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#### English version

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Norme produit pour la démonstration de la conformité des stations de base radio et des stations terminales fixes pour les radiotélécommunications, aux restrictions de base et aux niveaux de référence relatifs à l'exposition de l'homme aux champs électromagnétiques (110 MHz - 40 GHz) – Application au public en général Produktnorm zur Konformitätsüberprüfung von Mobilfunk-Basisstationen und stationären Teilnehmergeräten für schnurlose Telekommunikationsanlagen im Hinblick auf die Basisgrenz- und Referenzwerte bezüglich der Exposition von Personen gegenüber elektromagnetischen Feldern (110 MHz bis 40 GHz) – Allgemeinbevölkerung

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#### **Foreword**

This European Standard was prepared by the Technical Committee CENELEC TC 106X, Electromagnetic fields in the human environment.

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(dow) 2005-07-01

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#### 1 Scope

This product standard applies to radio base stations and fixed terminal stations for wireless telecommunication systems as defined in Clause 3, operating in the frequency range 110 MHz to 40 GHz.

The object of this standard is to demonstrate the compliance of such product with the basic restrictions (directly or indirectly via compliance with reference levels) related to general public exposure to radio frequency electromagnetic fields.

#### 2 Normative references

This European Standard incorporates by dated or undated reference, provisions from other publications. These normative references are cited at the appropriate places in the text and the publications are listed hereafter. For dated references, subsequent amendments to or revisions of any of these publications apply to this European Standard only when incorporated in it by amendment or revision. For undated references the latest edition of the publication referred to applies (including amendments).

EN 50383, Basic standard for the calculation and measurement of human exposure to electromagnetic fields from radio base stations and fixed terminal stations for wireless telecommunication systems (110 MHz – 40 GHz)

Council Recommendation 1999/519/EC of 12 July 1999 on the limitation of exposure of the general public to electromagnetic fields (0 Hz to 300 GHz) (Official Journal L 197 of 30 July 1999).

#### 3 Definitions

For the purposes of this European Standard, the following definitions apply.

#### 3.1

#### basic restrictions

restrictions on exposure to time-varying electric, magnetic, and electromagnetic fields that are based directly on established health effects. In the frequency range from 110 MHz to 10 GHz, the physical quantity used is the specific absorption rate. Between 10 GHz and 40 GHz, the physical quantity is the power density

#### 3.2

#### base station

in this product standard, the term "base station" (BS) covers radio base stations as well as fixed terminal stations intended for use in wireless telecommunications networks. A base station comprises the hardware, including tranceivers, necessary to transmit and receive radio signals. Base stations with integrated antennas, base stations with connectors for external antennas and base stations intended for use with external antennas not supplied by the same manufacturer are covered

#### 3.3

#### compliance boundary

a compliance boundary defines a volume outside which any point of investigation is deemed to be compliant

#### 3.4

### continuous exposure

exposure for a duration exceeding the averaging time

#### 3.5

#### electric field strength (E)

the magnitude of a field vector at a point that represents the force (F) on a positive small charge (q) divided by the charge. Electric field strength is expressed in units of volts per metre (V/m)

#### 3.6

#### magnetic field strength (H)

the magnitude of a field vector in a point that results in a force (F) on a charge q moving with the velocity v. The magnetic field strength is expressed in units of ampere per metre (A/m)

#### 3.7

#### power density

the radiant power incident perpendicular to a surface, divided by the area of the surface. The power density is expressed in units of watt per square metre (W/m²)

#### 3.8

#### radio frequency (RF)

for purposes of these safety considerations, the frequency range of interest is 110 MHz to 40 GHz

#### 3.9

#### reference level

reference levels are provided for the purpose of comparison with exposure quantities in air. Respect of the reference levels will ensure respect of the basic restriction. In the frequency range 110 MHz to 40 GHz the reference levels are expressed as electric field strength, magnetic field strength and power density values

#### 3.10

#### specific absorption rate (SAR)

the time derivative of the incremental energy (dW) absorbed by (dissipated in) an incremental mass (dm) contained in a volume element (dV) of given mass density  $(\rho)$ 

$$SAR = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{dW}{dm} \right) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{dW}{\rho dV} \right) \tag{1}$$

SAR is expressed in units of watts per kilogram (W/kg).

