
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1988 No. 135

TELEGRAPHS

The Wireless Telegraphy (Licence Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1988

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>28th January 1988</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>8th February 1988</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>1st March 1988</i>

The Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 2(1) of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949⁽¹⁾, as enacted and also as extended by the Wireless Telegraphy (Channel Islands) Order 1952⁽²⁾ and the Wireless Telegraphy (Isle of Man) Order 1952⁽³⁾ and now vested in him⁽⁴⁾, and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby, with the consent of the Treasury, makes the following Regulations:—

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Wireless Telegraphy (Licence Charges) (Amendment) Regulations 1988 and shall come into force on 1st March 1988.

2. In these Regulations “the principal Regulations” means the Wireless Telegraphy (Licence Charges) Regulations 1986⁽⁵⁾.

3. For Part I of the Schedule to the principal Regulations there shall be substituted the table entitled “Part I of the Schedule” in the Schedule to these Regulations.

4. In regulation 1 of the principal Regulations the definition of “base station” shall be amended to read ““base or fixed station” means a station for wireless telegraphy installed at a fixed location”.

5. In regulation 2 of the principal Regulations,

- (a) the words “or which relates to the frequencies appearing in the second column of Part I of the Schedule whose use is permitted by such licence,” shall be deleted; and
- (b) for the word “third” in paragraph (a) there shall be substituted the word “second”; and
- (c) for the word “fourth” in paragraph (b) there shall be substituted the word “third”; and
- (d) paragraph (c) shall be deleted.

6. In regulation 3 of the principal Regulations,

(1) 1949 c. 54.
(2) S.I. 1952/1900.
(3) S.I. 1952/1899.
(4) 1969 c. 48; S.I. 1969/1369, 1371, 1974/691.
(5) S.I. 1986/1039.

- (a) for the word “sixth” in paragraph (1) there shall be substituted the word “fifth”; and
- (b) for the word “fifth” in paragraph (2) there shall be substituted the word “fourth”.

7. Regulation 4 of the principal Regulations shall have effect subject to the following amendments that is to say—

1. Paragraph 1 shall be deleted and replaced with the following:—

“(1) In computing the variable sums prescribed in the third column of Part I of the Schedule on the issue or renewal of any Regulation Licence:—

- (a) the number of mobile stations shall be the number of such stations comprised in such licence;
- (b) the word “group”, where it appears in relation to any Private Mobile Radio Licence, means one or more but not more than 20 mobile stations;
- (c) the word “channel” means those frequencies designated for use by the licensee of a Regulation Licence with a bandwidth of emission designated in connection with such use for the transmission or reception of wireless telegraphy in accordance with the terms of such licence;
- (d) the words “national channel” mean a channel designated for the exclusive use by the licensee of a Regulation Licence by such of the stations the subject of such licence as are situated in Great Britain and the Isle of Man;
- (e) the word “link” means a connection by wireless telegraphy between any two stations using a frequency designated for that purpose in such licence;
“narrow-band” link means a link where the bandwidth of the emission designated in connection with its use for a given class of emission under such licence does not occupy more than 50 kHz necessary bandwidth;
“medium-band” link means a link where the bandwidth of the emission designated in connection with its use for a given class of emission under such licence occupies more than 50 kHz but less than 3.5 MHz necessary bandwidth;
“wide-band” link means a link where the bandwidth of the emission designated in connection with its use for a given class of emission under such licence occupies more than 3.5 MHz necessary bandwidth.”

2. Sub-paragraphs 3(a) and (b) shall be deleted and replaced with the following:—

- (a) “(3) The sum referred to at the third column of Part I of the Schedule in respect of the issue of either—
 - (i) a Band III Private Mobile Radio National Trunked Service Licence; or
 - (ii) a Band III Private Mobile Radio Trunked Service Licence; or
 - (iii) a National Public Radiotelephone Service Licenceshall be payable only in respect of such licences which are issued after the date on which these Regulations come into force.
- (b) The sums referred to at the third column of Part I of the Schedule in respect of the renewal of any such licence named at sub-paragraph (3)(a) above shall be payable on the respective anniversaries of the date of issue of each such licence as specified in the said column. On each succeeding unspecified anniversary the sum to be paid shall be:
 - (i) £500,000 in respect of a Band III Private Mobile Radio National Trunked Service Licence;

- (ii) £1000 for each channel in respect of a Band III Private Mobile Radio Trunked Service Licence;
- (iii) £5000 for each national channel in respect of a National Public Radio-telephone Service Licence.”

23rd January 1988

John Butcher
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State,
Department of Trade and Industry

We consent to these Regulations.

28th January 1988

Michael Neubert
Mark Lennox-Boyd
Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her
Majesty’s Treasury

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THE SCHEDULE

PART I OF THE SCHEDULE

<i>Type of Licence</i>	<i>Fixed Sums</i>	<i>Variable Sums</i>	<i>One Payment Only</i>	<i>Interval of Payment</i>
Aeronautical				
Aeronautical Ground Station (General)	£50.00			Yearly
Aeronautical Ground Station (Glider, Hang Glider and Balloon)	£25.00			Yearly
Aeronautical Ground Station (Special)	£75.00			Yearly
Aeronautical Ground Station (Special Mobile)	£25.00			Yearly
Aircraft	£25.00			Yearly
Aircraft (Glider, Hang Glider and Balloon)	£17.50			Yearly
Amateur				
Amateur Radio (A)	£12.00			Yearly
Amateur Radio (B)	£12.00			Yearly
Amateur Radio Beacon and Repeater		£12.00 for each station comprised in the licence		Yearly
Citizens' Band				
Citizens' Band Radio	£12.00			Yearly
Fixed Services				
Fixed Radio-Relay Link		£100 for each narrow-band link whose use is permitted by the licence; £200 for each medium-band link whose use is permitted		Yearly

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		by the licence; £300 for each wide-band link whose use is permitted by the licence		
Scanning Telemetry Link		£25.00 for each station whose use is permitted by the licence		Yearly
Temporary Fixed Link		£75.00 for each link whose use is permitted by the licence	Payment made on issue only	
Maritime				
Light Station	£25.00			Every Five Years
Maritime Business Radio		As for Private Mobile Radio (Standard)		Yearly
Maritime Business Radio (Base Station Only)	£50.00			Yearly
Port Operations Radio	£150			Yearly
Ship Radio	£50.00			Yearly
Ship Radio (Emergency only)	£25.00			Every Five Years
Ship Radio (Transportable)	£25.00			Yearly
Ship Radio (VHF)	£17.50			Yearly
Navigational Aids				
Radar Beacon	£25.00			Every Five Years
Radar (Land) Station	£25.00			Every Five Years
Radio Beacon	£25.00			Every Five Years
Paging				
Induction Communication (Return Speech)		£25.00 for each base station		Yearly

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		comprised in the licence		
Local Communications		£75.00 for each base station comprised in the licence		Yearly
Radiating Cable		£50.00 for each base station comprised in the licence		Yearly
Radio Paging (Standard)		£25.00 for each base station comprised in the licence		Yearly
Radio Paging (Return Speech)		£75.00 for each base station comprised in the licence		Yearly
Local Wide Area Paging		£250 for each base station comprised in the licence subject as provided in Regulation 4(2)(b) of the principal Regulations		Yearly
National Wide Area Paging		£5,000 for each national channel		Yearly
Private Mobile Radio				
Private Mobile Radio (Standard)		£120 for one or more but not exceeding 10 mobile stations; £250 for more than 10 but not exceeding 25 mobile stations; £400 for more than 25 but not exceeding 40 mobile stations plus £200 for each successive group where the number of mobile		Yearly

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		stations exceeds 40, or £5,000 for each national channel		
Private Mobile Radio Demonstration		As for Private Mobile Radio (Standard)		Yearly
Private Mobile Radio Short Term Hire		As for Private Mobile Radio (Standard)		Yearly
Message Handling Service		£250 for each channel designated for use by each base station comprised in the licence subject as provided in Regulation 4(2)(a) of the principal Regulations		Yearly
Private Mobile Radio Service Provider		£750 for each channel		Yearly
Band III Private Mobile Radio National Trunked Service	£100,000 on the date of issue of the licence; £200,000 on the first anniversary; £300,000 on the second anniversary; £400,000 on the third anniversary; £500,000 on the fourth anniversary and thereafter as provided in Regulation 4(3) of the principal Regulations			Yearly
Band III Private Mobile Radio Trunked Service		£500 for each channel on the date of issue of the licence; £750 for each		Yearly

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National Public Radiotelephone Service		channel on the first anniversary; £1,000 for each channel on the second anniversary and thereafter as provided in Regulation 4(3) of the principal Regulations £1,000 for each national channel on the date of issue of the licence; £2,000 for each national channel on the first anniversary; £3,000 for each national channel on the second anniversary; £4,000 for each national channel on the third anniversary; £5,000 for each national channel on the fourth anniversary and thereafter as provided in Regulation 4(3) of the principal Regulations		Yearly
Miscellaneous				
Local Authority (Emergency Alarm) Radio	£100			Yearly
Meteorological (Receive Only)	£10.00		Payment made on issue only	
Police and Fire Service Comprehensive Radio	£2,000			Yearly

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Police Burglar Alarm	£25.00			Every Five Years
Police CB Monitoring	£10.00		Payment made on issue only	
Radar Speedmeter		£12.00 for each station comprised in the licence		Yearly
Telemetry, Telecommand and Teleapproach Radio		£25.00 for each station comprised in the licence		Yearly
Television Receive Only Satellite Receiving Equipment (TVRO)	£10.00		Payment made on issue only	
Testing and Development (Radiating)	£50.00			Yearly
Testing and Development (Suppressed Radiation)	£12.00			Yearly
Training Establishment Radio	£25.00			Every Five Years

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations, which amend the Wireless Telegraphy (Licence Charges) Regulations 1986 (“the principal Regulations”), increase the fees payable on the issue and renewal of most wireless telegraphy licences granted under section 1 of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 1949.

Regulation 3 re-enacts Part 1 of the Schedule to the principal Regulations with amendments. In addition to drafting amendments such as the deletion of the unused second column of Part 1 of the Schedule effected by regulations 5 and 6, it makes the following changes of substance. The 59 licence types listed in the original Schedule to the principal Regulations have been reduced in number by the creation of some new, composite licences and the exemption of some other wireless telegraphy

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apparatus from licensing. Those fees which are fixed now range between £10 and £100,000. Such fees are now shown in the second column of Part 1 of the Schedule against the licences concerned. Those fees having a variable element are shown also against the appropriate licence in the third column and regulation 7 alters the points of charge used in computing such variable element. All fees are to be paid at the intervals indicated in the fourth and fifth columns of Part 1 of the Schedule.