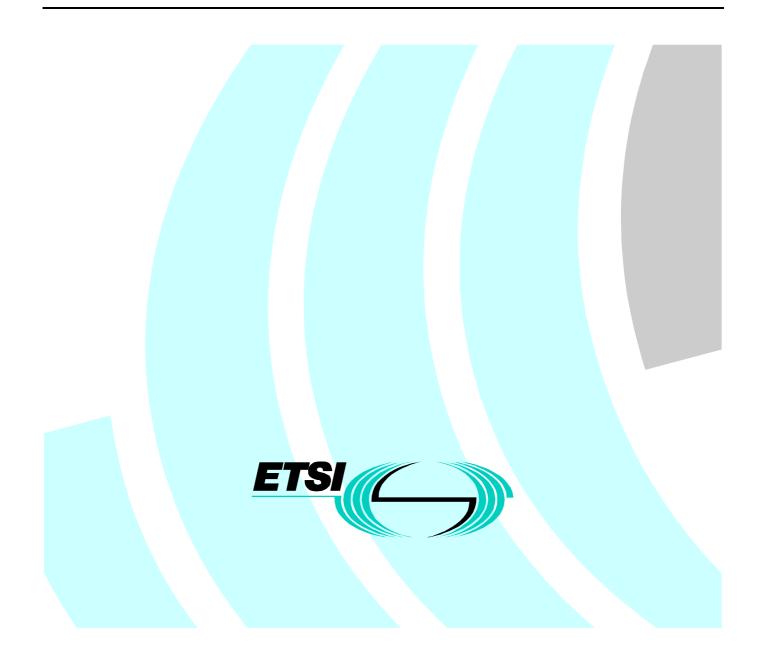
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Foreword

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The purpose of the present document is to define the antenna performance standards necessary to ensure optimum frequency co-ordination between the systems and/or different services by the Regulatory Authorities in the 3 GHz to 11 GHz band. These nominal frequency limits have been chosen to reflect the WARC '92 Final Acts [4] and the frequency plans as given in CEPT Recommendations T/R 13-02 [1] and ITU-R Recommendation F.748-1 [2].

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Introduction

The purpose of the present document is to define the requirements for antennas used in conjunction with point-to-multipoint (P-MP) systems necessary to facilitate frequency co-ordination between services in the frequency bands 3 GHz to 11 GHz.

1 Scope

The present document specifies the essential electrical requirements for linear polarisation, fixed beam antennas to be utilized with new Point-to-Multipoint (P-MP) systems, including central station and terminal station applications, operating in frequency bands from 3 GHz to 11 GHz. These systems use various multiple access schemes. Electronically steerable antennas and circularly polarized antennas are not considered in the present document.

Only in exceptional circumstances, and after a consultation period with operators and manufacturers, the Regulatory Authority may impose the use of tighter requirements than the minimum values given in the present document, in order to maximize the use of scarce spectrum resources.

For some high gain, point-to-multipoint requirements antennas may be used having performance as per the appropriate point-to-point antenna standard. For these antennas, minimum requirements are given in [10].

2 References

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3 Definitions, symbols and abbreviations

3.1 Definitions

For the purpose of the present document the following definitions apply:

antenna: That part of the transmitting or receiving system that is designed to transmit or receive electromagnetic radiation.

boresight: The axis of the main beam in a directional antenna.

central station: The base station which communicates each way with many terminal stations and, in many cases, repeater stations.

co-polar pattern: A diagram representing the radiation pattern of a test antenna when the reference antenna is similarly polarized, scaled in dBi or dB relative to the measured antenna gain.

cross-polar pattern: A diagram representing the radiation pattern of a test antenna when the reference antenna is orthogonally polarized, scaled in dBi, or dB relative to the measured antenna gain.

cross-polar discrimination: The difference between the peak of the co-polarized main beam and the maximum cross-polarized signal over an angle measured within a defined region.

fixed beam: The radiation pattern in use is fixed relative to a defined mechanical reference plane.

gain: The ratio of the radiation intensity in a given direction to the radiation intensity that would be obtained if the power accepted by the antenna were radiated isotropically.

half power beamwidth (HPBW): The angle, relative to the main beam axis, between the two directions at which the measured co-polar pattern is 3 dB below the value on the main beam axis.

inter-port isolation: The ratio in dB of the power level applied to one port of a multi - port antenna to the power level received in any other port of the same antenna as a function of frequency.

