

Reference: 01597785

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Freedom of Information request: Right to know request

Thank you for your request for information concerning whether or not ICNIRP 'exclusion zones' are required to be calculated for IX Wireless mast antennae. This follow-up request was received on 13 April 2023 and we have considered it under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the "FOI Act") and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (the "EIR").

Your request

Please can you confirm whether or not ICNIRP 'exclusion zones' (also known as Compliance Limit Distances) are required to be calculated for IX Wireless mast antennae?

Our response

As explained in our previous response, licensees (including IX Wireless) that transmit at powers above 10 Watts EIRP need to comply with the EMF licence condition. This will generally involve carrying out an EMF assessment (except where the circumstances set out in paragraph 6.12 of our EMF Guidance apply), which may involve calculating compliance distances, e.g. using methods in recognised standards or our EMF calculator. Full details of the types of EMF assessments we accept are set out in section 6 of our EMF Guidance.

If you have any further queries, then please send them to <u>information.requests@ofcom.org.uk</u> quoting the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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If you are unhappy with the response you have received in relation to your request for information and/or consider that your request was refused without a reason valid under the law, you may ask for an internal review. If you ask us for an internal review of our decision, it will be subject to an independent review within Ofcom.

The following outcomes are possible:

- \bullet the original decision is upheld; or
- the original decision is reversed or modified.

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Timing

If you wish to exercise your right to an internal review **you should contact us within two months of the date of this letter**. There is no statutory deadline for responding to internal reviews and it will depend upon the complexity of the case. However, we aim to conclude all such reviews within 20 working days, and up to 40 working days in exceptional cases. We will keep you informed of the progress of any such review. If you wish to request an internal review, you should contact information.requests@ofcom.org.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Further information about this, and the internal review process can be found on the Information Commissioner's Office here. Alternatively, the Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF