THE 7.5 GHz BAND (7425 - 7725 MHz)

RF CHANNEL ARRANGEMENTS



ASSIGNMENT INSTRUCTIONS

This band is designated for use by low-medium capacity fixed point-to-point links.

Typical Use	: 2-17 Mbit/s data
Assignment Priority	: See Note 1.
Minimum Path Length	: 20 km
Antenna Requirements	: refer to Appendix 11

Notes:

1. Assignment priorities are defined as follows:

14 MHz channels - from the highest channel downward;7 MHz channels - from the lowest channel upward.

- 2. Co-ordination with Defence is required for assignments in Canberra. All Defence co-ordination requirements should be addressed through ACA Central Office.
- 3. Assignments should not be made on the 7 MHz Ch1 to avoid band edge interference.
- 4. Potential for interference to and from adjacent 8 GHz band fixed services.

References

1. Rec. ITU-R F.385-6, "Radio-frequency channel arrangements for radio-relay systems operating in the 7 GHz band".

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PROTECTION RATIOS

1. Protection ratios required between digital systems operating on the same channel raster.

Co Channel:		60 dB
1st Adjacent Channel		30 dB
2nd Adjacent Channel	0 dB	

2. Protection ratios between systems using 3.5 MHz channels and systems using either 7 MHz or 14 MHz channels - see note 2.

Frequency Offset (MHz)	PROTECTION RATIO (dB)					
	3.5 MHz* 7 MHz 3.5 MHz* 14 MHz 3.5 MHz*					18 MHz*
	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow
	7 MHz	3.5 MHz*	14 MHz	3.5 MHz*	18 MHz*	3.5 MHz*
1.75	60	60	60	60	60	60
5.25	55	48	60	55	60	60
8.75	18	20	55	40	60	55
12.25			30	30	55	40
15.75				10	30	30

3. Protection ratios between systems using either 7 MHz or 14 MHz channels and systems using 18 MHz channels - see note 3.

Frequency Offset (MHz)	PROTECTION RATIO (dB)					
	7 MHz	14 MHz	7 MHz	18 MHz*	14 MHz	18 MHz*
	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow
	14 MHz	7 MHz	18 MHz*	7 MHz	18 MHz*	14 MHz
0	60	60	60	60	60	60
7	50	45	60	55	60	60
14	36	27	45	30	55	50
21					30	30

4. Protection ratios required between digital systems in the adjacent 8 GHz band.

Frequency Offset	PROTECTION RATIO (dB)					
(MHz)	Digital Interferer $Tx \rightarrow Digital Victim Rx$					
	7 MHz 7 MHz		14 MHz	14 MHz		
	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow	\downarrow		
	29.65 MHz	59.3 MHz	29.65 MHz	59.3 MHz		
10.875	58					
14.375			54.5			
25.7		64				
29.2				61		

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Notes:

- Protection ratio for digital systems are based on a 50 km path length and P_L (*Percentage of time that the average refractivity gradient in the lowest 100 m of the atmosphere is less than or equal to -100 N units/km*) of 20, for other path lengths and P_L values refer to the appropriate path length correction factors graph on the following page.
- The 3.5 MHz* table heading denotes systems operating under earlier arrangements which require 3.5 MHz bandwidth, new assignments are to be coordinated around these systems.
- 3. The 18 MHz* table heading denotes systems operating under earlier arrangements which require 18 MHz bandwidth, new assignments are to be coordinated around these systems.

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PROTECTION RATIO CORRECTION FACTORS



PL: Percentage of time that the average refractivity gradient in the lowest 100 m of the atmosphere is less than or equal to -100 N units/km.

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For further details refer to Annex A to Appendix 1.

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