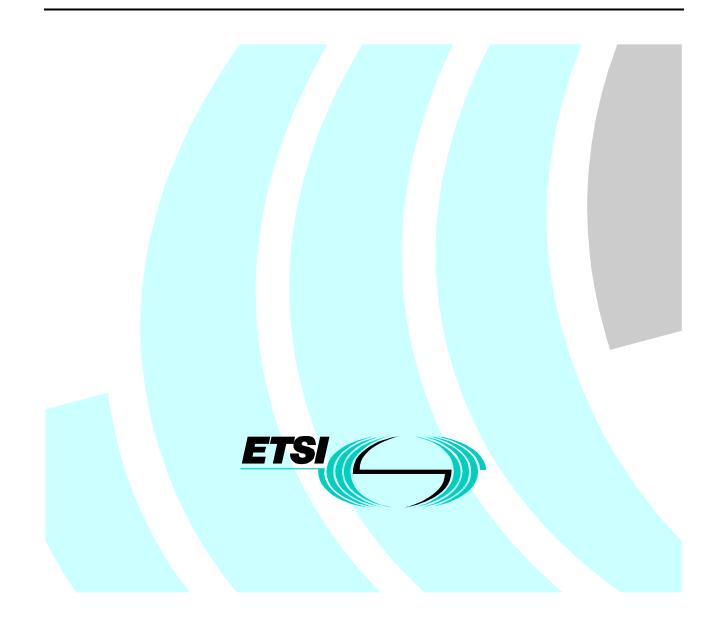
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Introduction

The present document has been produced by ETSI in response to a mandate from the European Commission issued under Council Directive 98/34/EC [9] laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical standards and regulations.

1 Scope

The present document lays down the minimum requirements for VHF radio transmitters and receivers operating on board ships in frequency bands allocated to the maritime mobile service, used on inland waterways as defined by Regional Agreements or responsible Administrations.

The present document applies to VHF transmitters and receivers fitted with a 50 Ω external antenna socket or connector for use on board ships on inland waterways and operating in the bands between 156 and 174 MHz allocated to the maritime mobile service by the Radio Regulations [1], appendices 18 and 19.

For countries where the Automatic Transmitter Identification System (ATIS) is mandatory, the requirements of annex B apply.

2 References

The following documents contain provisions which, through reference in this text, constitute provisions of the present document.

- References are either specific (identified by date of publication, edition number, version number, etc.) or non-specific.
- For a specific reference, subsequent revisions do not apply.
- For a non-specific reference, subsequent revisions do apply.
- A non-specific reference to an ETS shall also be taken to refer to later versions published as an EN with the same number.
- [1] ITU Radio Regulations (1990 Revised in 1994).
- [2] ITU-T Recommendation E.161 (1993): "Arrangement of digits, letters and symbols on telephones and other devices that can be used for gaining access to a telephone network".
- [3] ETSI EN 300 338: "Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM); Technical characteristics and methods of measurement for equipment for generation, transmission and reception of Digital Selective Calling (DSC) in the maritime MF, MF/HF and/or VHF mobile service".
- [4] IEC 61162-1: "Maritime navigation and radiocommunication equipment and systems Digital interfaces Part 1: Single talker and multiple listeners".
- [5] ISO 694: "Ships and marine technology Positioning of magnetic compasses in ships".
- [6] ETSI ETR 028: "Radio Equipment and Systems (RES); Uncertainties in the measurement of mobile radio equipment characteristics".
- [7] ITU-T Recommendation P.53: "Psophometer for use on telephone-type circuits".
- [8] ITU-R Recommendation M.493: "Digital selective-calling system for use in the maritime mobile service".
- [9] Council Directive 98/34/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 June 1998 laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical standards and regulations.

3 Definitions and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purposes of the present document, the terms and definitions given in the Radio Regulations [1] apply.

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3.2 Abbreviations

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

ad	amplitude difference
ATIS	Automatic Transmitter Identification System
DSC	Digital Selective Calling
DX	first transmission
emf	electromotive force
fd	frequency difference
RF	Radio Frequency
rms	root mean square
RX	re-transmission
SINAD	Signal + Noise + Distortion/Noise + Distortion
VSWR	Voltage Standing Wave Ratio

4 General requirements

4.1 Construction

The mechanical and electrical construction and finish of the equipment shall conform in all respects to good engineering practice, and the equipment shall be suitable for use on board ships.

All controls shall be of sufficient size to enable the usual control functions to be easily performed and the number of controls should be the minimum necessary for simple and satisfactory operation.

For the purpose of conformance testing, relevant technical documentation shall be supplied with the equipment.

The VHF maritime mobile service uses both single-frequency and two-frequency channels. For two-frequency channels the Radio Regulations require a separation of 4,6 MHz between the transmitting frequency and the receiving frequency.

The equipment shall be capable of operating on single frequency and two-frequency channels with manual control (simplex). It may also be capable of operating on two-frequency channels without manual control (duplex).

No scanning or multiple watch facilities shall be implemented.

The equipment shall be able to operate on all channels defined in the Radio Regulations [1], appendix 18.

Operation on channels 75 and 76 shall be prevented by appropriate means.

The equipment shall be so designed that use of channel 70 for purposes other than Digital Selective Calling (DSC) is prevented.

The Administration may grant permission for one or more channels in addition to those as defined by the Radio Regulations [1], appendix 18.

The possibility to apply automatic power reduction to any of these channels shall be available. It shall not be possible for the user to change the programmed settings of these channels.

The output power shall be automatically limited to a value between 0,5 and 1 W on the following channels:

- 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 71, 72, 74 and 77.

It shall not be possible to transmit while any frequency synthesizer used within the transmitter is out of lock.

It shall not be possible to transmit during channel switching operations.

4.2 Controls and indicators

The equipment shall have a channel selector and shall indicate the designator, as shown in the Radio Regulations [1], appendix 18, of the channel at which the installation is set. The channel designator shall be legible irrespective of the external lighting conditions.

Where an input panel on the equipment for entering the digits 0 - 9 is provided, this shall conform to ITU-T Recommendation E.161 [2].

The equipment shall have the following additional controls and indicators:

- an on/off switch for the entire installation with a visual indication that the installation is in operation;
- a manual non-locking push to talk switch to operate the transmitter;
- a manual switch for reducing the transmitter output power to a value between 0,5 and 1 W;
- an audio frequency power volume control not affecting the audio level of the handset;
- a squelch control;
- a control for reducing the brightness of the equipment illumination to zero;
- an output power detector giving a visual indication that the carrier is being produced.

The equipment shall also meet the following requirements:

- the user shall not have access to any control which, if wrongly set, might impair the technical characteristics of the equipment;
- if the accessible controls are located on a separate console and if there are two or more control consoles, one of the consoles shall have priority over the others. If there are two or more control consoles, the operation of one console shall be indicated on the other consoles.

4.3 Handset and loudspeaker

The equipment shall be fitted with an integral loudspeaker and/or a socket for an external loudspeaker and shall have the facility to be fitted with a telephone handset or a microphone.

During transmission in simplex operation the receiver output shall be muted.

During transmission in duplex operation, only the handset shall be operative. Measures shall be taken to ensure correct operation when duplex is used and precautions shall be taken to prevent harmful electrical or acoustic feedback which might produce oscillations.

4.4 Switching time

The channel switching arrangement shall be such that the time necessary to change over from using one of the channels to using any other channel does not exceed 5 s.

The time necessary to change over from transmission to reception or vice versa, shall not exceed 0,3 s.

4.5 Safety precautions

Measures shall be taken to protect the equipment against the effects of overcurrent or overvoltage.

Measures shall be taken to prevent damage to the equipment if the electrical power source produces transient voltage variations and to prevent any damage that might arise from an accidental reversal of polarity of the electrical power source.

Means shall be provided for earthing exposed metallic parts of the equipment but this shall not cause any terminal of the source of electrical energy to be earthed.

All components and wiring in which the dc or ac voltage (other than radio-frequency voltage) produce, singly or in combination, peak voltages in excess of 50 V shall be protected against any accidental access and shall be automatically isolated from all electrical power sources if the protective covers are removed. Alternatively, the equipment shall be constructed in such a way as to prevent access to components operating at such voltages unless an appropriate tool is used such as a nut-spanner or screwdriver. Conspicuous warning labels shall be affixed both inside the equipment and on the protective covers.

No damage to the equipment shall occur when the antenna port is placed on open circuit or short circuit for a period of at least 5 minutes in each case.

In order to provide protection against damage due to the build up of static voltages at the antenna port, there shall be a dc path from the antenna port to chassis not exceeding 100 k Ω .

The information in any volatile memory device shall be protected from interruptions in the power supply of up to 60 s duration.

4.6 Class of emission and modulation characteristics

The equipment shall use phase modulation, G3E (frequency modulation with a pre-emphasis of 6 dB/octave) for speech, and G2B for ATIS and DSC signalling where provided.

The equipment shall be designed to operate with a channel separation of 25 kHz.

The frequency deviation (G3E) corresponding to 100 % modulation shall be 5 kHz as nearly as practicable.

4.7 Facilities for DSC transmission and reception

VHF transmitters and receivers with an integral DSC modem or to be used with an external DSC modem shall also be tested in accordance with EN 300 338 [3] for DSC equipment.

VHF transmitters and receivers to be used for DSC shall also comply with the following:

- a) the DSC facility shall be capable of operating on at least channel 70;
- b) if the equipment is designed for connection of an external modem to the audio frequency port, the input and output impedances should be 600 Ω free of earth;
- c) if the equipment is designed for connection to an external DSC modem with binary inputs and outputs for DSC signals, the logic level and the appropriate functions shall comply with IEC 61162-1 [4].

4.8 Labelling

All controls, instruments, indicators and ports shall be clearly labelled.

Details of the power supply from which the equipment is intended to operate shall be clearly indicated on the equipment.

The equipment shall be clearly marked on the exterior with the identification of the manufacturer, type designation of the equipment, and the serial number of the unit.

The compass safe distance (ISO 694 [5] Method B) shall be stated on the equipment or in the technical manual.

4.9 Warm up

After being switched on the equipment shall be operational within 1 minute.