isotropic radiator: A hypothetical, lossless antenna having equal radiation intensity in all directions.

input port(s): The flange(s) or connector(s) through which access to the antenna is provided.

main beam axis: The direction for which the radiation intensity is a maximum.

main beam: The radiation lobe containing the direction of maximum radiation.

mechanical tilt: A fixed angular shift in elevation of the antenna main beam axis by a change to the physical mounting.

radiation pattern envelope (RPE): An envelope within which the radiation pattern shall fit.

radiation pattern: A diagram relating power flux density at a constant distance from the antenna to the direction relative to the notional antenna main beam axis. Specifically referenced in the present document to the zero degree reference direction.

radome: A cover, of dielectric material, intended for protecting an antenna from the effects of its physical environment.

repeater station: A radio station providing the connection via the air to both the central station and the terminal station(s). The remote station may also provide the interfaces to the subscriber equipment, if applicable.

sector angle: The nominal HPBW of a sectored antenna, defined as 2α in the present document (see Figure 3.1).

terminal station: A remote (out) station which communicates with a central station.

tilt: Fixed, angular shift of the antenna main beam axis (boresight) in the elevation plane by either electrical, electronic or mechanical means.

zero degree (0°): A declared direction as referenced to the antenna.

reference direction: Mechanical characteristics, used as reference for the RPE.

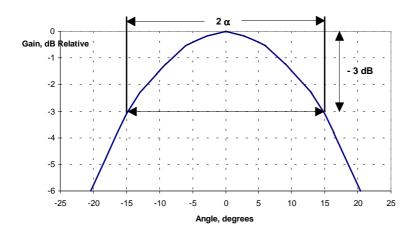


Figure 3.1: Definition of sector angle

3.2 Symbols

For the purposes of the present document the following symbols apply:

α	Alpha (= half the HPBW)
f _o	Nominal centre frequency of declared antenna operating range
ROUND()	Round up or down to nearest integer

3.3 Abbreviations

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

CS	Central station
dBi	Decibels relative to an isotropic source
GHz	Gigahertz
HPBW	Half power beamwidth
MHz	Megahertz
P-MP	Point-to-Multipoint
RPE	Radiation pattern envelope
RS	Repeater station
TS	Terminal station
VSWR	Voltage standing wave ratio
XPD	Cross-polar discrimination

4 Frequency bands

The present document applies to a number of frequency ranges within the 3 GHz to 11 GHz frequency bands considered within CEPT/ERC and ETSI for allocation to the fixed services. Suitable sub-bands for allocation to point-to-multipoint use are subject to channel plans described in references [6], [7] and [8].

For the purpose of the present document, the overall frequency bands 3 GHz to 11 GHz are divided into three Ranges as follows:

- Range 1: 3,0 GHz to 5,9 GHz;
- Range 2: 5,9 GHz to 8,5 GHz;
- Range 3: 8,5 GHz to 11,0 GHz.

5 Types and classification of antennas

5.1 Antenna Types

The present document addresses fixed beam antennas used in the central (CS) and terminal (TS) stations including repeaters (RS).

The antennas are used in a system which can generally be described as in Figure 5.1:

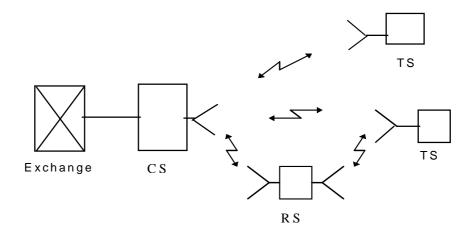


Figure 5.1: General Point-to-Multipoint System Architecture

- **CS:** Central Station, which is linked to all remote stations (repeater or terminal stations) by microwave transmission paths.
- **TS:** Terminal Station (outstation with subscriber interfaces).
- **RS:** Repeater Station (radio repeater outstation with or without subscriber interfaces). A RS may serve one or more TSs.

These antennas shall be grouped into the following Types:

Central and repeater stations:	Omni-directional
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Sectored

Directional as per terminal stations

Terminal stations: Directional

Repeater antennas can be of either central (CS) or terminal (TS) station types.

5.2 Antenna classifications

5.2.1 CS Classes

With respect to the **azimuthal** radiation pattern envelope (RPE), three Classes maybe identified in different frequency sub-ranges for central station (CS) **sectored** antennas:

- Class CS 1;
- Class CS 2;
- Class CS 3.

