

The Manager, Spectrum Licensing Policy Section
The Australian Communications and Media Authority
PPO Box 13112
Law Courts
MELBOURNE VIC 8010



Via the 'Have Your Say' web-portal

11 June 2024

Dear Sir/Madam,

AMTA appreciates the opportunity to respond to the ACMA's "*Proposed remake the Radiocommunications (Exemption) Determination 2021*" ("the consultation paper").

We acknowledge the changes *Radiocommunications Exemption) Determination 2021* and support the ACMA's proposal to re-make the determination, with the following amendments as summarised in the consultation paper:

1. *Changes to section 10 – device to be operated in a shielded enclosure, rather than screened room.*
2. *Repeal date be extended from three to five years.*
3. *Arrangements for named person exemptions.*

To date AMTA has had no reports from members that the development and testing of banned devices by the four named person exemptions has resulted in any interference event to their networks.

We note that the determination doesn't cover the use of these devices by the entities listed in Section 11 of this determination. AMTA members continue to request notifications from those parties on use of banned devices under exemption, in advance or immediately after a device has been used. The use of these devices does cause interference with mobile networks, by design. AMTA members may spend considerable resources investigating interference events if not notified of the use of a banned device under exemption.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C. Coughlan', written in a cursive style.

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