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**MEASUREMENT OF EXPOSURE TO RADIOFREQUENCY  
ELECTROMAGNETIC FIELDS –**
**Field strength in the frequency range  
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Full information on the voting for the approval of this standard can be found in the report on voting indicated in the above table.

Annexes A and B are given for information only.

## INTRODUCTION

Recent publications by national and international authorities responsible for developing safety limits on exposure to radiofrequency electromagnetic fields show a consensus towards making specific energy absorption rate (SAR) and induced current in the human body the basic limits.

Since instruments are not yet available to measure SAR directly, and because SAR and circulating current will vary from person to person, depending on their height and weight, recent standards specify derived secondary levels for field strength, and/or equivalent plane-wave power flux density, for worst case conditions of electrical coupling and body size and weight. However, in some situations, where a wide spatial variation of field strength is present, for example, when climbing an antenna tower or mast, it may be more appropriate to measure the contact current through the hands or feet.

Measurements of contact current are not covered by this International Standard.

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## Field strength in the frequency range 100 kHz to 1 GHz

### 1 Scope

This International Standard applies to measurements of electromagnetic fields from operational transmitting equipment to ensure that the transmissions do not constitute a potential hazard to workers or to the general public.

The purpose of this standard is to promote a common understanding of technical requirements and precautions necessary for the accurate measurement of electromagnetic fields carried out in conjunction with relevant national exposure regulations.

This standard covers transmissions in the frequency range 100 kHz to 1 GHz.

NOTE – Possible extension of this frequency range up to 2 GHz or 3 GHz will be investigated.

This International Standard does not specify limiting values for exposure as these are usually given in exposure standards issued by responsible health authorities. This standard is, therefore, intended to be used in conjunction with the relevant national standards or regulations applicable in the country concerned. In the absence of any national rules restricting exposure to radiofrequency electromagnetic fields, the recommendations of the International Non-ionizing Radiation Committee (INIRC) may be followed. The 1988 INIRC recommendations on exposure limits are summarized in annex A.

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### 2 Normative reference

The following normative document contains provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of this International Standard. At the time of publication, the edition indicated was valid. All normative documents are subject to revision, and parties to agreements based on this International Standard are encouraged to investigate the possibility of applying the most recent edition of the normative document indicated below. Members of IEC and ISO maintain registers of currently valid International Standards.

IEC 60215: 1987, *Safety requirements for radio transmitting equipment*

### 3 Definitions

For the purpose of this International Standard, the following definitions apply.

**3.1 dipole, elementary:** Dipole of short length compared to wavelength. A mathematical concept, widely used in theoretical antenna analysis, based on a short element of wire compared to the wavelength carrying an oscillatory current.

**3.2 exposure:** Occurs where a person is subjected to electric, magnetic, or electromagnetic fields or to contact currents other than those originating from physiological processes in the body and other natural phenomena.

**3.3 exposure, partial – body:** Occurs where RF fields are substantially non-uniform over the body. Fields which are non-uniform over volumes comparable to the human body may occur due to highly directional sources, standing waves, re-radiating sources, RF hot-spots, or in the near-field.

**3.4 exposure standard:** Regulations, recommendations or a standard dealing with limits of permissible exposure, published by a responsible authority.

**3.5 far-field region:** That region of the field of an antenna where the angular field distribution is essentially independent of the distance from the antenna. In this region, the field has predominately a plane-wave character, i.e. with locally uniform distributions of electric field strength and of magnetic field strength in planes transverse to the direction of propagation.

#### NOTES

- 1 If the antenna has a maximum overall dimension  $D$  which is large compared to the wavelength, the far-field region is commonly taken to exist at distances greater than  $2D^2/\lambda$  from the antenna,  $\lambda$  being the wavelength. This is the Rayleigh distance corresponding to a path difference of  $\lambda/16$ .
- 2 The far-field region is sometimes referred to as the Fraunhofer region.

**3.6 near-field region:** That region generally in proximity to an antenna, or other radiating structure, where the angular field distribution is dependent upon the distance from the antenna. In this region, the electric and magnetic fields do not have a plane-wave character. The near-field region is further subdivided into the reactive near-field region, which is closest to the radiating structure and which contains most or nearly all of the stored energy, and the radiating near-field region where the radiation field predominates over the reactive field but lacks substantial plane-wave character and is complicated in structure.

#### NOTES

- 1 For most antennas, the outer boundary of the reactive near-field region is commonly taken to exist at a distance of one-half wavelength from the antenna surface.
- 2 The radiating near-field region is sometimes referred to as the Fresnel region.

**3.7 non-ionizing radiation:** Any electromagnetic radiation incapable of dissociating electrons from atoms or molecules to produce ions or ionized molecules directly or indirectly. RF waves are non-ionizing radiations.

**3.8 polarization (radiated wave):** That property of a radiated electromagnetic wave describing the time varying direction and amplitude of the electric field vector; specifically the figure traced as a function of time by the extremity of the vector at a fixed location in space, as observed along the direction of propagation.

NOTE – In general, this figure is elliptical, traced in a clockwise or counterclockwise sense. The commonly referenced circular and linear polarizations are obtained when the ellipse becomes a circle or a straight line, respectively. For an observer looking in the direction of propagation, clockwise sense rotation of the electric vector is designated right-hand polarization and counterclockwise sense rotation is designated left-hand polarization.

**3.9 power flux density:** In radio wave propagation, the power crossing unit area perpendicular to the direction of propagation (unit:  $W/m^2$ ).

For plane waves, power flux density  $S$ , r.m.s. electric field strength  $E$  and r.m.s. magnetic field strength  $H$  are related by the impedance of free-space, i.e.  $377 \Omega$ .

$$S = E^2/377 = 377 H^2$$