These Classes allow flexibility for a variety of different systems, and may be generally appropriate for low, medium and higher density deployments respectively.

With respect to the **azimuthal** RPE for **omni-directional** CS antennas, no requirement for separate Classes has been identified.

5.2.2 TS Classes

With respect to the radiation pattern envelope (RPE), a number of classes have been identified for terminal station (TS) **directional** antennas:

- Class TS 1;
- Class TS 2;
- Class TS 3;
- etc.

These Classes allow flexibility for a variety of different systems and deployment conditions.

6 Electrical Characteristics

For the purpose of the present document, an antenna is specific to Type, Class, Range, the frequency band of operation and the mid-band gain. An antenna which employs a radome shall meet the requirements of the present document with the radome in place.

A 0° reference direction shall be defined for each antenna. The radiation characteristics in the present document are all referred to this 0° reference direction.

6.1 Terminal Station (TS) Antennas

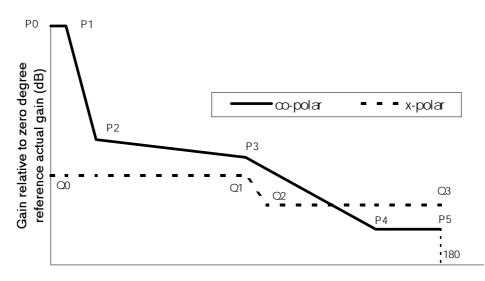
The RPEs and gain parameters apply for both horizontal and vertical linearly polarized antennas.

6.1.1 TS Radiation Pattern Envelope (RPE)

The co-polar and cross-polar radiation patterns for both azimuth and elevation shall not exceed the RPEs defined in the following list:

Range 1 (3,0 GHz to 5,9 GHz)	Class TS 1:	Table 1
	Class TS 2:	Table 2
	Class TS 3:	Table 3
	Class TS 4:	Table 4
	Class TS 5:	Table 5
Range 2 (5,9 GHz to 8,5 GHz)	Class TS 1:	Table 6
	Class TS 2:	Table 7
	Class TS 3:	Table 8
Range 3 (8,5 GHz to 11,0 GHz)	Class TS 1:	Table 9
	Class TS 2:	Table 10
	Class TS 3:	Table 11
	Class TS 4:	Table 12

The gain values defined are all relative to maximum, actual gain.



Angle relative to zero degree reference (deg)

Figure 6.1: Normalized RPE for TS Azimuth and Elevation

6.1.1.1 Range 1 (3,0 GHz to 5,9 GHz)

Table 1: TS1, Range 1

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	90	0
P2	90	-10
P3	180	-10
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-15
Q1	180	-15

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	12	0
P2	30	-10
P3	90	-15
P4	150	-20
P5	180	-20
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-15
Q1	90	-15
Q2	150	-20
Q3	180	-20

Table 2: TS2, Range 1

Table 3: TS3, Range 1

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	10	0
P2	20	-12
P3	70	-14
P4	150	-29
P5	180	-29
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-19
Q1	90	-19
Q2	70	-25
Q3	180	-25

Table 4: TS4, Range 1

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	10	0
P2	30	-17
P3	90	-17
P4	150	-30
P5	180	-30
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-20
Q1	90	-20
Q2	150	-30
Q3	180	-30

Table 5: TS5, Range 1

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	12	0
P2	30	-17
P3	90	-17
P4	150	-30
P5	180	-30
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-20
Q1	90	-20
Q2	100	-25
Q3	180	-25

6.1.1.2 Range 2 (5,9 GHz to 8,5 GHz)

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	9	0
P2	22	-12
P3	90	-17
P4	150	-25
P5	180	-25
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-17
Q1	90	-17
Q2	150	-25
Q3	180	-25

Table 6: TS1, Range 2

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Table 7: TS2, Range 2

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	8	0
P2	20	-20
P3	90	-22
P4	150	-35
P5	180	-35
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-25
Q1	90	-25
Q2	150	-35
Q3	180	-35

Table 8: TS3, Range 2

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	9	0
P2	22	-18
P3	90	-21
P4	150	-33
P5	180	-33
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-25
Q1	90	-25
Q2	100	-30
Q3	180	-30