5 Test conditions, power sources and ambient temperatures

5.1 Normal and extreme test conditions

Conformance tests shall be made under normal test conditions and also, where stated, under extreme test conditions (subclauses 5.4.1 and 5.4.2 applied simultaneously).

5.2 Test power source

During conformance testing, the equipment shall be supplied from a test power source capable of producing normal and extreme test voltages as specified in subclauses 5.3.2 and 5.4.2.

The internal impedance of the test power source shall be low enough for its effect on the test results to be negligible. For the purpose of testing the power source voltage shall be measured at the power input port of the equipment.

During testing, the power source voltages shall be maintained within a tolerance of ± 3 % relative to the voltage level at the beginning of each test.

5.3 Normal test conditions

5.3.1 Normal temperature and humidity

The normal temperature and humidity conditions for tests shall be a combination of temperature and humidity within the following ranges:

- temperature: $+15^{\circ}C$ to $+35^{\circ}C$;
- relative humidity: 20 % to 75 %.

5.3.2 Normal power sources

5.3.2.1 Mains voltage and frequency

The normal test voltage for equipment to be connected to the ac mains shall be the nominal mains voltage. For the purpose of the present document, the nominal voltage shall be the declared voltage or any of the declared voltages for which the equipment is indicated as having been designed. The frequency of the test voltage shall be 50 Hz \pm 1 Hz.

5.3.2.2 Battery power source

Where the equipment is designed to operate from a battery, the normal test voltage shall be the nominal voltage of the battery (12 V, 24 V etc.).

5.3.2.3 Other power sources

For operation from other power sources the normal test voltage shall be that declared by the manufacturer.

5.4 Extreme test conditions

5.4.1 Extreme temperatures

For tests at extreme temperatures, measurements shall be made in accordance with subclause 5.5, at a lower temperature of $-15^{\circ}C \pm 3^{\circ}C$ and an upper temperature of $+55^{\circ}C \pm 3^{\circ}C$.

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5.4.2 Extreme values of test power sources

5.4.2.1 Mains voltage

The extreme test voltages for equipment to be connected to the ac mains shall be the nominal mains voltage ± 10 %.

5.4.2.2 Battery power source

Where the equipment is designed to operate from a battery, the extreme test voltages shall be 1,3 and 0,9 times the nominal voltage of the battery (12 V, 24 V etc.).

5.4.2.3 Other power sources

For operation from other power sources the extreme test voltages shall be agreed between the testing authority and the equipment manufacturer.

5.5 Procedure for tests at extreme temperatures

The equipment shall be placed in the test chamber at normal temperature. The maximum rate of raising or reducing the temperature of the chamber shall be 1°C/minute. The equipment shall be switched off during the temperature stabilizing periods.

Before conducting tests at extreme temperatures, the equipment in the test chamber shall have reached thermal equilibrium and be subjected to the extreme temperature for a period of 10 hours to 16 hours.

For tests at the lower extreme temperature, the equipment shall then be switched on to standby or receive condition for one minute, after which the equipment shall meet the requirements of the present document.

For tests at the higher extreme temperature, the equipment shall then be switched on in the high power transmit condition for half an hour, after which the equipment shall meet the requirements of the present document.

The temperature of the chamber shall be maintained at the extreme temperatures for the whole duration of the performance test.

At the end of the test, with the equipment still in the chamber, the chamber shall be brought to normal temperature in not less than 1 hour. The equipment shall then be exposed to normal temperature and relative humidity for not less than 3 hours or until moisture has dispersed, whichever is the longer, before the next test is carried out. Alternatively, observing the same precautions, the equipment may be returned direct to the conditions required for the start of the next test.

6 General conditions of measurement

6.1 Arrangements for test signals applied to the receiver

Test signal sources shall be connected to the receiver antenna port in such a way that the impedance presented to the receiver antenna port is 50 Ω , irrespective of whether one or more test signals are applied to the receiver simultaneously.

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The levels of the test signals shall be expressed in terms of the electromotive force (emf) at the terminals to be connected to the receiver.

The nominal frequency of the receiver is the carrier frequency of the selected channel.

6.2 Squelch

Unless otherwise specified, the receiver squelch facility shall be made inoperative for the duration of the conformance tests.

6.3 Normal test modulation

For normal test modulation, the modulation frequency shall be 1 kHz and the frequency deviation shall be 3 kHz.

6.4 Artificial antenna

When tests are carried out with an artificial antenna, this shall be a non-reactive, non-radiating 50 Ω load. Conformance tests of Radio Frequency (RF) characteristics are performed using an artificial antenna, however the manufacturer should be aware that normally used VHF antennas when installed, although presenting a nominal impedance of 50 Ω , may exhibit Voltage Standing Wave Ratios (VSWR) up to 2 depending on the frequency in use. Under such conditions the equipment is required to function correctly.

6.5 Arrangements for test signals applied to the transmitter

For the purpose of the present document, the audio frequency modulating signal applied to the transmitter shall be produced by a signal generator applied to the connection terminals replacing the microphone transducer.

6.6 Tests on equipment with a duplex filter

If the equipment has an integral duplex filter or a separate associated duplex filter, the characteristics of the present document shall be met, with the measurements carried out using the antenna port of the filter.

6.7 Test channels

Conformance tests shall be made on at least the highest frequency and the lowest frequency within the equipment's frequency band, and on channel 16.

6.8 Measurement uncertainty and interpretation of the measured results

6.8.1 Measurement uncertainty

Table 1: Absolute measurement uncertainties: maximum values

Parameter	Maximum uncertainty
RF frequency	±1 x 10 ⁻⁷
RF power	±0,75 dB
Maximum frequency deviation:	
- within 300 Hz to 6 kHz of modulation frequency	±5 %
 within 6 kHz to 25 kHz of modulation frequency 	±3 dB
Deviation limitation	±5 %
Adjacent channel power	±5 dB
Conducted spurious emission of transmitter	±4 dB
Audio output power	±0,5 dB
Amplitude characteristics of receiver limiter	±1,5 dB
Sensitivity at 20 dB SINAD	±3 dB
Conducted emission of receiver	±3 dB
Two-signal measurement	±4 dB
Three-signal measurement	±3 dB
Radiated emission of transmitter	±6 dB
Radiated emission of receiver	±6 dB
Transmitter transient time	±20 %
Transmitter transient frequency	±250 Hz
Receiver desensitization (duplex operation)	±0,5 dB

For the test methods according to the present document the uncertainty figures are valid to a confidence level of 95 % calculated according to the methods described in ETR 028 [6].

6.8.2 Interpretation of the measurement results

The interpretation of the results recorded in a test report for the measurements described in the present document shall be as follows:

- the measured value related to the corresponding limit will be used to decide whether an equipment meets the requirements of the present document;
- the measurement uncertainty value for the measurement of each parameter shall be included in the test report;
- the recorded value of the measurement uncertainty shall be, for each measurement, equal to or lower than the figures in table 1.

7 Environmental tests

7.1 Introduction

The equipment shall be capable of continuous operation under the conditions of various sea states, vibration, humidity and change of temperature likely to be experienced in a ship in which it is installed.

7.2 Procedure

Environmental tests shall be carried out before any other tests of the same equipment in respect to the other requirements of the present document are performed.

Unless otherwise stated, the equipment shall be connected to an electrical power source during the periods for which it is specified that electrical tests shall be carried out. These tests shall be performed using normal test voltage.

7.3 Performance check

For the purpose of the present document, the term "performance check" shall be taken to mean a visual inspection that there is no visible damage or deterioration and the following measurements and limits:

- for the transmitter:
 - carrier frequency:
 - with the transmitter connected to an artificial antenna (see subclause 6.4), the transmitter shall be tuned to channel 16 without modulation. The carrier frequency shall be within ± 1.5 kHz of 156,8 MHz;
 - output power:
 - with the transmitter connected to an artificial antenna (see subclause 6.4), the transmitter shall be tuned to channel 16. With the output powers switch set at maximum, the output power shall be between 6 W and 25 W.
- for the receiver:
 - maximum usable sensitivity:
 - the receiver shall be tuned to channel 16 and a test signal at the nominal frequency of the receiver modulated with normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3) shall be applied. The level of the input signal shall be adjusted until the Signal + Noise + Distortion/Noise + Distortion (SINAD) at the output of the receiver is 20 dB and the output power is at least the rated output power (see subclause 9.1). The level of the input signal shall be less than +12 dBµV.

7.4 Vibration

The equipment complete with any shock and vibration absorbers with which it is provided, shall be clamped to the vibration table by its normal means of support and in its normal attitude. The equipment may be resiliently suspended to compensate for weight not capable of being withstood by the vibration table. Provision may be made to reduce or nullify any adverse effect on equipment performance which could be caused by the presence of any electromagnetic field due to the vibration unit.

The equipment shall be subjected to sinusoidal vertical vibration at all frequencies between:

- 2,5 Hz and up to 13,2 Hz with an excursion of ± 1 mm, $\pm 10 \%$ (7 m/s² maximum acceleration at 13,2 Hz);
- above 13,2 Hz and up to 100 Hz with a constant maximum acceleration of 7 m/s^2 .

The frequency sweep rate shall be slow enough to allow the detection of resonances in any part of the equipment.

A resonance search shall be carried out throughout the test. If any resonance of the equipment has a Q > 5 measured relative to the bed of the vibration table, the equipment shall be subjected to a vibration endurance test at each resonant frequency at the vibration level specified in the test with a duration of not less than 2 hours. If no such resonance occurs, the endurance test shall be carried out at a frequency of 30 Hz.

Performance checks shall be carried out throughout the test period.

The procedure shall be repeated with vibration in each of two mutually perpendicular directions in the horizontal plane.

7.5 Damp heat cycle

The equipment shall be placed in a chamber at normal room temperature and relative humidity. Then the temperature shall be raised to $+40^{\circ}C \pm 2^{\circ}C$ and the relative humidity raised to 93 % ± 3 % over a period of 3 hours ± 0.5 hours.

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These conditions shall be maintained for a period of 10 hours to 16 hours.

