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Subpart A—General Information

§27.1 Basis and purpose.

This section contains the statutory basis for this part of the rules and provides the purpose for which this part is issued.

- (a) Basis. The rules for miscellaneous wireless communications services (WCS) in this part are promulgated under the provisions of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, that vest authority in the Federal Communications Commission to regulate radio transmission and to issue licenses for radio stations.
- (b) *Purpose*. This part states the conditions under which spectrum is made available and licensed for the provision of wireless communications services in the following bands.
 - (1) 2305-2320 MHz and 2345-2360 MHz.
- (2) 746–758 MHz, 775–788 MHz, and 805–806 MHz.
 - (3) 698-746 MHz.
 - (4) 1390–1392 MHz.
 - (5) 1392–1395 MHz and 1432–1435 MHz.
 - (6) 1670-1675 MHz.
 - (7) 1915-1920 MHz and 1995-2000 MHz.
 - (8) 1710-1755 MHz and 2110-2155 MHz.
 - (9) 2495-2690 MHz.
 - (10) 2000-2020 MHz and 2180-2200 MHz.
 - (11) 1695-1710 MHz.
 - (12) 1755–1780 MHz.
 - (13) 2155–2180 MHz.
- (14) Spectrum in the 470-698 MHz UHF band that has been reallocated and redesignated for flexible fixed and mobile use pursuant to section 6403 of the

Spectrum Act. The specific frequencies and number of channel blocks will be determined in light of further proceedings pursuant to Docket No. 12–268 and the rule will be updated accordingly pursuant to a future public notice.

(c) *Scope*. The rules in this part apply only to stations authorized under this part.

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§ 27.2 Permissible communications.

- (a) Miscellaneous wireless communications services. Except as provided in paragraph (b) or (d) of this section and subject to technical and other rules contained in this part, a licensee in the frequency bands specified in §27.5 may provide any services for which its frequency bands are allocated, as set forth in the non-Federal Government column of the Table of Allocations in §2.106 of this chapter (column 5).
- (b) 775-776 MHz and 805-806 MHz bands. Operators in the 775-776 MHz and 805-806 MHz bands may not employ a cellular system architecture. A cellular system architecture is defined, for purposes of this part, as one that consists of many small areas or cells (segmented from a larger geographic service area), each of which uses its own base station, to enable frequencies to be reused at relatively short distances.
- (c) Satellite DARS. Satellite digital audio radio service (DARS) may be provided using the 2310–2320 and 2345–2360 MHz bands. Satellite DARS service shall be provided in a manner consistent with part 25 of this chapter.
- (d) 2000–2020 MHz and 2180–2200 MHz bands. Operators in the 2000–2020 MHz and 2180–2200 MHz bands may not provide the mobile-satellite service under the provisions of this part; rather, mobile-satellite service shall be provided in a manner consistent with part 25 of this chapter.
- (e) 716-722~MHz~and~722-728~MHz~bands. The 716-722~and~722-728~MHz~fre-

quencies may not be used for uplink transmission and must be used only for downlink transmissions.

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§ 27.3 Other applicable rule parts.

Other FCC rule parts applicable to the Wireless Communications Service include the following:

- (a) Part 0. This part describes the Commission's organization and delegations of authority. Part 0 of this chapter also lists available Commission publications, standards and procedures for access to Commission records, and location of Commission Field Offices.
- (b) Part 1. This part includes rules of practice and procedure for license applications, adjudicatory proceedings, procedures for reconsideration and review of the Commission's actions; provisions concerning violation notices and forfeiture proceedings; competitive bidding procedures; and the environmental requirements that, together with the procedures specified in §17.4(c) of this chapter, if applicable, must be complied with prior to the initiation of construction. Subpart F includes the rules for the Wireless Telecommunications Services and the procedures for filing electronically via the ULS.
- (c) Part 2. This part contains the Table of Frequency Allocations and special requirements in international regulations, recommendations, agreements, and treaties. This part also contains standards and procedures concerning the marketing and importation of radio frequency devices, and for obtaining equipment authorization.
- (d) Part 5. This part contains rules prescribing the manner in which parts of the radio frequency spectrum may be made available for experimentation.
- (e) Part 15. This part sets forth the requirements and conditions applicable to certain radio frequency devices.
- (f) Part 17. This part contains requirements for the construction, marking and lighting of antenna towers, and the environmental notification process that must be completed before filing certain antenna structure registration applications.