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The present document provides the necessary limits and conformance requirements for radio receivers to meet the essential requirements of article 3.2 of Directive 2014/53/EU [i.1] for the FM sound broadcast service and is used with reference to ETSI EN 303 345-1 [1], which describes the generic requirements and test methods.

1 Scope

The present document specifies the test signal configuration and the limits for sensitivity, selectivity, blocking and unwanted emissions in the spurious domain for devices that receive FM broadcast sound services.

NOTE: The relationship between the present document and essential requirements of article 3.2 of Directive 2014/53/EU [i.1] is given in annex A.

2 References

2.1 Normative references

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- [1] ETSI EN 303 345-1 (V1.1.1) (06-2019): "Broadcast Sound Receivers; Part 1: Generic requirements and measuring methods".
- [2] Recommendation ITU-R BS.468-4 (07/1986): "Measurement of audio-frequency noise voltage level in sound broadcasting".
- [3] Recommendation ITU-R BS.559-2 (06/1990): "Objective measurement of radio-frequency protection ratios in LF, MF and HF broadcasting".
- [4] EN 55032:2015: "Electromagnetic compatibility of multimedia equipment - Emission Requirements", produced by CENELEC.

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- [i.1] Directive 2014/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of radio equipment and repealing Directive 1999/5/EC.
- [i.2] Commission Implementing Decision C(2015) 5376 final of 4.8.2015 on a standardisation request to the European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardisation and to the European Telecommunications Standards Institute as regards radio equipment in support of Directive 2014/53/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council.
- [i.3] Recommendation ITU-R BS.641 (07/1986): "Determination of radio-frequency protection ratios for frequency-modulated sound broadcasting".

- [i.4] AES17: "AES standard method for digital audio engineering - Measurement of digital audio equipment".
- [i.5] ETSI EG 203 336 (V1.1.1) (08-2015): "Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM); Guide for the selection of technical parameters for the production of Harmonised Standards covering article 3.1(b) and article 3.2 of Directive 2014/53/EU".
- [i.6] ITU GE84: "Final Acts of the Regional Administrative Radio Conference for the Planning of the VHF Sound Broadcasting (Region 1 and part of Region 3)".
- [i.7] Recommendation ITU-R BS.412-9 (12/1998): "Planning standards for terrestrial FM sound broadcasting at VHF".
- [i.8] Recommendation ITU-R SM.332-4 (07/1978): "Selectivity of Receivers".

3 Definition of terms, symbols and abbreviations

3.1 Terms

For the purposes of the present document, the terms given in Directive 2014/53/EU [i.1] and the following apply:

built-in antenna: antenna that cannot be detached from the equipment

crest factor: peak to rms voltage ratio

external antenna: antenna designed to be connected to the equipment with the use of a 50 Ω or 75 Ω external connector

integral antenna: antenna which is detachable from the equipment without the use of any tools, and not using a 50 Ω or 75 Ω external connector

NOTE: A device that uses a supplied earphone as the antenna has an integral antenna.

3.2 Symbols

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

dBFS: decibels relative to Full Scale in accordance with AES17 [i.4]

dBm: decibels relative to 1 mW of power

dBQ: audio decibels after Recommendation ITU-R BS.468-4 [2] noise weighting and a quasi-peak detector have been applied

dB μ V/m: decibels relative to 1 μ V/m

3.3 Abbreviations

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

| | |
|------|---------------------------------|
| ACS | Adjacent Channel Selectivity |
| ADC | Analogue to Digital Converter |
| ALC | Automatic Level Control |
| AM | Amplitude Modulation |
| ATT | ATTenuation |
| BS | Broadcast Sound |
| BW | BandWidth |
| DDC | Direct Digital Conversion |
| EFTA | European Free Trade Association |
| EU | European Union |

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|-------|---|
| FM | Frequency Modulation |
| IQ | In-phase and Quadrature |
| ITU-R | International Telecommunications Union - Radiocommunications sector |
| LO | Local Oscillator |
| NZIF | Near-Zero Intermediate Frequency |
| PC | Personal Computer |
| RBW | Resolution BandWidth |
| RED | Radio Equipment Directive |
| RF | Radio Frequency |
| RMS | Root Mean Square |
| SNR | Signal to Noise Ratio |
| SWT | SWEEP Time |
| USB | Universal Serial Bus |
| VHF | Very High Frequency |

4 Technical requirements specifications

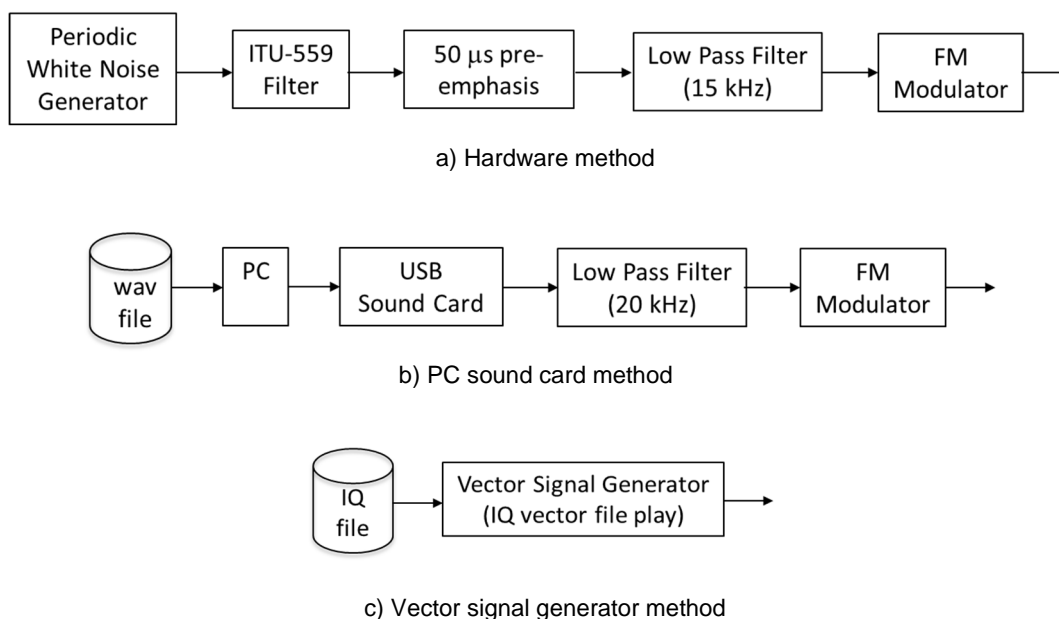
4.1 Test signal configurations

The generated FM signals (wanted and unwanted) and the blocking signal shall be in accordance with table 1. The configuration is based on Recommendation ITU-R BS.641 [i.3].

Table 1: FM configuration

| Parameter | FM signals | | AM signal Blocking |
|--|--------------------------|---|-----------------------|
| | Wanted | Unwanted | |
| Audio modulation | 1 kHz tone | Weighted noise Recommendation ITU-R BS.559-2 [3], clause 1, band- limited to 15 kHz (see note 1) | 1 kHz tone |
| Other modulation parameters | ±60,8 kHz peak deviation | 15,9 kHz RMS deviation (see note 2) | 80 % depth |
| Pilot tone | None | None | |
| NOTE 1: The filter shall have a cut-off frequency of 15 kHz and a minimum roll-off of 60 dB/octave. | | | |
| NOTE 2: This is equivalent to a quasi-peak deviation of 34,8 kHz and has pre-emphasis enabled. The quasi-peak level measurement is defined by Recommendation ITU-R BS.641 [i.3], clause 5; with pre-emphasis disabled the quasi-peak deviation is 32 kHz (14,5 kHz RMS). | | | |

The means of generating the noise modulation for the "unwanted" signal is shown in figure 1.



NOTE: In a), the low pass filter has a cut-off frequency of 15 kHz and a minimum roll-off of 60 dB/octave; in b), the low pass filter has a cut-off frequency of 20 kHz and a minimum roll-off of 40 dB/octave.

Figure 1: Example arrangements for generating the unwanted signal

Waveform files to produce the signals using either the PC sound card method or the vector signal generator method are contained in archive en_30334501v010101p0.zip which accompanies ETSI EN 303 345-1 [1]. For further details see annex B.

4.2 Sensitivity

4.2.1 Definition

The receiver sensitivity is the minimum wanted signal level required to provide a given level of audio quality.