After this period the equipment shall be switched on and shall be kept operational for at least 2 hours. In the last 30 minutes of this test the equipment shall be subjected to a performance check.

The temperature and relative humidity of the chamber shall be maintained as specified during the whole test period.

At the end of this test, with the equipment still in the chamber, the chamber shall be brought to room temperature in not less than 1 hour.

8 Transmitter

All tests on the transmitter shall be carried out with the output power switch set at its maximum except where otherwise stated.

8.1 Frequency error

8.1.1 Definition

The frequency error is the difference between the measured carrier frequency and its nominal value.

8.1.2 Method of measurement

The carrier frequency shall be measured in the absence of modulation, with the transmitter connected to an artificial antenna (see subclause 6.4). Measurements shall be made under normal test conditions (see subclause 5.3) and under extreme test conditions (subclauses 5.4.1 and 5.4.2 applied simultaneously).

This test shall be carried out with the output power switch being set at both maximum and minimum.

8.1.3 Limits

The frequency error shall be within $\pm 1,5$ kHz.

8.2 Carrier power

8.2.1 Definitions

The carrier power is the mean power delivered to the artificial antenna during one radio frequency cycle in the absence of modulation.

The rated output power is the carrier power declared by the manufacturer.

8.2.2 Method of measurement

The transmitter shall be connected to an artificial antenna (see subclause 6.4) and the power delivered to this artificial antenna shall be measured. The measurements shall be made under normal test conditions (see subclause 5.3) and under extreme test conditions (subclauses 5.4.1 and 5.4.2 applied simultaneously).

8.2.3 Limits

8.2.3.1 Normal test conditions

The carrier power measured under normal test conditions with the output power switch set at maximum, shall remain between 6 W and 25 W and not differ by more than $\pm 1,5$ dB from the rated output power.

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With the output power switch set at minimum, or when the power is reduced automatically, the carrier power shall remain between 0,5 W and 1 W.

8.2.3.2 Extreme test conditions

With the output power switch set at maximum, the carrier power shall remain between 6 W and 25 W and be within +2 dB, -3 dB of the rated output power under extreme conditions.

With the output power switch set at minimum, or when the power is reduced automatically, the carrier power shall remain between 0,5 W and 1 W.

8.3 Frequency deviation

8.3.1 Definition

The frequency deviation is the difference between the instantaneous frequency of the modulated radio frequency signal and the carrier frequency.

8.3.2 Maximum frequency deviation

8.3.2.1 Method of measurement

The frequency deviation shall be measured at the output with the transmitter connected to an artificial antenna (see subclause 6.4), by means of a deviation meter capable of measuring the maximum deviation, including that due to any harmonics and intermodulation products which may be generated in the transmitter.

The modulation frequency shall be varied between 100 Hz and 3 kHz. The level of this test signal shall be 20 dB above the level which produces normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3). This test shall be carried out with the output power switch set at both maximum and minimum.

8.3.2.2 Limits

The maximum frequency deviation shall not exceed ± 5 kHz.

8.3.3 Frequency deviation at modulation frequencies above 3 kHz

8.3.3.1 Method of measurement

The transmitter shall operate under normal test conditions (see subclause 5.3) connected to an artificial antenna as specified in subclause 6.4. The transmitter shall be modulated by the normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3). With the input level of the modulation signal being kept constant, the modulation frequency shall be varied between 3 kHz and 25 kHz and the frequency deviation shall be measured.

8.3.3.2 Limits

For modulation frequencies between 3 kHz and 6 kHz the frequency deviation shall not exceed the frequency deviation with a modulation frequency of 3 kHz. For a modulation frequency of 6 kHz, the frequency deviation shall not exceed ± 1.5 kHz, as shown in figure 1.

For modulation frequencies between 6 kHz and 25 kHz, the frequency deviation shall not exceed that given by a linear response of frequency deviation (in dB) against modulation frequency, starting at the point where the modulation frequency is 6 kHz and the frequency deviation is $\pm 1,5$ kHz and inclined at 14 dB per octave, with the frequency deviation diminishing as the modulation frequency increases, as shown in figure 1.

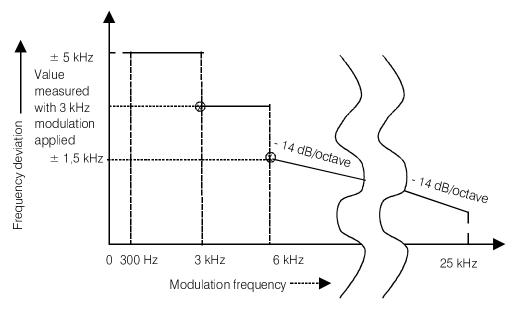


Figure 1: Frequency deviation limits

8.4 Limitation characteristics of the modulator

8.4.1 Definition

This characteristic expresses the capability of the transmitter of being modulated with a deviation approaching the maximum deviation specified in subclause 8.3.2.

8.4.2 Method of measurement

A modulation signal at a frequency of 1 kHz shall be applied to the transmitter, and its level adjusted so that the frequency deviation is ± 1 kHz. The level of the modulation signal shall then be increased by 20 dB and the deviation shall again be measured. This test shall be conducted under normal test conditions (see subclause 5.3) and under extreme test conditions (subclauses 5.4.1 and 5.4.2 applied simultaneously).

This test shall be carried out with the output power switch being set at both maximum and minimum.

8.4.3 Limits

The frequency deviation shall be contained between ± 3.5 kHz and ± 5 kHz (see figure 1).

8.5 Sensitivity of the modulator, including microphone

8.5.1 Definition

This characteristic expresses the capability of the transmitter to produce sufficient modulation when an audio frequency signal corresponding to the normal mean speech level is applied to the microphone.

8.5.2 Method of measurement

An acoustic signal with a frequency of 1 kHz shall be applied to the microphone, and adjusted in level to produce a frequency deviation of \pm 3 kHz. The microphone shall be replaced by a sound level meter and the acoustic level measured.

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8.5.3 Limits

The sound level applied to the microphone shall be 94 dBA \pm 3 dB.

8.6 Audio frequency response

8.6.1 Definition

The audio frequency response is the frequency deviation of the transmitter as a function of the modulation frequency.

8.6.2 Method of measurement

A modulation signal at a frequency of 1 kHz shall be applied to the transmitter and the deviation shall be measured at the output. The audio input level shall be adjusted so that the frequency deviation is ± 1 kHz. This is the reference point in figure 2 (1 kHz corresponds to 0 dB).

The modulation frequency shall then be varied between 300 Hz and 3 kHz, with the level of the audio frequency signal being kept constant and equal to the value specified above.

8.6.3 Limit

The audio frequency response shall be within +1 dB and -3 dB of a 6 dB / octave line passing through the reference point (see figure 2).

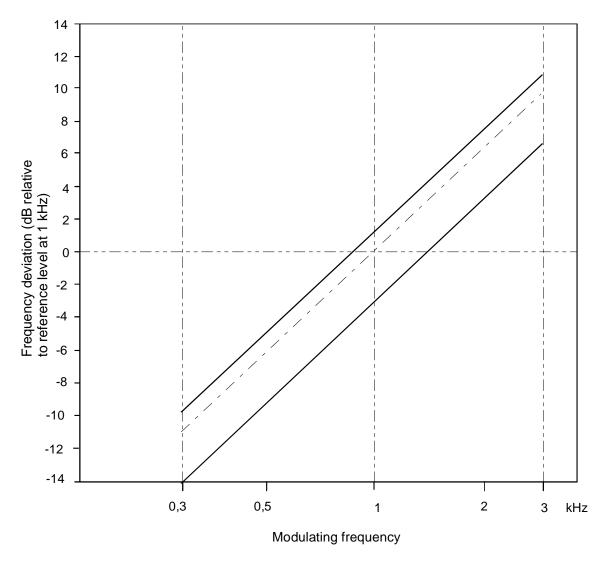


Figure 2: Audio frequency response

8.7 Audio frequency harmonic distortion of the emission

8.7.1 Definition

The harmonic distortion of the emission modulated by an audio frequency signal is defined as the ratio, expressed as a percentage, of the root mean square (rms) voltage of all the harmonic components of the fundamental frequency to the total rms voltage of the signal after linear demodulation.

8.7.2 Method of measurement

The RF signal produced by the transmitter shall be applied via an appropriate coupling device to a linear demodulator with a de-emphasis network of 6 dB per octave. This test shall be carried out with the output power switch set at maximum.

8.7.2.1 Normal test conditions

Under normal test conditions (see subclause 5.3) the RF signal shall be modulated successively at frequencies of 300 Hz, 500 Hz and 1 kHz with a constant modulation index of 3.

The distortion of the audio frequency signal shall be measured at all the frequencies specified above.

8.7.2.2 Extreme test conditions

Under extreme test conditions (subclauses 5.4.1 and 5.4.2 applied simultaneously), the measurements shall be carried out with the RF signal modulated at 1 kHz with a frequency deviation of ± 3 kHz.

8.7.3 Limit

The harmonic distortion shall not exceed 10 %.

8.8 Adjacent channel power

8.8.1 Definition

The adjacent channel power is that part of the total power output of a transmitter under defined conditions of modulation, which falls within a specified passband centred on the nominal frequency of either of the adjacent channels. This power is the sum of the mean power produced by the modulation, hum and noise of the transmitter.

8.8.2 Method of measurement

The adjacent channel power shall be measured with a power measuring receiver which conforms to annex A, further referred to as the "receiver":

- a) the transmitter shall be operated at the carrier power determined in subclause 8.2 under normal test conditions. The antenna port of the transmitter shall be linked to the input of the "receiver" by a connecting device such that the impedance presented to the transmitter is 50 Ω and the level at the "receiver" input is appropriate;
- b) with the transmitter unmodulated, the tuning of the "receiver" shall be adjusted so that a maximum response is obtained. This is the 0 dB response point. The "receiver" attenuator setting and the reading of the meter shall be recorded;

The measurement may be made with the transmitter modulated with normal test modulation, in which case this fact shall be recorded with the test results.