6.1.1.3 Range 3 (8,5 GHz to11,0 GHz)

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	7	0
P2	15	-13
P3	90	-20
P4	130	-30
P5	180	-30
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-20
Q1	90	-20
Q2	130	-30
Q3	180	-30

Table 9: TS1, Range 3

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Table 10: TS2, Range 3

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	5	0
P2	15	-20
P3	90	-30
P4	130	-40
P5	180	-40
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-30
Q1	90	-30
Q2	130	-40
Q3	180	-40

Table 11: TS3, Range 3

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	6	0
P2	15	-13
P3	90	-24
P4	150	-36
P5	180	-36
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-28
Q1	90	-28
Q2	100	-33
Q3	180	-33

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	10	0
P2	30	-10
P3	90	-15
P4	150	-20
P5	180	-20
Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-12
Q1	90	-12
Q2	130	-17
Q3	180	-17

Table 12: TS4, Range 3

6.1.2 TS Minimum Boresight Gain

The TS RPEs specified in tables 1 to 12 inclusive are for maximum allowed co- and cross- polar gains, relative to boresight actual gain.

The TS antenna shall meet the minimum boresight gain described by the following expression:

Minimum boresight gain = ROUND ($0.85 \text{ f}_0 + 5$) dBi

where fo is the nominal centre frequency in GHz and ROUND () means rounded to the nearest integer value.

6.2 Central Station (CS) Sectored Antennas

6.2.1 CS Azimuth Radiation Pattern Envelope (RPE), Sectored

The Central Station **azimuth** RPEs for **sectored** (i.e. not omni-directional) antennas are defined in the following list for sector beamwidths in the range 15 to 180 degrees:

- Class CS 1: Table 13;
- Class CS 2: Table 14;
- Class CS 3: Table 15.

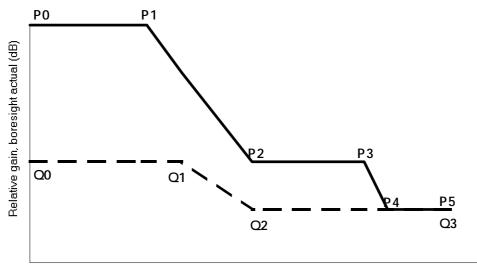
Both co-polar and cross-polar patterns are defined. The sector beamwidth is the nominal -3 dB beamwidth in degrees defined here as 2α and otherwise referred to as sector angle. The three azimuth patterns defined below apply for all combinations of frequency and sector angle within the ranges addressed by the present document. The gain values defined are all relative to boresight actual gain.

a) Co-Polar RPE

Point P0 is fixed whereas the positions of P1 to P5 are dependent on centre frequency and/or sector angle. Tables 13a to 15a summarize the expressions which describe all these co-polar azimuth RPE points for Classes 1 to 3 respectively.

b) Cross-Polar RPE

Tables 13b to 15b summarize the expressions which describe the four points which define the cross-polar azimuth RPE. Point Q0 is fixed whereas the positions of Q1 to Q3 are dependent on centre frequency and/or sector angle.



Angle off zero degree reference (deg)

Figure 6.2: Normalized CS Sector Antenna Template for Azimuth

These tables shall apply for all frequencies in the 3 GHz to 11 GHz band, and where f_0 is the nominal centre frequency in GHz and all expressions are rounded to the nearest integer value.

6.2.1.1 Class CS 1

Table	13a:	CS	Class	1
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Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Relative Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	α + 5	0
P2	160	-20
P3	160	-20
P4	160	-20
P5	180	-20

Table 13b: CS Class 1

Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Relative Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-12
Q1	α + 5	-15
Q2	160	-20
Q3	180	-20

6.2.1.2 Class CS 2

Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Relative Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	α + 5	0
P2	α + (105 - 7f ₀)	-20
P3	195 - 7f _o	-20
P4	186 - 4,4 f _o	-25
P5	180	-25

Table 14a: CS Class 2

Table 14b: CS Class 2

Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Relative Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-20
Q1	α + (57,5 - 5f _O)	-20
Q2	α + (87,5 - 5f _O)	-25
Q3	180	-25

