

**§ 90.281 Restrictions on operational fixed stations in the 421–430 MHz band.**

(a) Except for control stations, operational fixed facilities will not be authorized in the 421–430 MHz band. This does not preclude secondary fixed tone signaling and alarm operations authorized in § 90.235.

(b) Control stations associated with one or more mobile relay stations will be authorized only on the assigned frequency of the associated mobile station. Use of a mobile service frequency by a control station of a mobile relay system is subject to the condition that harmful interference shall not be caused to stations of licensees authorized to use the frequency for mobile service communications.

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**§ 90.283 [Reserved]**

**Subpart L—Authorization in the Band 470–512 MHz (UHF-TV Sharing)**

**§ 90.301 Scope.**

This subpart governs the authorization and use of frequencies by land mobile stations in the band 470–512 MHz on a geographically shared basis with Television Broadcast stations. Under this special sharing plan, different frequencies are allocated depending on the geographic urban area involved as fully detailed in the following rule sections.

[43 FR 54791, Nov. 22, 1978, as amended at 62 FR 18932, Apr. 17, 1997]

**§ 90.303 Availability of frequencies.**

Frequencies in the band 470–512 MHz are available for assignment in the urbanized areas listed below. The specific frequencies available are listed in § 90.311 of this part. Note: Coordinates are referenced to North American Datum 1983 (NAD83).

| Urbanized area                     | Geographic center |                | Channel | Frequencies (megahertz) |
|------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------|---------|-------------------------|
|                                    | North latitude    | West longitude |         |                         |
| Boston, MA .....                   | 42° 21' 24.4"     | 71° 03' 23.2"  | 14      | 470–476                 |
| Chicago, IL <sup>3</sup> .....     | 41° 52' 28.1"     | 87° 38' 22.2"  | 16      | 482–488                 |
| Cleveland, OH <sup>4</sup> .....   | 41° 29' 51.2"     | 81° 41' 49.5"  | 14      | 470–476                 |
| Dallas/Fort Worth, TX .....        | 32° 47' 09.5"     | 96° 47' 38.0"  | 16      | 482–488                 |
| Detroit, MI <sup>5</sup> .....     | 42° 19' 48.1"     | 83° 02' 56.7"  | 15      | 476–482                 |
| Houston, TX .....                  | 29° 45' 26.8"     | 95° 21' 37.8"  | 16      | 482–488                 |
| Los Angeles, CA <sup>6</sup> ..... | 34° 03' 15.0"     | 118° 14' 31.3" | 17      | 488–494                 |
| Miami, FL .....                    | 25° 46' 38.4"     | 80° 11' 31.2"  | 14      | 470–476                 |
| New York/N.E. NJ .....             | 40° 45' 06.4"     | 73° 59' 37.5"  | 14      | 470–476                 |
| Philadelphia, PA .....             | 39° 56' 58.4"     | 75° 09' 19.6"  | 15      | 476–482                 |
| Pittsburgh, PA .....               | 40° 26' 19.2"     | 79° 59' 59.2"  | 19      | 500–506                 |
| San Francisco/Oakland, CA .....    | 37° 46' 38.7"     | 122° 24' 43.9" | 20      | 506–512                 |
| Wash., DC/MD/VA .....              | 38° 53' 51.4"     | 77° 00' 31.9"  | 14      | 470–476                 |
|                                    |                   |                | 18      | 494–500                 |

<sup>3</sup> In the Chicago, IL, urbanized area, channel 15 frequencies may be used for paging operations in addition to low power base/mobile usages, where applicable protection requirements for ultrahigh frequency television stations are met.

<sup>4</sup> Channels 14 and 15 are not available in Cleveland, OH, until further order from the Commission.

<sup>5</sup> Channels 15 and 16 are not available in Detroit, MI, until further order from the Commission.

<sup>6</sup> Channel 16 is available in Los Angeles for use by public safety users.

## § 90.305

[63 FR 68965, Dec. 14, 1998]

### § 90.305 Location of stations.

(a) The transmitter site(s) for base station(s), including mobile relay stations, shall be located not more than 80 km. (50 mi.) from the geographic center of the urbanized area listed in § 90.303.

(b) Mobile units shall be operated within 48 km. (30 mi.) of their associated base station or stations. Such units may not be operated aboard aircraft in flight except as provided for in § 90.315(i).

(c) Control stations must be located within the area of operation of the mobile units.

(d) Base and control stations shall be located a minimum of 1.6 km. (1 mi.) from local television stations operating on UHF TV channels separated by 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 TV channels from the television channel in which the base station will operate.

### § 90.307 Protection criteria.

The tables and figures listed in § 90.309 shall be used to determine the proper power (ERP) and antenna height of the proposed land mobile base station and the proper power (ERP) for the associated control station (control station antenna height shall not exceed 31 m. (100 ft.) above average terrain (AAT)).

(a) Base stations operating on the frequencies available for land mobile use in any listed urbanized area and having an antenna height (AAT) less than 152 m. (500 ft.) shall afford protection to co-channel and adjacent channel television stations in accordance with the values set out in tables A and E of this subpart, except for Channel 15 in New York, NY, and Cleveland, OH, and Channel 16 in Detroit, MI, where protection will be in accordance with the values set forth in tables B and E.

(b) For base stations having antenna heights between 152-914 meters (500-3,000 ft.) above average terrain, the effective radiated power must be reduced below 1 kilowatt in accordance with the values shown in the power reduction graph in Figure A, except for Channel 15 in New York, NY, and Cleveland, OH, and Channel 16 in Detroit, MI, where the effective radiated power must be reduced in accordance

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with Figure B. For heights of more than 152 m. (500 ft.) above average terrain, the distance to the radio path horizon will be calculated assuming smooth earth. If the distance so determined equals or exceeds the distance to the Grade B contour of a co-channel TV station, (Grade B contour defined in § 73.683(a)) an authorization will not be granted unless it can be shown that actual terrain considerations are such as to provide the desired protection at the Grade B contour, or that the effective radiated power will be further reduced so that, assuming free space attenuation, the desired protection at the Grade B contour will be achieved.

(c) Mobile units and control stations operating on the frequencies available for land mobile use in any given urbanized area shall afford protection to co-channel and adjacent channel television stations in accordance with the values set forth in table C and paragraph (d) of this section except for Channel 15 in New York, NY, and Cleveland, OH, and Channel 16 in Detroit, MI, where protection will be in accordance with the values set forth in table D and paragraph (d) of this section.

(d) The minimum distance between a land mobile base station which has associated mobile units and a protected adjacent channel television station is 145 km (90 miles).

(e) The television stations to be protected (co-channel, adjacent channel, IM, and IF) in any given urbanized area, in accordance with the provisions of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), and (d) of this section, are identified in the commission's publication "TV stations to be considered in the preparation of Applications for Land Mobile Facilities in the Band 470-512 MHz." The publication is available at the offices of the Federal Communications Commission at Washington, DC or upon the request of interested persons.

[43 FR 54791, Nov. 22, 1978, as amended at 49 FR 36107, Sept. 14, 1984; 58 FR 44957, Aug. 25, 1993]

### § 90.309 Tables and figures.

(a) *Directions for using the tables.* (1) Using the method specified in § 73.611 or