NOTE SAR can be calculated by:

$$SAR = \frac{\sigma E_i^2}{\rho} \tag{2}$$

$$SAR = c_i \frac{\rho}{dT}_{\text{(t=0)}}$$
(3)

where

 $E_i$ : rms value of the electric field strength in the tissue in V/m

 $\sigma$  : conductivity of body tissue in S/m

 $\rho$  : density of body tissue in kg/m<sup>3</sup>

 $C_i$ : heat capacity of body tissue in J/kg K

 $\frac{dT}{dt}$ : time derivative of temperature in body tissue in K/s

<sup>1)</sup> This equation does not address thermal regulation in a live person.

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#### 4 Conditions for calculation and measurement

The assessment of compliance boundary shall be performed by calculation and/or measurement in accordance with EN 50383.

The base station shall be operating in accordance with the manufacturer's specification. Calculations and/or measurements on base stations intended for use with external antennas shall be performed for at least one typical system configuration consisting of a combination of the base station and an antenna system representative of the intended final use.

#### 5 Limits

The base station shall comply with the relevant limits for general public exposure specified as basic restrictions or reference levels in the Council Recommendation 1999/519/EC (see Clause 2).

#### 6 Evaluation of results and determination of compliance

If the average power emitted by the base station is less than or equal to 20 mW then the base station is deemed to comply without testing.

If the average power emitted by the base station is more than 20 mW, then E, H or SAR calculations and/or measurements shall be performed according to Clause 4. The results of calculations and/or measurements shall be compared directly to the limits.

The product is deemed to fulfil the requirements of this standard if the calculated and/or measured values are less than or equal to the limits.

NOTE In the setting of basic restrictions and the derived reference levels, safety factors have been taken into account. In the specification of the assessment method, uncertainty has been constrained. This is the reason for not requiring that the measured values shall be compared to the limit reduced by the measurement uncertainty.

#### 7 Documentation

The legal entity responsible for putting the product on the market shall provide with the product the following information:

- 1) output power and antenna characteristics, if the product is equipped with integral antennas;
- 2) a detailed description of at least one typical normal configuration, including antenna system (feeders, connectors, combiners, antennas, etc.), if the product is intended to be used with external antennas;
- 3) compliance boundaries for general public exposure. If the product is intended for use with external antennas, compliance boundaries shall be given for the given typical system configurations;
- 4) information on how to determine exposure levels and compliance boundaries for any optional system configuration not specified in detail;
- 5) information on how to install the product or the external antennas in order to ensure that people are outside the compliance boundaries.

# Annex A (informative)

### **Declaration of conformity**

This declaration can be used as a uniform way of giving information of compliance to interested parties.

## Information to whom it may concern

# **DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY WITH EN 50385**

Legal entity responsible for putting the product on the market
hereby declares that the product described below
is in full compliance with the requirements of the standard EN 50385
Other relevant information:
Date
Date Signature

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# Annex B (informative)

#### **A-deviations**

**A-deviation**: National deviation due to regulations, the alteration of which is for the time being outside the competence of the CEN/CENELEC member.

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NOTE (from CEN/CENELEC IR Part 2, 2.17): Where standards fall under EC Directives, it is the view of the Commission of the European Communities (OJ No C 59; 1982-03-09) that the effect of the decision of the Court of Justice in case 815/79 Cremonini/Vrankovich (European Court Reports 1980, p. 3583) is that compliance with A-deviations is no longer mandatory and that the free movement of products complying with such a standard should not be restricted except under the safeguard procedure provided for in the relevant Directive.

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<u>Clause</u> <u>Deviation</u>

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