4.2.2 Limits

The limits for sensitivity specified in table 2 shall apply. Each figure quoted is the required level of wanted signal which provides a given level of audio quality. The audio impairment criteria relevant for these tests is that the audio SNR ≥ 40 dBQ ref $\pm 60,8$ kHz deviation, and that there shall be 10 seconds of audio with no subjective impairments (e.g. clicks resulting from FM threshold effects).

Table 2: FM sensitivity requirements

| De-modulation | Tuned frequency band | Wanted signal centre frequency (MHz) | Required sensitivity limit | |
|---------------|----------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | Conducted (dBm) | Radiated (dB μ V/m) |
| FM | VHF band II | 98 | -90 | 50 (see note) |

NOTE: For products with an integral antenna, the requirement is relaxed to 67 dB μ V/m.

4.2.3 Conformance

Conformance tests as defined in ETSI EN 303 345-1 [1], clause 5.3.4.1 shall be carried out. The wanted signal generator shall be set to produce a signal according to table 1 at the centre frequency according to table 2. The required sensitivity level shall be as indicated in table 2. If the impairment criteria given in clause 4.2.2 is met then the receiver has passed the sensitivity requirement.

4.3 Adjacent channel selectivity and blocking

4.3.1 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 signal which differs in frequency from the wanted signal by an amount equal to a small multiple of the adjacent channel spacing. The wanted and unwanted signals are of the same modulation type.

The blocking ratio 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 input signal at a given frequency separation. The wanted and unwanted signals are of different modulation types.

In order to provide effective use of spectrum, devices shall be able to demodulate the tuned signal in the presence of similar signals in adjacent channels. In addition, testing shall also be performed to check the ability of the receiver to work effectively with interfering signals at a greater separation from the wanted signal (blocking).

The channel spacings specified in table 3 shall apply.

Table 3: Channel spacing for adjacent channel selectivity and blocking

| Demodulation | Tuned frequency band | Unwanted frequency (N = 2, 3, 4) | Unwanted frequency (blocking) |
|--------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| FM | VHF band II | $\pm N \times 100$ kHz | ± 800 kHz |

4.3.2 Limits

The limits for selectivity and blocking specified in table 4 shall apply with the channel spacings given in table 3. Each figure quoted is the minimum acceptable level of unwanted signal, relative to that of the wanted signal, which provides a given level of audio quality. The audio impairment criteria relevant for these tests is that the audio SNR ≥ 40 dBQ ref $\pm 60,8$ kHz deviation, and that there shall be 10 seconds of audio with no subjective impairments (e.g. clicks resulting from FM threshold effects).

Table 4: Adjacent channel selectivity and blocking requirements

| De-modulation (see note 1) | Tuned frequency band | C Wanted signal centre frequency (MHz) | C Wanted signal level | | Required I/C ratio (see notes 2 and 3) | | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--|-----------------------|-------------------------|--|------------|------------|---------------|
| | | | Conducted (dBm) | Radiated (dB μ V/m) | N = 2 (dB) | N = 3 (dB) | N = 4 (dB) | Blocking (dB) |
| FM (built-in or integral antenna) | VHF band II | 98 | n/a | 56 (see note 4) | -15 | -3 | 8 | 20 |
| FM (external antenna) | VHF band II | 98 | -84 | n/a | 3 | 17 | 30 | 30 |

NOTE 1: The ACS and blocking requirements are currently separated into different limits for radiated and conducted testing methods. These limits are likely to be unified in a future revision of the present document. Users of the present document should consult frequently the latest list published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

NOTE 2: The frequency of the interferer shall be calculated using the channel spacing data in table 3 for each of the 6 defined adjacent channels $N = \{-4, -3, -2, +2, +3, +4\}$ and the two blocking offsets. Each row of table 4 thus defines 8 individual tests.

NOTE 3: The minimum level of I for the relevant level of impairment is calculated by adding the I/C ratio to the wanted C level.

NOTE 4: The wanted signal level for receivers with integral antenna is 73 dB μ V/m.

4.3.3 Conformance

Conformance tests as defined in ETSI EN 303 345-1 [1], clause 5.3.5.1 shall be carried out for all eight frequency offsets specified in table 3.