- c) the tuning of the "receiver" shall be adjusted away from the carrier so that the "receiver" -6 dB response nearest to the transmitter carrier frequency is located at a displacement from the nominal carrier frequency of 17 kHz;
- d) the transmitter shall be modulated with 1,25 kHz at a level which is 20 dB higher than that required to produce ± 3 kHz deviation;
- e) the "receiver" variable attenuator shall be adjusted to obtain the same meter reading as in step b) or a known relation to it;
- f) the ratio of adjacent channel power to carrier power is the difference between the attenuator settings in steps b) and e), corrected for any differences in the reading of the meter;
- g) the measurement shall be repeated with the "receiver" tuned to the other side of the carrier.

8.8.3 Limits

The adjacent channel power shall not exceed a value of 70 dB below the carrier power of the transmitter without any need to be below $0.2 \ \mu$ W.

8.9 Conducted spurious emissions conveyed to the antenna

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8.9.1 Definition

Conducted spurious emissions are emissions on a frequency or frequencies which are outside the necessary bandwidth and the level of which may be reduced without affecting the corresponding transmission of information. Spurious emissions include harmonic emissions, parasitic emissions, intermodulation products and frequency conversion products, but exclude out of band emissions.

8.9.2 Method of measurement

Conducted spurious emissions shall be measured with the unmodulated transmitter connected to the artificial antenna (see subclause 6.4).

The measurements shall be made over a range from 9 kHz to 2 GHz, excluding the channel on which the transmitter is operating and its adjacent channels.

The measurements for each spurious emission shall be made using a tuned radio measuring instrument or a spectrum analyser.

8.9.3 Limit

The power of any spurious emission on any discrete frequency shall not exceed 0,25 μ W.

8.10 Residual modulation of the transmitter

8.10.1 Definition

The residual modulation of the transmitter is the ratio, in dB, of the demodulated RF signal in the absence of wanted modulation, to the demodulated RF signal produced when the normal test modulation is applied.

8.10.2 Method of measurement

The normal test modulation defined in subclause 6.3 shall be applied to the transmitter. The RF signal produced by the transmitter shall be applied, via an appropriate coupling device, to a linear demodulator with a de-emphasis network of 6 dB per octave. The time constant of this de-emphasis network shall be at least 750 μ s.

Precautions shall be taken to avoid the effects of emphasizing the low audio frequencies produced by internal noise.

The signal shall be measured at the demodulator output using an rms voltmeter.

The modulation shall then be switched off and the level of the residual audio frequency signal at the output shall be measured again.

8.10.3 Limit

The residual modulation shall not exceed -40 dB.

8.11 Transient frequency behaviour of the transmitter

8.11.1 Definitions

The transient frequency behaviour of the transmitter is the variation in time of the transmitter frequency difference from the nominal frequency of the transmitter when the RF output power is switched on and off.

The following time period are defined:

- t_{on}: according to the method of measurement described in subclause 8.11.2 the switch-on instant t_{on} of a transmitter is defined by the condition when the output power, measured at the antenna port, exceeds 0,1 % of the nominal power;
- t₁: period of time starting at t_{on} and finishing according to table 2;
- t_2 : period of time starting at the end of t_1 and finishing according to table 2;
- t_{off}: switch-off instant defined by the condition when the nominal power falls below 0,1 % of the nominal power;
- t₃: period of time that finishing at t_{off} and starting according to table 2.

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t ₁ (ms)	5,0
t ₂ (ms)	20,0
t ₃ (ms)	5,0

8.11.2 Method of measurement

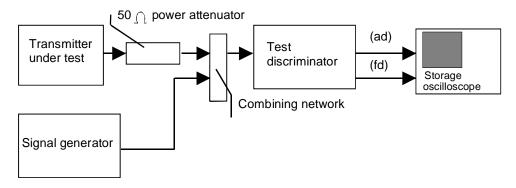


Figure 3: Measurement arrangement

The following method of measurement shall be used:

- two signals shall be connected to the test discriminator via a combining network (see subclause 6.1) as shown in figure 3;
- the transmitter shall be connected to a 50 Ω power attenuator;
- the output of the power attenuator shall be connected to the test discriminator via one input of the combining network;
- a test signal generator shall be connected to the second input of the combining network;
- the test signal shall be adjusted to the nominal frequency of the transmitter;
- the test signal shall be modulated by a frequency of 1 kHz with a deviation of 25 kHz;
- the test signal level shall be adjusted to correspond to 0,1 % of the power of the transmitter under test measured at the input of the test discriminator. This level shall be maintained throughout the measurement;
- the amplitude difference (ad) and the frequency difference (fd) output of the test discriminator shall be connected to a storage oscilloscope;
- the storage oscilloscope shall be set to display the channel corresponding to the (fd) input up to ±1 channel frequency difference, corresponding to the relevant channel separation, from the nominal frequency;

- the storage oscilloscope shall be set to a sweep rate of 10 ms/div. and set so that the triggering occurs at 1 div. from the left edge of the display;
- the display will show the 1 kHz test signal continuously;
- the storage oscilloscope shall then be set to trigger on the channel corresponding to the amplitude difference (ad) input at a low input level, rising;
- the transmitter shall then be switched on, without modulation, to produce the trigger pulse and a picture on the display;
- the result of the change in the ratio of power between the test signal and the transmitter output will, due to the capture ratio of the test discriminator, produce two separate sides on the picture, one showing the 1 kHz test signal, the other the frequency difference of the transmitter versus time;
- the moment when the 1 kHz test signal is completely suppressed is considered to provide ton;
- the periods of time t_1 and t_2 as defined in table 2 shall be used to define the appropriate template as shown in figure 4;
- the transmitter shall remain switched on;
- the storage oscilloscope shall be set to trigger on the channel corresponding to the amplitude difference (ad) input at a high input level, decaying and set so that the triggering occurs at 1 div. from the right edge of the display;
- the transmitter shall then be switched off;
- the moment when the 1 kHz test signal starts to rise is considered to provide toff;
- the period of time t_3 as defined in the table shall be used to define the appropriate template as shown in figure 4.

8.11.3 Limits

The results shall be recorded as frequency difference versus time.

During the periods of time t_1 and t_3 the frequency difference shall not exceed ± 25 kHz.

The frequency difference, after the end of t₂, shall be within the limit of the frequency error, see subclause 8.1.

During the period of time t_2 the frequency difference shall not exceed ±12,5 kHz.

Before the start of t_3 the frequency difference shall be within the limit of the frequency error, (see subclause 8.1).

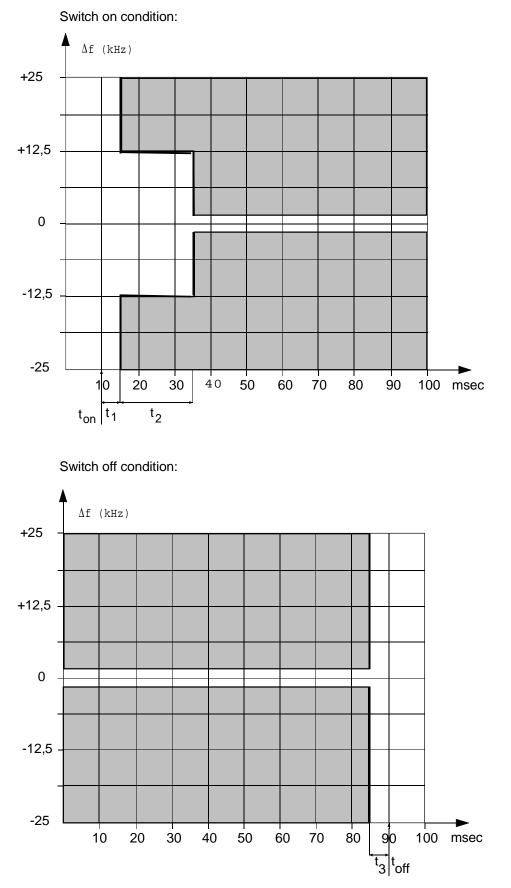


Figure 4

8.12 Cabinet radiation and conducted spurious emissions other than those conveyed to the antenna

8.12.1 Definitions

Cabinet radiation consists of emissions at frequencies, other than those of the carrier and the sideband components resulting from the wanted modulation process, which are radiated by the equipment cabinet and structures.

Conducted spurious emissions other than those conveyed to the antenna are emissions at frequencies, other than those of the carrier and the sideband components resulting from the wanted modulation process, which are produced by conduction in the wiring and accessories used with the equipment.

Integral antenna equipment shall be tested with the normal antenna fitted and the carrier frequency emission shall be filtered as described in the method of measurement.

8.12.2 Method of measurement

On a test site the equipment shall be placed at the specified height on a non-conducting support and in a position which is closest to normal use as declared by the manufacturer.

The transmitter antenna connector shall be connected to an artificial antenna, subclause 6.4.

The test antenna shall be orientated for vertical polarization and the length of the test antenna shall be chosen to correspond to the instantaneous frequency of the measuring receiver, or a suitable broadband antenna may be used.

The output of the test antenna shall be connected to a measuring receiver.

For integral antenna equipment testing, a filter shall be inserted between the test antenna and the measuring receiver. For the measurement of spurious emissions below the second harmonic of the carrier frequency the filter used shall be a high Q (notch) filter centred on the transmitter carrier frequency and attenuating this signal by at least 30 dB. For the measurement of spurious emissions at and above the second harmonic of the carrier frequency the filter used shall be a high pass filter with a stop band rejection exceeding 40 dB and the cut off frequency of this high pass filter shall be approximately 1,5 times the transmitter carrier frequency.

The transmitter shall be switched on without modulation, and the measuring receiver shall be tuned over the frequency range 30 MHz to 2 GHz, except for the channel on which the transmitter is intended to operate and its adjacent channels.

At each frequency at which a spurious component is detected:

- a) The test antenna shall be raised and lowered through the specified range of heights until a maximum signal level is detected on the measuring receiver.
- b) The transmitter shall be rotated through 360° in the horizontal plane, until the maximum signal level is detected by the measuring receiver.
- c) The maximum signal level detected by the measuring receiver shall be noted.
- d) The transmitter shall be replaced by a substitution antenna.
- e) The substitution antenna shall be orientated for vertical polarization and the length of the substitution antenna shall be adjusted to correspond to the frequency of the spurious component detected.
- f) The substitution antenna shall be connected to a calibrated signal generator.
- g) The frequency of the calibrated signal generator shall be set to the frequency of the spurious component detected.
- h) The input attenuator setting of the measuring receiver shall be adjusted in order to increase the sensitivity of the measuring receiver, if necessary.
- i) The test antenna shall be raised and lowered through the specified range of heights to ensure that the maximum signal is received.

j) The input signal to the substitution antenna shall be adjusted to the level that produces a level detected by the measuring receiver that is equal to the level noted while the spurious component was measured, corrected for the change of input attenuator setting of the measuring receiver.

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- k) The input level to the substitution antenna shall be recorded as power level, corrected for the change of input attenuator setting of the measuring receiver.
- 1) The measurement shall also be taken with the test antenna and the substitution antenna orientated for horizontal polarization.
- m) The effective radiated power of the spurious component is the larger of the two power levels recorded for that spurious component at the input to the substitution antenna, corrected to compensate for the gain of the antenna if necessary.
- n) The measurements shall be repeated with the transmitter in stand-by mode.

8.12.3 Limits

With the transmitter in stand-by mode the cabinet radiation and spurious emissions shall not exceed 2 nW.

With the transmitter in operation the cabinet radiation and spurious emissions shall not exceed $0.25 \ \mu$ W.

9 Receiver

9.1 Harmonic distortion and rated audio frequency output power

9.1.1 Definition

The harmonic distortion at the receiver output port is defined as the ratio, expressed as a percentage, of the total rms voltage of all the harmonic components of the modulation audio frequency to the total rms voltage of the signal delivered by the receiver.

The rated audio frequency output power is the value stated by the manufacturer to be the maximum power available at the output port, for which all the requirements of the present document are met.

9.1.2 Method of measurement

Test signals at levels of $+60 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$ and $+100 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$, at a carrier frequency equal to the nominal frequency of the receiver and modulated by the normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3) shall be applied in succession to the receiver antenna port under the conditions specified in subclause 6.1.

For each measurement, the receiver's audio frequency volume control shall be set so as to obtain, in a resistive load which simulates the receiver's operating load, the rated audio frequency output power (see subclause 9.1.1). The value of this load shall be stated by the manufacturer.

Under normal test conditions (see subclause 5.3) the test signals shall each be modulated successively at 300 Hz, 500 Hz and 1 kHz with a constant modulation index of 3 (ratio between the frequency deviation and the modulation frequency). The harmonic distortion and audio frequency output power shall be measured at all the frequencies specified above.

Under extreme test conditions (subclauses 5.4.1 and 5.4.2 applied simultaneously), the tests shall be made at the receiver's nominal frequency and at the nominal frequency $\pm 1,5$ kHz. For these tests, the modulation shall be 1 kHz and the frequency deviation shall be 3 kHz.

9.1.3 Limits

The rated audio frequency output power shall be at least:

- 2 W in a loudspeaker;
- 1 mW in the handset earphone.

The harmonic distortion shall not exceed 10 %.

9.2 Audio frequency response

9.2.1 Definition

The audio frequency response is the variation in the receiver's audio frequency output level as a function of the modulating frequency of the RF signal with constant deviation applied to its input.

9.2.2 Method of measurement

A test signal of $+60 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$, at a carrier frequency equal to the nominal frequency of the receiver, shall be applied to the receiver antenna port under the conditions specified in subclause 6.1.

The receiver's audio frequency power control shall be set so as to produce a power level equal to 50 % of the rated output power (see subclause 9.1) when the normal test modulation is applied in accordance with subclause 6.3. This setting shall remain unchanged during the test.

The frequency deviation shall then be reduced to 1 kHz and the audio output is the reference point in figure 5 (1 kHz corresponds to 0 dB).

The frequency deviation shall remain constant while the modulation frequency is varied between 300 Hz and 3 kHz and the output level shall then be measured.

The measurement shall be repeated with a test signal at frequencies 1,5 kHz above and below the nominal frequency of the receiver.

9.2.3 Limits

The audio frequency response shall not deviate by more than +1 dB or -3 dB from a characteristic giving the output level as a function of the audio frequency, decreasing by 6 dB per octave and passing through the measured point at 1 kHz (see figure 5).

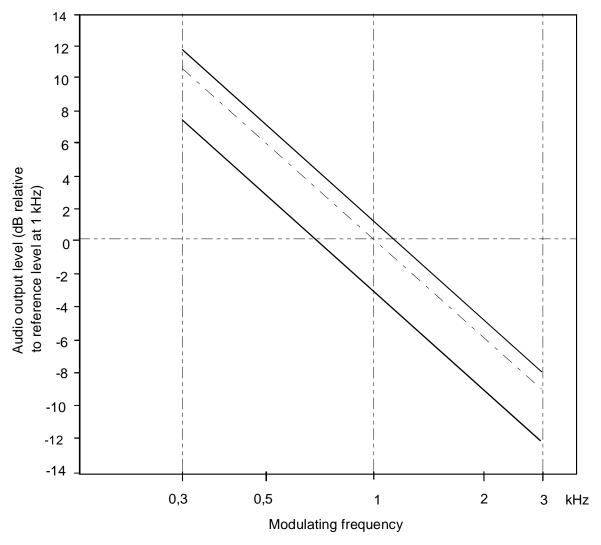


Figure 5: Audio frequency response

9.3 Maximum usable sensitivity

9.3.1 Definition

The maximum usable sensitivity of the receiver is the minimum level of the signal at the nominal frequency of the receiver which, when applied to the receiver antenna port with normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3), will produce:

- in all cases, an audio frequency output power equal to 50 % of the rated output power (see subclause 9.1); and
- a SINAD ratio of 20 dB, measured at the receiver output port through a psophometric telephone filtering network such as described in ITU-T Recommendation P.53 [7].

9.3.2 Method of measurement

A test signal at a carrier frequency equal to the nominal frequency of the receiver, modulated by the normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3) shall be applied to the receiver antenna port. An audio frequency load and a measuring instrument for measuring the SINAD ratio (through a psophometric network as specified in subclause 9.3.1) shall be connected to the receiver output port.

The level of the test signal shall be adjusted until a SINAD ratio of 20 dB is obtained, using the psophometric network and with the receiver's audio frequency power control adjusted to produce 50 % of the rated output power. Under these conditions, the level of the test signal at the antenna port is the value of the maximum usable sensitivity.

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The measurements shall be made under normal test conditions (see subclause 5.3) and under extreme test conditions (subclauses 5.4.1 and 5.4.2 applied simultaneously).

A receiver output power variation of ± 3 dB relative to 50 % of the rated output power may be allowed for sensitivity measurements under extreme test conditions.

9.3.3 Limits

The maximum usable sensitivity shall not exceed +6 $dB\mu V$ under normal test conditions and +12 $dB\mu V$ under extreme test conditions.

9.4 Co-channel rejection

9.4.1 Definition

The co-channel rejection is a measure of the capability of the receiver to receive a wanted modulated signal without exceeding a given degradation due to the presence of an unwanted modulated signal, both signals being at the nominal frequency of the receiver.

9.4.2 Method of measurement

The two input signals shall be connected to the receiver antenna port via a combining network (see subclause 6.1). The wanted signal shall have normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3). The unwanted signal shall be modulated by 400 Hz with a deviation of 3 kHz. Both input signals shall be at the nominal frequency of the receiver under test and the measurement repeated for displacements of the unwanted signal of up to plus and minus 3 kHz.

The wanted input signal level shall be set to the value corresponding to the maximum usable sensitivity as measured in subclause 9.3. The amplitude of the unwanted input signal shall then be adjusted until the SINAD ratio (psophometrically weighted) at the output port of the receiver is reduced to 14 dB.

The co-channel rejection ratio shall be expressed as the ratio in dB of the level of the unwanted signal to the level of the wanted signal at the receiver antenna port for which the specified reduction in SINAD ratio occurs.

9.4.3 Limit

The co-channel rejection ratio, at any frequency of the unwanted signal within the specified range, shall be between -10 dB and 0 dB.

9.5 Adjacent channel selectivity

9.5.1 Definition

The adjacent channel selectivity is a measure of the capability of the receiver to receive a wanted modulated signal without exceeding a given degradation due to the presence of an unwanted modulated signal which differs in frequency from the wanted signal by 25 kHz.

9.5.2 Method of measurement

The two input signals shall be applied to the receiver antenna port via a combining network (see subclause 6.1). The wanted signal shall be at the nominal frequency of the receiver and shall have normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3). The unwanted signal shall be modulated by 400 Hz with a deviation of 3 kHz, and shall be at the frequency of the channel immediately above that of the wanted signal.

The wanted input signal level shall be set to the value corresponding to the maximum usable sensitivity as measured in subclause 9.3. The amplitude of the unwanted input signal shall then be adjusted until the SINAD ratio at the receiver output port, psophometrically weighted, is reduced to 14 dB. The measurement shall be repeated with an unwanted signal at the frequency of the channel below that of the wanted signal.

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The adjacent channel selectivity shall be expressed as the lower value of the ratios in dB for the upper and lower adjacent channels of the level of the unwanted signal to the level of the wanted signal.

The measurements shall then be repeated under extreme test conditions (subclauses 5.4.1 and 5.4.2 applied simultaneously) with the wanted signal set to the value corresponding to the maximum usable sensitivity under these conditions.

9.5.3 Limits

The adjacent channel selectivity shall be not less than 70 dB under normal test conditions and not less than 60 dB under extreme test conditions.

9.6 Spurious response rejection

9.6.1 Definition

The spurious response rejection is a measure of the capability of the receiver to discriminate between the wanted modulated signal at the nominal frequency and an unwanted signal at any other frequency at which a response is obtained.

9.6.2 Method of measurement

Two input signals shall be applied to the receiver antenna port via a combining network (see subclause 6.1). The wanted signal shall be at the nominal frequency of the receiver and shall have normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3).

The unwanted signal shall be modulated by 400 Hz with a deviation of 3 kHz.