6.2.1.3 Class CS 3

Table 15a: CS Class 3

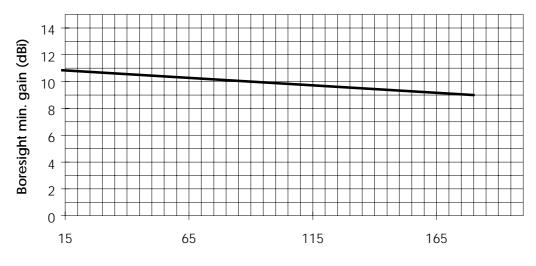
Co-polar	Angle (deg)	Relative Gain (dB)
P0	0	0
P1	α + (20 - 1,4 f ₀)	0
P2	α + (75 - 4,3 f _O)	-23
P3	165 - 4,3 f _O	-23
P4	150	-1,4 f ₀ -20
P5	180	-1,4 f ₀ -20

Table 15b: CS Class 3

Cross-polar	Angle (deg)	Relative Gain (dB)
Q0	0	-0,7 f ₀ -17,5
Q1	α + (20 - 1,4 f ₀)	-0,7 f ₀ -17,5
Q2	α + (75 - 4,3 f _O)	-1,4 f _o -20
Q3	180	-1,4 f ₀ -20

6.2.2 Minimum Boresight Gain, Sectored

The CS antenna boresight gain shall exceed the values defined in Figure 6.3 as a function of sector angle, 2α , in the range 15° to 180° and for all frequencies in the 3 GHz to 11 GHz bands.



Sector angle, 2a (deg)

Figure 6.3: CS Sector Antenna Boresight Min Gain

6.3 Central Station (CS) Omni-Directional Antennas

For omni-directional CS antennas the following parameters shall apply for all frequencies in the 3 GHz to 11 GHz bands:

min. nominal gain:	8 dBi;
gain ripple (azimuth):	3 dB maximum (peak-to-peak);
cross-polar discrimination:	20 dB minimum.

6.4 Central Station (CS) Omni and Sectored Elevation RPEs

Two CS antenna elevation RPEs are defined:

- one for antennas designed to exhibit symmetric RPEs about the 0° reference direction (figure 6.4); and
- one for antennas designed for asymmetric RPEs (figure 6.5).

For antennas designed without any tilt the zero degree reference direction normally corresponds to boresight.

It may be necessary in practical deployments to use electrical or mechanical tilt, or a combination of these two, to achieve the required cell coverage, taking into account the surrounding terrain, for example.

These elevation patterns are considered appropriate to the commonly used range of 0° to -10° for electrical downtilt. For sector antennas only further mechanical tilt of up to $^{\circ} \pm 10^{\circ}$ may be suitable for some situations.

An electrical tilt is translated onto the corresponding pattern as $a \pm$ shift along the elevation angle axis.

NOTE: Positive angles are for above boresight (up) and negative angles are for below (down).

6.4.1 Symmetric elevation RPEs

For **omni-symmetric** antennas the co-polar limits in Figure 6.4 shall apply, with a uniform value of -20 dB for the cross-polar limit.

For **sectored symmetric** antennas only, the <u>co-polar</u> limit in Figure 6.4 shall be linearly interpolated beyond the -19 dB, +90 degree point out to the point defined at 180 degrees by the appropriate azimuth Class of antennas per Tables 13a to 15a.

The **cross-polar** limit shall be linearly interpolated between the 0 degree and the 180 degrees points taken from the appropriate azimuth Class of antennas as defined in Tables 13b to 15b.

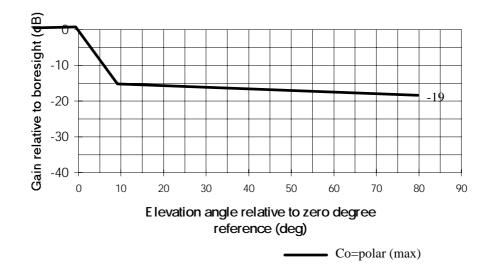


Figure 6.4: Symmetric CS Antenna Elevation Patterns

6.4.2 Asymmetric elevation patterns

For **omni-asymmetric** antennas the **co-polar and cross-polar** limits in Figure 6.5 shall apply; outside the \pm 4 degrees range the **cross-polar** limit shall be taken as the same as the co-polar limit.

For sectored asymmetric antennas only, the co-polar limit in Figure 6.5 shall be linearly interpolated:

a) beyond the -3 dB, -30 degree point (down) out to the point defined at 180 degrees for the appropriate azimuth Class of antennas as taken from Tables 13a to 15a;

and

b) beyond the -8 dB, +90 degree point (up) out to the point defined at 180 degrees for the appropriate azimuth Class of antennas as taken from Tables 13a to 15a.