The wanted and unwanted signal generators shall be set to produce signals according to table 1. The centre frequency of the wanted signal is set according to table 4. The frequency offset of the unwanted or blocking signal to the wanted signal is set according to table 3. The required wanted signal level shall be as indicated in table 4. The required unwanted or blocking signal level offset shall be as indicated in table 4. If the impairment criteria given in clause 4.3.2 is met for all the test offsets then the receiver has passed the adjacent channel selectivity and blocking requirement.

4.4 Unwanted emissions in the spurious domain

4.4.1 Definition

Spurious domain radiated and conducted (differential voltage) emissions from the equipment.

4.4.2 Limits

The limits for conducted (differential voltage) spurious domain emissions for an external RF port are specified in EN 55032 [4], table A.13, clause 13.3 for all receivers except car radios, or clause 13.4 for car radios.

The limits for radiated spurious domain emissions are specified in EN 55032 [4], tables A.4, A5 and A6.

4.4.3 Conformance

For receivers with an external antenna connection, conformity shall be assessed by measuring the conducted (conducted differential voltage) emissions from the external RF port and radiated emissions from the cabinet and structure of the equipment (cabinet radiation).

For receivers without an external antenna connection, conformity shall be assessed by measuring the radiated emissions from the cabinet and the built-in or integral antenna (cabinet radiation).

The level of spurious emissions shall be measured according to EN 55032 [4], clause 6.3, clause 8, table A.1, clause A.8.5 in table A.8, annex B, clause C.2.1, clause C.2.2, clause C.2.3, clause C.3.1, clause C.3.2, clause C.3.3, clause C.3.4, clause C.3.7, clause C.4.2, clause C.4.4 and annex D and carried out by conducted (conducted differential voltage) emissions from an external RF port and/or radiated emissions from the cabinet and structure of the equipment (cabinet radiation).

If the limits given in clause 4.4.2 are met then the receiver has passed the unwanted emissions in the spurious domain requirement.

5 Testing for compliance with technical requirements

5.1 Environmental conditions for testing

Tests defined in the present document shall be carried out at representative points within the boundary limits of the operational environmental profile defined by its intended use.

Where technical performance varies subject to environmental conditions, tests shall be carried out under a sufficient variety of environmental conditions (within the boundary limits of the operational environmental profile defined by its intended use) to give confidence of compliance for the affected technical requirements.

Annex A (informative): Relationship between the present document and the essential requirements of Directive 2014/53/EU

The present document has been prepared under the Commission's standardisation request C(2015) 5376 final [i.2] to provide one voluntary means of conforming to the essential requirements of Directive 2014/53/EU on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of radio equipment and repealing Directive 1999/5/EC [i.1].

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Table A.1: Relationship between the present document and the essential requirements of Directive 2014/53/EU

| Harmonised Standard ETSI EN 303 345-3 | | | | | |
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| Requirement | | | | Requirement Conditionality | |
| No | Description | Essential requirements of Directive | Clause(s) of the present document | U/C | Condition |
| 1 | Sensitivity | 3.2 | 4.2 | U | |
| 2 | Receiver adjacent channel selectivity and blocking | 3.2 | 4.3 | U | |
| 3 | Unwanted emissions in the spurious domain | 3.2 | 4.4 | U | |

Key to columns:

Requirement:

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Description A textual reference to the requirement.

Essential requirements of Directive

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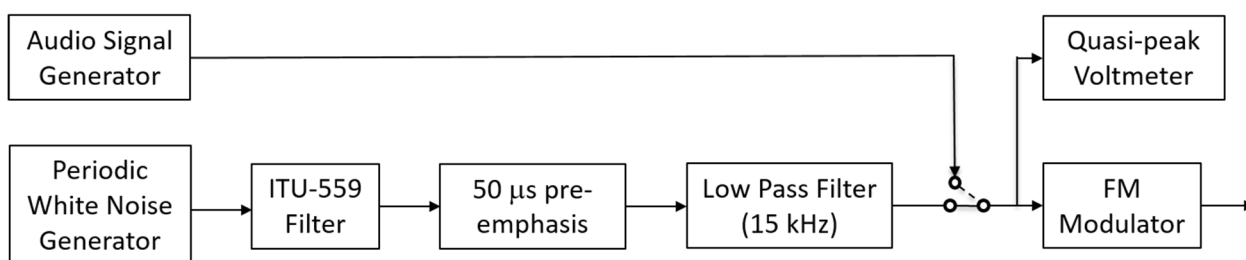
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Annex B (informative): Test signal generation

The test signals required for the FM radio selectivity tests can be generated using analogue or digital techniques.

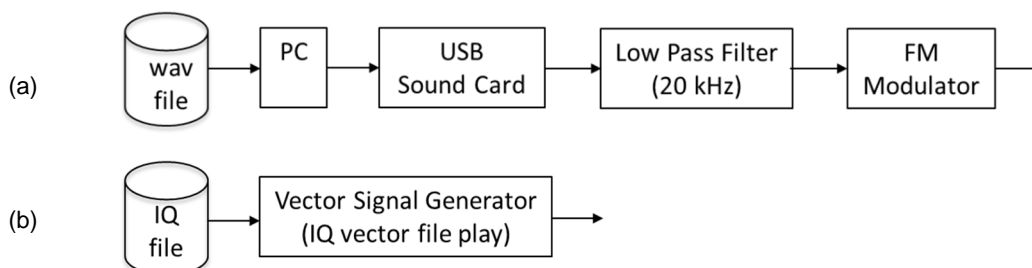
The analogue method is shown in figure B.1. An FM test signal generator is first modulated with a 500 Hz sinusoidal tone obtained from an audio signal generator. The level of the modulating signal at the input of the FM modulator is adjusted to obtain a deviation of ± 32 kHz. The audio level at the FM modulator input is measured by means of a noise voltmeter. The noise voltmeter consists of a quasi-peak voltmeter with defined dynamic characteristics (see Recommendation ITU-R BS.468-4 [2]). Any noise-weighting network is switched off. Next, the band-limited noise replaces the sinusoidal tone at the FM modulator input. The level of the noise signal at the FM modulator input is adjusted to give the same quasi-peak reading at the noise voltmeter as with the sinusoidal tone with the pre-emphasis disabled. Pre-emphasis is re-enabled for the receiver tests, which increases the level into the FM modulator by 0,7 dB.



NOTE: The low pass filter has a cut-off frequency of 15 kHz and a minimum roll-off of 60 dB/octave.

Figure B.1: Block diagram for hardware generated test signal

The digital methods may use a baseband audio file, as shown in figure B.2(a), or by using a vector signal generator, as shown in figure B.2(b).



NOTE: The low pass filter has a cut-off frequency of 20 kHz and a minimum roll-off of 40 dB/octave.

Figure B.2: Block diagrams for digitally generated test signals

Waveform files are contained in archive en_30334501v010101p0.zip which accompanies ETSI EN 303 345-1 [1] and are detailed in table B.1.

Table B.1: Test signal sequences

| Test signal | Description | Test signal filename | |
|-----------------|---|----------------------|------------------|
| | | Baseband signal | IQ vector signal |
| Wanted | 1 kHz tone, 60,8 kHz deviation | FM_Wanted.wav | FM_Wanted.wv |
| Unwanted | Recommendation ITU-R BS.559-2 [3] weighted noise (15 kHz BW limit, with pre-emphasis) | FM_Unwanted.wav | FM_Unwanted.wv |
| Blocking | 1 kHz tone, 80 % peak depth | Blocking.wav | Blocking.wv |
| Line-up | Line-up signal for baseband method | FM_Line_Up.wav | - |

When using the PC soundcard method, care is required to set the correct baseband level into the signal generator to achieve the required deviation of the FM carrier. The additional line-up signal can be used to align the modulation level. Modulation Auto Level Control (ALC) should be disabled, as it is likely to affect the crest factor of the Recommendation ITU-R BS.559-2 [3] weighted noise. The level of the line-up test signal should be increased from zero until the central carrier vanishes, viewed on a spectrum analyser, see figure B.3d). Replaying the wanted test signal at the same gain setting will then give the correct carrier deviation as defined in table B.2a.

