected locations".
- [4] ETS 300 019-1-4: "Equipment Engineering (EE): Environmental conditions and environmental tests for telecommunications equipment Part 1-4; Classification of environmental conditions, Stationary use at non-weather-protected locations".
- [5] ITU-R Rec. SM.329: "Spurious emissions".
- [6] void.
- [7] IEC 60068-2: "Basic environmental testing procedures: Part 2 Tests".
- [8] IEC 721: "Classification of environmental conditions".
- [9] 3GPP TS 51.010-1: 'Mobile Station (MS) conformity specification'.
- [10] 3GPP TS 51.021: 'Base Station System (BSS) equipment specification; Radio aspects'.
- [11] ETSI ETR 027: "Methods of measurement for private mobile radio equipment".
- [12] ETSI ETR 028: "Uncertainties in the measurement of mobile radio equipment characteristics".
- [13] 3GPP TS 45.005: "Radio transmission and reception".

3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the following terms and definitions apply:

broadband repeater: repeater which is designed for operation on any combination of ARFCNs (up to a specified maximum number) within the operating band of the repeater.

channelized repeater: repeater which is designed for operation on a specified subset of ARFCNs within the operating band of the repeater. The subset of ARFCNs may be determined during the manufacture of the repeater, or may be programmable.

GSM: Unless otherwise specified, references to GSM include all radio frequency bands according to clause 4.1.

operating band: the frequency range in which GSM operates.

pass band: frequency range that the repeater operates in with operational configuration.

NOTE 1: This frequency range can correspond to one or several consecutive nominal channels. If they are not consecutive each subset of channels shall be considered as an individual pass band.

NOTE 2: A repeater can have one or several pass bands.

repeater: bi-directional Radio Frequency (RF) amplifier which can amplify and transmit a received Mobile Station (MS) signal in the GSM MS transmit band, simultaneously it can amplify and transmit a received Base Transceiver Station (BTS) RF signal in the GSM BTS transmit band.

repeater system using frequency shift: repeater system consisting of two different elements, a master unit close to the BTS and at least one remote unit close to the area to be covered.

NOTE 3: The master unit amplifies the channels from the BTS and shifts them to different GSM channels. In the remote unit the shifted channels from the master unit will be transferred back to the original channels and amplified. This is valid for the downlink signals as well as for the uplink signals.

spurious emissions: emissions at frequencies other than those of the carrier and sidebands associated with normal modulation and switching.

subchannel power imbalance ratio on downlink: as defined in 3GPP TS 45.004 [21].

3.2 Abbreviations

For the purposes of the present document, the following abbreviations apply:

BTS Base Transceiver Station

MS Mobile Station RF Radio Frequency

SCPIR_DL Subchannel Power Imbalance Ratio on DownLink

Abbreviations used within the GSM specifications are given in 3GPP TR 21.905 [1].

4 General

A repeater can be designed to amplify the whole transmit RF band or just a part of the band. In the latter case the repeater can be either Broadband, with frequency band selective filtering, or channelized, with channel selective filtering.

4.1 Radio frequency bands

A repeater, as having a bi-directional amplifier capability, can amplify and transmit a received MS signal in the MS transmit band, simultaneously it can amplify and transmit a received BTS signal in the BTS transmit band. The relevant MS and BTS transmit bands for the present document are the MS and BTS transmit bands as defined in 3GPP TS 45.005 [13], clause 2. A repeater is designed to operate in one or several pass bands within the MS and BTS transmit bands as defined in 3GPP TS 45.005 [13], clause 2. In this document, such MS and BTS relevant bands are herein referred as the repeater operating bands, as defined in clause 3.1. Repeater operating band(s) and repeater pass band(s) are part of clause 4.3 Manufacturers declarations.

Table 1: void

NOTE: In some circumstances, for instance when an operator (or more than one operator who co-ordinate the use of repeaters), is not allocated a complete band, it may be necessary to restrict the frequency range of operations of repeaters. In these circumstances, the test of "Gain outside pass band" in annex A may be used to verify the performance of the repeater.

4.2 Test environments

For each test in the present document, the environmental conditions under which the repeater is to be tested are defined.

4.2.1 Normal test environment

When a normal test environment is specified for a test, the test should be performed under any combination of conditions between the minimum and maximum limits stated in table 2.

Table 2: Limits of conditions for Normal Test Environment

Condition C	Minimum	Maximum	
Barometric pressure	86 kPa	106 kPa	
Temperature	15°C	30°C	
Relative Humidity	20 %	85 %	
Power supply	Nominal, as declared by the manufacturer		
Vibration	Negligible		

The ranges of barometric pressure, temperature and humidity represent the maximum variation expected in the uncontrolled environment of a test laboratory. If it is not possible to maintain these parameters within the specified limits, the actual values shall be recorded in the test report.

NOTE: This may, for instance, be the case for measurements of radiated emissions performed on an open field test site.

4.2.2 Extreme test environment

The manufacturer shall declare one of the following:

- a) the equipment class for the equipment under test, as defined in ETS 300 019-1-3 [3];
- b) the equipment class for the equipment under test, as defined in ETS 300 019-1-4 [4];
- c) for equipment that does not comply to an ETS 300 019-1 [2] class, the relevant classes from IEC 721 [8] documentation for temperature, humidity and vibration shall be declared.

NOTE: Reduced functionality for conditions that fall out side of the standard operational conditions are not tested in the present document. These may be stated and tested separately.

4.2.3 Extreme temperature

When an extreme temperature test environment is specified for a test, the test shall be performed at the standard minimum and maximum operating temperatures defined by the manufacturer's declaration for the equipment under test.