The cross-polar limit shall be linearly interpolated:

a) beyond the -8 dB, -30 degree point (down) out to the point defined at 180 degrees for the appropriate azimuth Class of antennas as taken from Tables 13a to 15a;

and

b) beyond the -8 dB, +90 degree point (up) out to the point defined at 180 degrees for the appropriate azimuth Class of antennas as taken from Tables 13a to 15a.

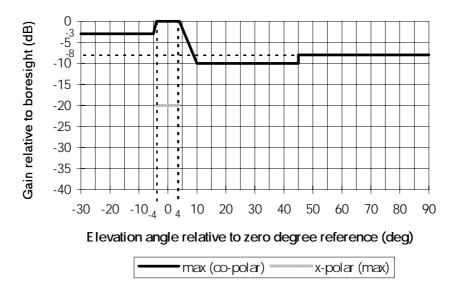


Figure 6.5: Asymmetric CS Antenna Elevation Patterns

6.5 Polarisation, Terminal (TS) and Central (CS) Stations

The antenna shall radiate a linearly polarized wave.

6.6 Radomes

Antennas adopting radomes shall conform to the absolute gain and radiation pattern values stipulated in the clauses above, with the radome in place.

7 Conformance tests

EN 301 126-4 (see Bibliography) shall apply.

Additional parameters appropriate to system implementation may be subject to agreement between the equipment purchaser and supplier. Further guidance is provided in Annex A.

Annex A (informative): Antenna Characteristics

A.1 Mechanical Characteristics

A.1.1 Environmental characteristics

The antennas should be designed to operate within a temperature range of -45 $^{\circ}$ C to +45 $^{\circ}$ C with a relative humidity up to 100 % for environmental conditions specified in ETS 300 019-1-4.

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The temperature range could be divided in two parts where at least one of the following ranges could be covered:

- 1) -33° C to $+40^{\circ}$ C;
- 2) -45° C to $+45^{\circ}$ C.

The antenna should be designed to meet the wind survival ratings specified in the following table:

Antenna type	Wind velocity m/s (km/h)	Ice load (density 7 kN/m ³)	
Normal duty	55 (200)	25 mm radial ice	
Heavy duty	70 (252)	25 mm radial ice	

Table A.1

A.1.2 Antenna stability

The antenna should be stable under the most severe operational conditions at the site of the intended application.

For installation purposes, the deviation of the antenna main beam axis should not be more than 0,3 times the smaller of the two azimuthal and elevation HPBW, as a general guide, under the conditions specified in the following table:

Table A.2

Antenna type	Wind velocity m/s (km/h)	Ice load (density 7 kN/m ³)
Normal duty	30 (110)	25 mm radial ice
Heavv dutv	45 (164)	25 mm radial ice

Further guidance can be obtained from ETS 300 019-1-4.

A.2 Antenna input connectors

When flanges are provided at the input port of the antenna they should be in accordance with IEC-154.

For antennas which are integral to the radio equipment proprietary connection designs may be utilized.

For antennas using coaxial input ports the impedance should be nominally 50 Ω and the connectors should conform to IEC-169.

The input connector on the antenna should be mechanically compatible with the radio equipment. This should be agreed between the equipment supplier and purchaser in line with the overall system design requirements. In such cases a suitable test fixture should be agreed and used for test purposes.

A.3 VSWR at the input port(s)

The maximum VSWR should be agreed between the equipment supplier and purchaser in line with the overall system design requirements. For guidance, antennas with a Voltage Standing Wave Ratio (VSWR) in the range 1,9 to 1,1 are typical.

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A.4 Inter-port isolation

The isolation between the input ports of a dual polarized antenna should be agreed between the equipment supplier and the purchaser in line with the overall system design requirements. For guidance inter-port isolation better than 25 dB is typical.

A.5 Antenna labelling

Antennas should be clearly identified with a weather-proof and permanent label(s) showing the manufacturer's name, antenna type, polarisation direction, serial number(s) and type approval reference number which identifies the country of origin. It should be noted that integrated antennas may share a common label with the outdoor equipment.

A.6 Passive intermodulation performance

For some P-MP access methods the minimum Passive Intermodulation (PIM) performance of the antenna may need to be taken into account. In such cases the PIM should be agreed between the equipment supplier and the purchaser in line with the overall system design requirements. For guidance, PIM product limits can often exceed -100 dBc.

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