Table B.2a: Required FM deviation for baseband test sequences

| Test Signal | Filename | Level | Crest factor | Deviation | |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | (dBFS) | (dB) | RMS (kHz) | Q-P (kHz) |
| Wanted | FM_Wanted.wav | -6,0 | 3,0 | 43,0 | 60,8 |
| Unwanted | FM_Unwanted.wav | -14,7 | 12,3 | 15,9 | 34,8 |
| Line-up | FM_Line_Up.wav | -16,0 | 3,0 | 13,6 | 19,2 |

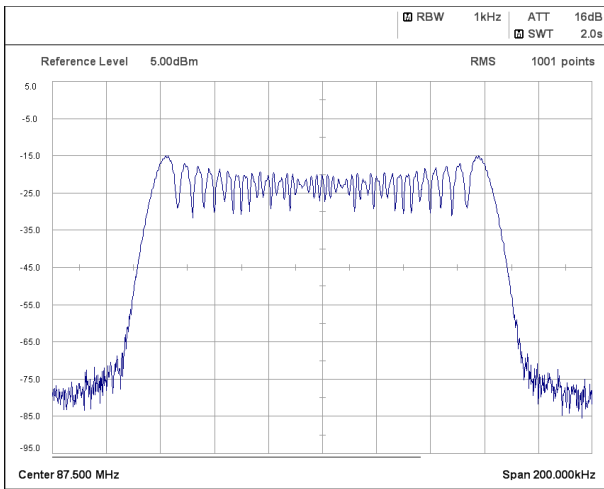
NOTE: Level is defined in accordance with AES17 [i.4].

Table B.2b: Required AM modulation depth for baseband test sequences

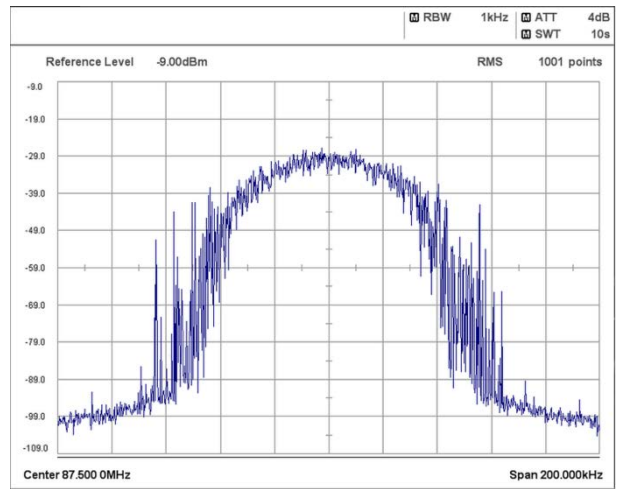
| Test Signal | Filename | Level | Crest factor | AM depth | |
|-----------------|--------------|--------|--------------|----------|---------|
| | | (dBFS) | (dB) | RMS (%) | Q-P (%) |
| Blocking | Blocking.wav | -6,0 | 3,0 | 56,6 | 80,0 |

NOTE: Level is defined in accordance with AES17 [i.4].

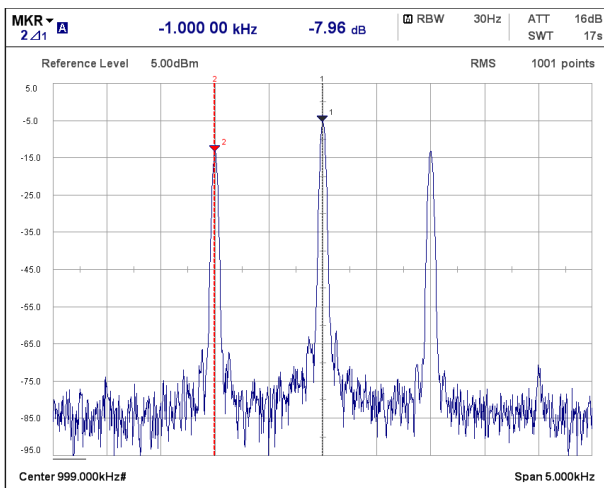
The typical RF spectra for the test signals listed in table B.1 are shown in figure B.3.