The wanted input signal level shall be set to the value corresponding to the maximum usable sensitivity as measured in subclause 9.3. The amplitude of the unwanted input signal shall be adjusted to +86 dB μ V. The frequency shall then be swept over the frequency range from 100 kHz to 2 000 MHz.

At any frequency at which a response is obtained, the input level shall be adjusted until the SINAD ratio psophometrically weighted, is reduced to 14 dB.

The spurious response rejection ratio shall be expressed as the ratio in dB between the unwanted signal and the wanted signal at the receiver antenna port when the specified reduction in the SINAD ratio is obtained.

9.6.3 Limit

At any frequency separated from the nominal frequency of the receiver by more than 25 kHz, the spurious response rejection ratio shall be not less than 70 dB.

9.7 Intermodulation response

9.7.1 Definition

The intermodulation response is a measure of the capability of a receiver to receive a wanted modulated signal without exceeding a given degradation due to the presence of two or more unwanted signals with a specific frequency relationship to the wanted signal frequency.

9.7.2 Method of measurement

Three signal generators, A, B and C shall be connected to the receiver antenna port via a combining network (see subclause 6.1). The wanted signal, represented by signal generator A shall be at the nominal frequency of the receiver and shall have normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3). The unwanted signal from signal generator B shall be unmodulated and adjusted to the frequency 50 kHz above (or below) the nominal frequency of the receiver. The second unwanted signal from signal generator C shall be modulated by 400 Hz with a deviation of 3 kHz, and adjusted to a frequency 100 kHz above (or below) the nominal frequency of the receiver.

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The wanted input signal shall be set to a value corresponding to the maximum usable sensitivity as measured in subclause 9.3. The amplitude of the two unwanted signals shall be maintained equal and shall be adjusted until the SINAD ratio at the receiver output port, psophometrically weighted, is reduced to 14 dB. The frequency of signal generator B shall be adjusted slightly to produce the maximum degradation of the SINAD ratio. The level of the two unwanted test signals shall be readjusted to restore the SINAD ratio of 14 dB. The intermodulation response ratio shall be expressed as the ratio in dB between the two unwanted signals and the wanted signal at the receiver antenna port, when the specified reduction in the SINAD ratio is obtained.

9.7.3 Limit

The intermodulation response ratio shall be greater than 68 dB.

9.8 Blocking or desensitization

9.8.1 Definition

Blocking is a change (generally a reduction) in the wanted output power of the receiver or a reduction of the SINAD ratio due to an unwanted signal on another frequency.

9.8.2 Method of measurement

Two input signals shall be applied to the receiver antenna port via a combining network (see subclause 6.1). The modulated wanted signal shall be at the nominal frequency of the receiver and shall have normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3). Initially the unwanted signal shall be switched off and the wanted signal set to the value corresponding to the maximum usable sensitivity.

The audio frequency power volume control shall be adjusted, where applicable, to 50 % of the rated output power and in the case of stepped volume controls, to the first step that provides an output power of at least 50 % of the rated output power. The unwanted signal shall be unmodulated and the frequency shall be swept between +1 MHz and +10 MHz, and also between -1 MHz and -10 MHz, relative to the nominal frequency of the receiver. The input level of the unwanted signal, at all frequencies in the specified ranges, shall be so adjusted that the unwanted signal causes:

- a) a reduction of 3 dB in the output level of the wanted signal; or
- b) a reduction to 14 dB of the SINAD ratio at the receiver output port using a psophometric telephone filtering network such as described in ITU-T Recommendation P.53 [7] whichever occurs first.

This level shall be noted.

9.8.3 Limit

The blocking level for any frequency within the specified ranges, shall be not less than 90 dB μ V, except at frequencies on which spurious responses are found (see subclause 9.6).

9.9 Conducted spurious emissions conveyed to the antenna

9.9.1 Definition

Conducted spurious emissions are components at any frequency generated in the receiver and radiated by its antenna.

The level of spurious emissions shall be measured by their power level in a transmission line or antenna.

9.9.2 Method of measurement

Spurious radiations shall be measured as the power level of any discrete signal at the antenna port of the receiver. The receiver antenna port is connected to a spectrum analyser or selective voltmeter having an input impedance of 50 Ω and the receiver is switched on.

If the detecting device is not calibrated in terms of power input, the level of any detected components shall be determined by a substitution method using a signal generator.

The measurements shall extend over the frequency range of 9 kHz to 2 GHz.

9.9.3 Limit

The power of any spurious component between 9 kHz and 2 GHz shall not exceed 2 nW.

9.10 Amplitude response of the receiver limiter

9.10.1 Definition

The amplitude response of the receiver limiter is the relationship between the radio frequency input level of a specific modulated signal and the audio frequency level at the receiver output port.

9.10.2 Method of measurement

A test signal at the nominal frequency of the receiver and modulated by the normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3) at a level of $+6 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$ shall be applied to the receiver antenna port and the audio frequency output level shall be adjusted to a level of 6 dB lower than the rated output power (see subclause 9.1). The level of the input signal shall be increased to $+100 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$ and the audio frequency output level shall be measured again.

9.10.3 Limit

When the radio frequency input level is varied as specified, the variation between the maximum and minimum value of the audio frequency output level shall not exceed 3 dB.

9.11 Receiver noise and hum level

9.11.1 Definition

The receiver noise and hum level is defined as the ratio, in dB, of the audio frequency power of the noise and hum resulting from spurious effects of the power supply system or from other causes, to the audio frequency power produced by a high frequency signal of average level, modulated by the normal test modulation and applied to the receiver antenna port.

9.11.2 Method of measurement

A test signal with a level of $+30 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$ at a carrier frequency equal to the nominal frequency of the receiver, and modulated by the normal test modulation specified in subclause 6.3, shall be applied to the receiver antenna port. An audio frequency load shall be connected to the output port of the receiver. The audio frequency power control shall be set so as to produce the rated output power level conforming to subclause 9.1.

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The output signal shall be measured with an rms voltmeter. The modulation shall then be switched off and the audio frequency output level measured again.

9.11.3 Limit

The receiver noise and hum level shall not exceed -40 dB.

9.12 Squelch operation

9.12.1 Definition

The purpose of the squelch facility is to mute the receiver audio output signal when the level of the signal at the receiver antenna port is less than a given value.

9.12.2 Method of measurement

The following method of measurement shall be used:

- a) with the squelch facility switched off, a test signal of $+30 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$, at a carrier frequency equal to the nominal frequency of the receiver and modulated by the normal test modulation specified in subclause 6.3, shall be applied to the antenna port of the receiver. An audio frequency load and a psophometric filtering network (see subclause 9.3.1) shall be connected to the output port of the receiver. The receiver's audio frequency power control shall be set so as to produce the rated output power defined in subclause 9.1:
 - the output signal shall be measured with an rms voltmeter;
 - the input signal shall then be suppressed, the squelch facility switched on and the audio frequency output level measured again.
- b) with the squelch facility switched off again, a test signal modulated by the normal test modulation shall be applied to the receiver antenna port at a level of $+6 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$ and the receiver shall be set to produce 50 % of the rated output power. The level of the input signal shall then be reduced and the squelch facility shall be switched on. The input signal shall then be increased until the above-mentioned output power is reached. The SINAD ratio and the input level shall then be measured;
- c) (applicable only to equipment with continuously adjustable squelch control) with the squelch facility switched off, a test signal with normal test modulation shall be applied to the receiver antenna port at a level of +6 dB μ V, and the receiver shall be adjusted to give 50 % of the rated audio output power. The squelch facility shall then be switched on at its maximum position and the level of the input signal increased until the output power again is 50 % of the rated audio output power.

9.12.3 Limits

Under the conditions specified in a) subclause 9.12.2, the audio frequency output power shall not exceed -40 dB relative to the rated output power.

Under the conditions specified in b) subclause 9.12.2, the input level shall not exceed +6 dB μ V and the SINAD ratio shall be at least 20 dB.

Under the conditions specified in c) subclause 9.12.2, the input signal shall not exceed $+6 \text{ dB}\mu\text{V}$ when the control is set at maximum.

9.13.1 Definition

Squelch hysteresis is the difference in dB between the receiver input signal levels at which the squelch opens and closes.

9.13.2 Method of measurement

If there is any squelch control on the exterior of the equipment it shall be placed in its maximum muted position. With the squelch facility switched on, an unmodulated input signal at a carrier frequency equal to the nominal frequency of the receiver shall be applied to the antenna port of the receiver at a level sufficiently low to avoid opening the squelch. The input signal shall be increased to the level just opening the squelch. This input level shall be recorded. With the squelch still open, the level of the input signal shall be slowly decreased until the squelch mutes the receiver audio output again.

9.13.3 Limit

The squelch hysteresis shall be between 3 dB and 6 dB.

9.14 Radiated spurious emissions

9.14.1 Definition

Radiated spurious emissions from the receiver are components at any frequency radiated by the equipment cabinet and the structure.

Integral antenna equipment shall be tested with the normal antenna fitted.

9.14.2 Method of measurements

On a test site the equipment shall be placed at the specified height on a non-conducting support and in a position which is closest to normal use as declared by the manufacturer.

The test antenna shall be orientated for vertical polarization and the length of the test antenna shall be chosen to correspond to the instantaneous frequency of the measuring receiver, or a suitable broadband antenna may be used.

The output of the test antenna shall be connected to a measuring receiver.

The receiver shall be switched on without modulation, and measuring receiver shall be tuned over the frequency range 30 MHz to 2 GHz.

At each frequency at which a spurious component is detected:

- a) The test antenna shall be raised and lowered through the specified range of heights until a maximum signal level is detected on the measuring receiver.
- b) The receiver shall be rotated through 360° in the horizontal plane, until the maximum signal level is detected by the measuring receiver.
- c) The maximum signal level detected by the measuring receiver shall be noted.
- d) The receiver shall be replaced by a substitution antenna.
- e) The substitution antenna shall be orientated for vertical polarization and the length of the substitution antenna shall be adjusted to correspond to the frequency of the spurious component detected.
- f) The substitution antenna shall be connected to a calibrated signal generator.
- g) The frequency of the calibrated signal generator shall be set to the frequency of the spurious component detected.

- h) The input attenuator setting of the measuring receiver shall be adjusted in order to increase the sensitivity of the measuring receiver, if necessary.
- i) The test antenna shall be raised and lowered through the specified range of heights to ensure that the maximum signal is received.
- j) The input signal to the substitution antenna shall be adjusted to the level that produces a level detected by the measuring receiver that is equal to the level noted while the spurious component was measured, corrected for the change of input attenuator setting of the measuring receiver.
- k) The input level to the substitution antenna shall be recorded as power level, corrected for the change of input attenuator setting of the measuring receiver.
- 1) The measurement shall also be taken with the test antenna and the substitution antenna orientated for horizontal polarization.
- m) The effective radiated power of the spurious component is the larger of the two power levels recorded for that spurious component at the input to the substitution antenna, corrected to compensate for the gain of the antenna if necessary.

9.14.3 Limit

The power of any spurious radiation shall not exceed 2 nW at any frequency in the range between 30 MHz and 2 GHz.

10 Duplex operation

If the equipment is designed for duplex operation, when submitted for conformance testing it shall be fitted with a duplex filter and the following additional measurements shall be carried out to ensure satisfactory duplex operation.

10.1 Receiver desensitization with simultaneous transmission and reception

10.1.1 Definition

The desensitization is the degradation of the sensitivity of the receiver resulting from the transfer of power from the transmitter to the receiver due to coupling effects.

It is expressed as the difference in dB of the maximum usable sensitivity levels with simultaneous transmission and without.

10.1.2 Method of measurement

The antenna port of the equipment comprising the receiver, transmitter and duplex filter shall be connected through a coupling device to the artificial antenna specified in subclause 6.4.

A signal generator with normal test modulation (see subclause 6.3) shall be connected to the coupling device so that it does not affect the impedance matching.

The transmitter shall be brought into operation at the carrier output power as defined in subclause 8.2, modulated by 400 Hz with a deviation of 3 kHz.

The receiver sensitivity shall then be measured in accordance with subclause 9.3.

The output level of the signal generator shall be recorded as C in dBµV.

The transmitter shall be switched off and the receiver sensitivity is again measured.

The output level of the signal generator shall be recorded as D in $dB\mu V$.

The desensitization is the difference between the values of C and D.

10.1.3 Limits

The desensitization shall not exceed 3 dB. The maximum usable sensitivity under conditions of simultaneous transmission and reception shall not exceed the limits specified in subclause 9.3.3.

10.2 Receiver spurious response rejection

The receiver spurious response rejection shall be measured as specified in subclause 9.6 with the equipment arrangement described in subclause 10.1.2, except that the transmitter shall be unmodulated. The transmitter shall be operated at the carrier output power as defined in subclause 8.2.

The limit given in subclause 9.6.3 applies.

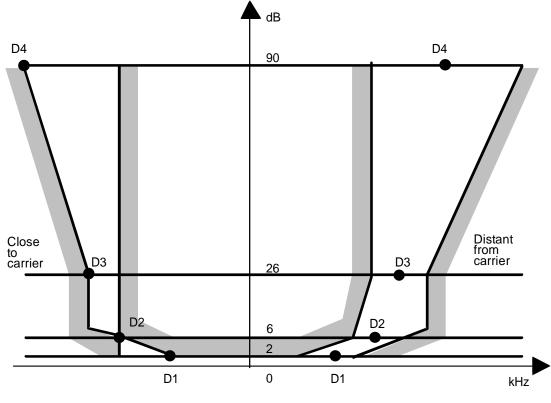
Annex A (normative): Power measuring receiver

A.1 Power measuring receiver specification

The power measuring receiver consists of a mixer, an IF filter, and oscillator, an amplifier, a variable attenuator and an rms value indicator. Instead of the variable attenuator with the rms value indicator it is also possible to use an rms voltmeter calibrated in dB. The technical characteristics of the power measuring receiver are given below.

A.1.1 IF filter

The IF filter shall be within the limits of the selectivity characteristics shown in figure A.1.



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The selectivity characteristic shall keep the frequency separations shown in table A.1 from the nominal centre frequency of the adjacent channel.

Frequency separation of filter curve from nominal centre frequency of adjacent channel (kHz)				
D1	D2	D3	D4	
5	8,0	9,25	13,25	

The attenuation points close to carrier shall not exceed the tolerances shown in table A.2.

	Tolerance range (kHz)				
D1 D2 D3 D4					
+3,1 ±0,1 -1,35 -5,35					

The attenuation points distant from the carrier shall not exceed the tolerances shown in table A.3.

Table A.3: Attenuation points distant from the carrier

Tolerance range (kHz)					
D1 D2 D3 D4					
±3,5	±3,5	±3,5	+3,5 -7.5		

The minimum attenuation of the filter outside the 90 dB attenuation points shall be equal to or greater than 90 dB.

A.1.2 Attenuation indicator

The attenuation indicator shall have a minimum range of 80 dB and a reading accuracy of 1 dB. With a view to future developments an attenuation of 90 dB or more is recommended.

A.1.3 RMS value indicator

The instrument shall accurately indicate non-sinusoidal signals with a crest factor of 10.

A.1.4 Oscillator and amplifier

The oscillator and the amplifier shall be designed in such a way that the measurement of the adjacent channel power of a low-noise unmodulated transmitter, whose self-noise has a negligible influence on the measurement result, yields a measured value of < -90 dB.

Annex B (normative): Automatic Transmitter Identification System (ATIS)

B.1 System description

The Automatic Transmitter Identification System is a synchronous system using a ten-unit error-detecting code. The system is, for its relevant parts, based on ITU-R Recommendation M.493 [8].

B.1.1 General

The ATIS facility shall generate the identification signal automatically.

The ATIS signal shall be transmitted at the end of each transmission. In case a continuous transmission takes place, the ATIS signal shall be transmitted at least once in each five minutes period. The end of a transmission is considered to be every release of the "push-to-talk" switch of the equipment.

The ATIS signal shall be transmitted on all channels available in the VHF radiotelephone installation.

If the VHF radiotelephone installation is equipped with a DSC facility in conformity with ITU-R Recommendation M.493 [8], the ATIS signal may be inhibited when a DSC call is made.

If the VHF radiotelephone installation is equipped with a facility to transmit data, the transmission of an ATIS signal may be inhibited if the data protocol contains the identification of the transmitting station. During subsequent correspondence the ATIS signal shall be transmitted periodically.

B.1.2 Technical requirements

The ATIS facility shall in no way influence the functioning of other communication or navigational equipment.

During the transmission of the ATIS signal:

- the RF output power of the transmitter shall be retained at nominal value;
- any other audio modulation input shall be automatically inhibited.

It shall not be possible for the operator to disconnect or to change the programming of the ATIS facility.

The system is a synchronous system using a ten-unit error-detecting code as listed in table B.1 of the present document. The first seven bits of the ten-unit code of table B.1 are information bits. Bits 8, 9 and 10 indicate, in the form of a binary number, the number of B elements that occur in the seven information bits, a Y element being a binary number 1 and a B element being a binary number 0.

For example, a BYY sequence for bits 8, 9 and 10 indicates 3 ($0 \times 4 + 1 \times 2 + 1 \times 1$) B elements in the associated seven information bit sequence; and a YYB sequence indicates 6 ($1 \times 4 + 1 \times 2 + 0 \times 1$) B elements in the associated seven information bit sequence. The order of transmission for the information bits is the least significant bit first, but for the check bits it is the most significant bit first.

B.1.3 Signal requirements

The transmitted ATIS signal sequence shall be a phase modulated radio frequency signal (frequency modulation with a pre-emphasis of 6 dB/octave).

The modulating sub-carrier shall have a:

- frequency-shift between 1 300 Hz and 2 100 Hz;
- the sub-carrier frequency of 1 700 Hz;

- modulation rate of 1 200 baud;
- modulation index of 1,0.

The ten-unit error-detecting code expresses the symbols from 00 to 127, as shown in table B.1.

The symbols from 00 to 99 are used to code two decimal figures.

The higher frequency corresponds to the B-state and the lower frequency corresponds to the Y-state of the signal elements.

B.1.4 Format of an ATIS signal sequence

The format of the ATIS signal sequence according to figure B.1 is:

Dot pattern (note)	Phasing sequence	Format specifier	Self-identification	End of sequence	Error check character
NOTE: may be o	omitted.				

Figure B.1

The composition of the ATIS format and signal sequence are given in figures B.2 and B.3.

Dot pattern (note)	Phasing	A) Format	B) Identification	C)End of	D)Error check
		specifier		sequence	
20 bits	6 DX (125)	2 identical symbols	5 symbols	3 DX (127)	1 symbol
	8 RX (111 to 104)	(2 times)	(2 times)	1 RX (127)	(2 times)
NOTE: may be omitted.					

Figure B.2

Time diversity is provided in the ATIS signal sequence as follows:

- besides the phasing signals, each signal is transmitted twice in a time-spread mode; the first transmission (DX) of a specific signal is followed by the transmission of four other signals before the re-transmission (RX) of that specific signal takes place, allowing for a time-diversity reception interval of 33 ¹/₃ ms.

	Dot
	pattern (note)
DX R>	(7
DX	٢6
DX	
R> DX	ζ5
R> DX	ζ4
Rک	(3
DX R>	٢2
A R>	(1
А	(0
В	
A B	
A B	
В	
B B	
B B	
С	
B D	
B C	
c c	
D	

RX/DX	=	phasing sequence;
А	=	Format specifier;
В	=	Identification;
С	=	End of sequence;
D	=	Error check symbol;

NOTE: may be omitted.

Figure B.3: Transmission sequence

B.1.5 Dot pattern

To provide appropriate conditions for earlier bit synchronization, the phasing sequence may be preceded by a dot pattern (i.e. an alternating B-Y bit sequence) with a duration of 20 bits.

B.1.6 Phasing

The phasing sequence provides information to the receiver to permit correct bit phasing and unambiguous determination of the positions of the signals within an ATIS signal sequence.

Acquisition of symbol synchronization should be achieved by means of symbol recognition rather than, for example, by recognizing a change in the dot pattern, in order to reduce false synchronization caused by a bit error in the dot pattern.