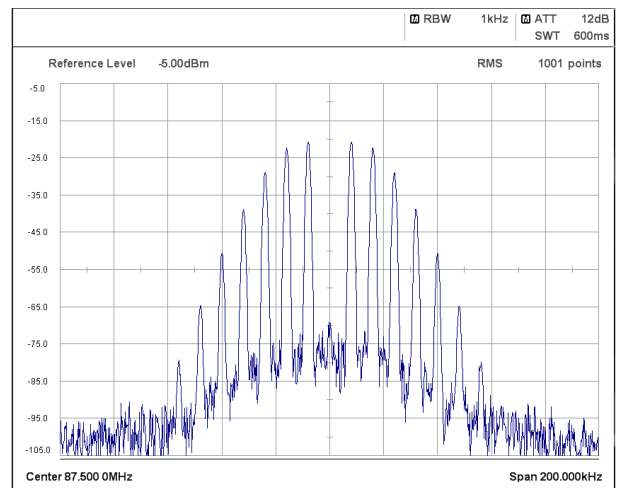
a) Wanted, 1 kHz tone, 43,0 kHz RMS deviation



b) Unwanted, ITU 559 noise, 15,9 kHz RMS deviation



c) Blocking, 1 kHz tone, 80 % AM peak depth



d) Line up, 8 kHz tone, 13,6 kHz RMS deviation

Figure B.3: Spectra of test signals

Annex C (informative): Development of the present document

C.1 Introduction

Broadcasting is a very established use of the radio spectrum, and as such, has a long history of development. This multi-part series covering broadcast receivers covers the various modulation schemes that are used for broadcasting in Member States. The essential requirements under the RED [i.1] are identical for each modulation scheme.

C.2 Relevance

All EU Member States have radio broadcasting transmission facilities, although the specific modulation methods used in each Member State vary. Broadcast radio signals travel across national frontiers and so this difference in transmission modulation is less marked in terms of the demodulation methods required in radio receivers for use in the homes, businesses and vehicles of EU citizens.

C.3 Receiver parameters under article 3.2

C.3.1 General

Clause 5.3 of the ETSI guide, ETSI EG 203 336 [i.5], lists the receiver parameters that should be considered when producing Harmonised Standards that aim to cover the essential requirements in article 3.2 of Directive 2014/53/EU [i.1].

The intention of article 3.2 of Directive 2014/53/EU [i.1] in relation to a receiver is explained in recitals 10 and 11 of the Directive which states:

"...in the case of a receiver, it has a level of performance that allows it to operate as intended and protects it against the risk of harmful interference, in particular from shared or adjacent channels, and, in so doing, supports improvements in the efficient use of shared or adjacent channels.

Although receivers do not themselves cause harmful interference, reception capabilities are an increasingly important factor in ensuring the efficient use of radio spectrum by way of an increased resilience of receivers against harmful interference and unwanted signals on the basis of the relevant essential requirements of Union harmonisation legislation."

Broadcast radio receivers operate under spectrum conditions managed by national radio regulators which carefully plan and license broadcast transmitters to use spectrum efficiently and to ensure a diverse content offering. For FM transmissions in Europe, the GE84 agreement [i.6] is used as the basis for coordinating the locations and powers of broadcast transmitters.

C.3.2 Receiver sensitivity

Receiver sensitivity is the ability to receive a wanted signal at low input signal levels while providing a pre-determined level of performance.

A specific test for receiver sensitivity is included in the present document (see clause 4.2) because:

- the service area of the licensed broadcast transmitter is defined in terms of the minimum field strength;
- the sensitivity requirement of the receiver needs to be known when specifying other performance parameters.

Sensitivity is specified in line with broadcast planning rules based on Recommendation ITU-R BS.412-9 [i.7]. As broadcast radio receivers may use either internal or external antennas, limits are specified for both radiated and conducted signals.

C.3.3 Receiver co-channel rejection

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

A specific test for co-channel rejection is not included because the co-channel rejection performance of the receiver combined with the receiver noise figure directly affects the sensitivity performance, which is tested. The required limits for sensitivity ensure that products have the required co-channel rejection.

Broadcast planning ensures that transmission powers levels and reuse distances of the same frequency are coordinated to minimize the amount of co-channel energy.

C.3.4 Receiver selectivity

C.3.4.1 General

Receiver selectivity is described in Recommendation ITU-R SM.332-4 [i.8] identifying the capability to receive a wanted signal, without exceeding a given degradation, due to the presence of an unwanted signal, which differs in frequency from the wanted signal by a specified amount.

C.3.4.2 Single signal selectivity

C.3.4.2.1 Receiver adjacent signal selectivity (adjacent channel selectivity)

A specific test for ACS is included in the present document (see clause 4.3) because planning of the broadcast spectrum assumes that receivers will achieve a certain minimum selectivity. The receiver is tested with a modulated noise signal present in one of the three channels below and above the wanted channel (i.e. ± 2 , ± 3 and ± 4 channels). These channel offsets provide the most critical interference scenarios that will be encountered by a receiver.

ACS is specified in line with broadcast planning rules based on Recommendation ITU-R BS.412-9 [i.7]. As broadcast radio receivers may use either internal or external antennas, limits are specified for both radiated and conducted signals.

C.3.4.2.2 Receiver spurious response rejection

The spurious response rejection is a measure of the capability of the receiver to receive a wanted signal without exceeding a given degradation due to the presence of an unwanted signal at any frequency at which a response is obtained. The frequencies of the adjacent signals (channels) are excluded.

A specific test for spurious response rejection is not included in the present document because the design architecture of the receiver would need to be known in order to determine the critical test parameters to provide an economically proportionate testing regime. Broadcast receivers have not historically suffered specifically from this issue.

C.3.4.3 Receiver multiple signal selectivity

C.3.4.3.1 Receiver blocking

Receiver blocking is a measure of the capability of the receiver to receive a wanted signal without exceeding a given degradation due to the presence of an unwanted input signal at any frequency other than those of the spurious responses or of the adjacent channels.

A specific test for receiver blocking is included in the present document (see clause 4.3) because narrowband high-level interference from other sources may be present. The blocking signal is specified at a much greater separation to the wanted signal than for the ACS testing and the test is designed to ensure receivers can cope with high signal levels at a frequency away from the wanted signal. As broadcast radio receivers may use either internal or external antennas, limits are specified for both radiated and conducted signals.

C.3.4.3.2 Receiver radio-frequency intermodulation

The receiver radio-frequency intermodulation response rejection is a measure of the capability of the receiver to receive a wanted signal, without exceeding a given degradation due to the presence of at least two unwanted signals at frequencies F_1 and F_2 with a specific frequency relationship to the wanted signal frequency.

A specific test for receiver radio-frequency intermodulation response rejection is not included in the present document because intermodulation in the RF tuner will result in a degradation in the adjacent channel selectivity, which is extensively tested.

C.3.4.3.3 Receiver adjacent signal selectivity (adjacent channel selectivity)

Receiver adjacent signal selectivity (adjacent channel selectivity) can be part of multiple signal selectivity because attenuation of the interfering signal will require linear signal processing in the receiver even if the specified interferer is a constant envelope signal.

A specific test for ACS with multiple interferers is not included in the present document because NZIF technology is not used and broadcast planning is designed to ensure that adjacent channel interference levels are not significantly higher than the wanted signal. Broadcast planning is coupled with effective regulation and enforcement.

C.3.4.4 Other receiver effects

C.3.4.4.1 Receiver dynamic range

Receiver "dynamic range" is a generic term broadly defined as the range of input signal levels over which a receiver functions at a specified performance level.

A specific test for receiver dynamic range is not included in the present document because the sensitivity, ACS and blocking tests provide testing of both low- and high-level signal situations.

C.3.4.4.2 Reciprocal mixing

Reciprocal mixing is where noise sidebands of the Local Oscillator (LO) mix with unwanted signals producing unwanted noise at the frequency of the receiver which may result in degraded receiver sensitivity. In Direct Digital Conversion receivers (DDC) a similar effect occurs caused by the phase jitter of the clock associated with the ADC.

A specific test for reciprocal mixing is not included in the present document because the effect of reciprocal mixing is to degrade the ACS performance, which is tested. The ACS performance is measured with the wanted signal at a low level and so any noise resulting from reciprocal mixing will cause an apparent decrease in the sensitivity of the receiver, which in turn makes the ACS requirement harder to meet.

C.3.4.4.3 Desensitization

Desensitization is a degradation of receiver sensitivity caused by the presence of a large unwanted signal. The term is most commonly applied when an unwanted signal is present in the receiver which is above a receiver's linear "dynamic range" resulting in desensitization for example by the process of gain compression.

A specific test for desensitization is not included in the present document because the blocking test addresses this potential problem by testing performance in the presence of a large unwanted signal.

C.3.5 Receiver unwanted emissions in the spurious domain

A specific test for receiver unwanted emissions in the spurious domain is included in the present document (see clause 4.4).

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