The phasing sequence consists of specific signals in the DX and RX positions transmitted alternately.

The phasing signal in the DX position is symbol 125 of table B.1.

The phasing signals in the RX position specify the start of the information sequence (i.e. the format specifier) and consist of the signals for the symbols 111, 110, 109, 108, 107, 106, 105 and 104 of table B.1, consecutively.

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B.1.7 Format specifier

The format specifier signal is transmitted twice in both the DX and RX positions (see figure B.3) and shall consist of symbol 121.

B.1.8 Identification

The call sign of the station shall be converted in accordance with subclause B.1.11.

B.1.9 End of sequence

The "end of sequence" signal symbol 128 is transmitted 3 times in the DX position and once in the RX position (see figure B.3).

B.1.10 Error check character

The error check character is the final character transmitted and it serves to check the entire sequence for the presence of error which are undetected by the ten-unit error-detecting code and the time diversity employed.

The seven information bits of the error-check signal shall be equal to the least significant bit of the modulo-2 sums of the corresponding bits of all information characters (i.e. even vertical parity). The format specifier and end of sequence characters are considered to be information characters. The phasing signals shall not be considered to be information characters. Only one format specifier signal and one end of sequence signal shall be used in constructing the error check character. The error check character shall also be sent in the DX and RX positions (see annex C).

B.1.11 Conversion of a call sign to MID

The following procedure shall be used for the conversion of call sign.

The 10-digit code constituting a ship station identity shall be formed as follows:

 $Z \, MID \, X_1 \, X_2 \, X_3 \, X_4 \, X_5 \, X_6$

Wherein:

Z represents the figure 9;

MID represents the Maritime Identification Digits for each country, see also Radio Regulations appendix 43;

 X_1 to X_6 represents the converted call sign figures.

The value of the digits X_1 to X_6 shall be derived as follows:

 X_3 to X_6 shall contain the number of the call sign;

 X_1 to X_2 shall contain a figure representing the second letter of the call sign, wherein 01 represents A, 02 represents B, etc.

The first letter of the call sign, indicating the country, is presented by the MID.

An example of the conversion is given in annex C.

Symbol No.	Emitted signal and bit position 12345678910	Symbol No.	Emitted signal and bit position 12345678910	Symbol No	Emitted signal and bit positior 12345678910
00	BBBBBBBYYY	43	YYBYBYBBYY	86	BYYBYBYBYY
01	YBBBBBBYYB	44	BBYYBYBYBB	87	YYYBYBYBYB
02	BYBBBBBYYB	45	YBYYBYBBYY	88	BBBYYBYYBB
03	YYBBBBBYBY	46	BYYYBYBBYY	89	YBBYYBYBYY
04	BBYBBBBYYB	47	YYYYBYBBYB	90	BYBYYBYBYY
05	YBYBBBBYBY	48	BBBBYYBYBY	91	YYBYYBYBYB
06	BYYBBBBYBY	49	YBBBYYBYBB	92	BBYYYBYBYY
07	YYYBBBBYBB	50	BYBBYYBYBB	93	YBYYYBYBYB
08	BBBYBBBYYB	51	YYBBYYBBYY	94	BYYYYBYBYB
09	YBBYBBBYBY	52	BBYBYYBYBB	95	YYYYYBYBBY
10	BYBYBBBYBY	53	YBYBYYBBYY	96	BBBBBYYYBY
11	YYBYBBBYBB	54	BYYBYYBBYY	97	YBBBBYYYBB
12	BBYYBBBYBY	55	YYYBYYBBYB	98	BYBBBYYYBB
13	YBYYBBBYBB	56	BBBYYYBYBB	99	YYBBBYYBYY
14	BYYYBBBYBB	57	YBBYYYBBYY	100	BBYBBYYYBB
15	YYYYBBBBYY	58	BYBYYYBBYY	101	YBYBBYYBYY
16	BBBBYBBYYB	59	YYBYYYBBYB	102	BYYBBYYBYY
17	YBBBYBBYBY	60	BBYYYYBBYY	103	YYYBBYYBYB
18	BYBBYBBYBY	61	YBYYYYBBYB	104	BBBYBYYYBB
19	YYBBYBBYBB	62	BYYYYBBYB	105	YBBYBYYBYY
20	BBYBYBBYBY	63	YYYYYBBBY	106	BYBYBYYBYY
21	YBYBYBBYBB	64	BBBBBBYYYB	107	YYBYBYYBYB
22	BYYBYBBYBB	65	YBBBBBYYBY	108	BBYYBYYBYY
23	YYYBYBBBYY	66	BYBBBBYYBY	109	YBYYBYYBYB
24	BBBYYBBYBY	67	YYBBBBYYBB	110	BYYYBYYBYB
25	YBBYYBBYBB	68	BBYBBBYYBY	111	YYYYBYYBBY
26	BYBYYBBYBB	69	YBYBBBYYBB	112	BBBBYYYYBB
27	YYBYYBBBYY	70	BYYBBBYYBB	113	YBBBYYYBYY
28	BBYYYBBYBB	71	YYYBBBYBYY	114	BYBBYYYBYY
29	YBYYYBBBYY	72	BBBYBBYYBY	115	YYBBYYYBYB
30	BYYYYBBBYY	73	YBBYBBYYBB	116	BBYBYYYBYY
31	YYYYBBBYB	74	BYBYBBYYBB	117	YBYBYYYBYB
32	BBBBBYBYYB	75	YYBYBBYBYY	118	BYYBYYYBYB
33	YBBBBYBYBY	76	BBYYBBYYBB	119	YYYBYYYBBY
34	BYBBBYBYBY	77	YBYYBBYBYY	120	BBBYYYYBYY
35	YYBBBYBYBB	78	BYYYBBYBYY	121	YBBYYYYBYB
36	BBYBBYBYBY	79	YYYYBBYBYB	122	BYBYYYYBYB
37	YBYBBYBYBB	80	BBBBYBYYBY	123	YYBYYYYBBY
38	BYYBBYBYBB	81	YBBBYBYYBB	124	BBYYYYBYB
39	YYYBBYBBYY	82	BYBBYBYYBB	125	YBYYYYBBY
40	BBBYBYBYBY	83	YYBBYBYBYY	126	BYYYYYBBY
41	YBBYBYBYBB	84	BBYBYBYYBB	127	YYYYYYBBB
42	BYBYBYBYBB	85	YBYBYBYBYY		
s = 0 order (′ = 1	of bit transmission: bit	1 first.			

Table B.1: Ten-unit error-detecting code

B.2 ATIS encoder

B.2.1 Internally generated signals

For conformance testing and maintenance purposes the equipment shall have facilities, not accessible to the operator, to generate a continuous B or Y signal and a dot pattern. It shall be possible to generate at choice either a continuous B signal or a continuous Y signal.

B.2.2 Frequency error (demodulated signal)

B.2.2.1 Definition

The frequency error for the B and the Y state is the difference between the measured frequency from the demodulator and the nominal values.

B.2.2.2 Method of measurement

The transmitter shall be connected to the artificial antenna as specified in subclause 6.4 and a suitable FM demodulator.

The equipment shall be set to transmit a continuous B or Y state.

The measurement shall be performed by measuring the demodulated output, for both the continuous B and Y state.

The measurements shall be carried out under normal (see subclause 5.3) and extreme test conditions (subclauses 5.4.1 and 5.4.2 applied simultaneously).

B.2.2.3 Limits

The measured frequency from the demodulator at any time for the B state shall be within 1 300 Hz \pm 10 Hz and for the Y state within 2 100 Hz \pm 10 Hz.

B.2.3 Modulation index

B.2.3.1 Definition

The modulation index is the ratio between the frequency deviation and the frequency of the modulation signal.

The frequency deviation is the difference between the instantaneous frequency of the modulated RF signal and the carrier frequency.

B.2.3.2 Method of measurement

The equipment shall be set to transmit continuous B and then Y signals. The frequency deviations shall be measured.

B.2.3.3 Limits

The modulation index shall be $1,0 \pm 10\%$.

B.2.4 Modulation rate

B.2.4.1 Definition

The modulation rate is the bit stream speed measured in bits per second.

B.2.4.2 Method of measurement

The equipment shall be set to transmit a continuous dot pattern.

The RF output terminal of the equipment shall be connected to a linear FM demodulator. The output of the demodulator shall be limited in bandwidth by a low pass filter with a cut-off frequency of 1 kHz and a slope of 12 dB/octave.

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The frequency of the output shall be measured.

B.2.4.3 Limits

The frequency shall be 600 Hz \pm 60 parts per million (ppm) corresponding to a modulation rate of 1 200 baud.

B.2.5 Testing of the ATIS format

The ATIS signal shall be analysed with the calibrated apparatus for correct configuration of the signal format (see subclause B.1.4), including time diversity.

The decoded ATIS protocol shall be stated in the test report.

Annex C (normative): Conversion of a radio call sign into an ATIS identification.

Example: call sign = PC8075

The ship's identification (ID) shall be formed as follows:

Z MID XX 8 0 7 5

 $\begin{array}{rcl} Z & = & \text{always 9;} \\ \text{MID} & = & \text{for The Netherlands 244;} \\ \text{XX} & = & \text{C} = 03. \end{array}$

ship's ID

9	<u>244</u>	<u>03</u>	80	75
{Z	 P	 C	80	7 5}
92	44	03	80	75

Example of an ATIS message:

DX 125 125 125 125 125 125 125 121 *121 92 44 03

 $RX \quad 111 \quad 110 \quad 109 \quad 108 \quad 107 \quad 106 \quad 105 \quad 104 \quad 121 \quad 121 \quad 92$

DX 80 75 127* ECC 127 127

RX 44 03 80 75 127 ECC

(* start/stop Error Correcting Code (ECC) calculation).

Calculation of the ECC:

only DX information characters + one format and one end of sequence character shall be used to calculate the ECC.

Example:

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121 YBBYYYY
92 BBYYYBY
44 BBYYBYB
03 YYBBBBB
80 BBBBYBY
75 YYBYBBY
127 YYYYYYY
------+ even vertical parity
BYYYBYY(BYB) = 110
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