

GUIDELINE ON THE PROVISION OF FM CAMPUS RADIO SERVICE (MCMC/G/07/07 – CAMPUS RADIO)

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) is the authority responsible for regulating the communications and multimedia industry in Malaysia. Amongst others, the MCMC is responsible for licensing communications activities as well as the use of spectrum, numbers and electronic addresses.
- 1.2 The MCMC is pleased to note the interest among the Universities to have their own FM radio service (Campus Radio). The low cost FM receiver, amongst others, makes it an affordable means for the University to relay information to the students and staffs of the University through FM radio network.

2. Campus Radio

- 2.1 In this document, Campus Radio is defined as a type of low power FM radio station that is owned and operated by the University. It shall provide a restricted FM radio service within the University campus areas and to University's campus community only.
- 2.2 The main purpose of the Campus Radio is to provide the opportunity for the students to gain live broadcasting training experience, promote cultural and linguistic diversity as well as facilitate discussion and expression of opinion among the students. In addition, it will also act to relay information, news and relevant University based content for the campus community.

2.3 In relation to the above, MCMC provides this regulatory framework for the Universities to own and operate their own FM radio station in the campus. This guideline serves as a guide to the Universities intending to set up transmitters to provide Campus Radio service to the University's campus community and provides information on Campus Radio licensing and installation requirements.

3. Relevant Regulatory Framework under the Communications and Multimedia Act 1998

- 3.1 The relevant legislation applicable to Campus Radio are as follows:
 - (a) Communications and Multimedia Act 1998 (CMA 1998);
 - (b) Communications and Multimedia (Licensing) Regulations 2000;
 - (c) Communications and Multimedia (Spectrum) Regulations 2000;
 - (d) Communications and Multimedia (Licensing) (Exemption) Order 2000; and
 - (e) Communications and Multimedia (Technical Standards)
 Regulations 2000

4. Licensing Requirements

- 4.1 The University (the applicant) that intends to own and operate a Campus Radio station is required to apply for an appropriate license under the CMA 1998.
- 4.2 The provision for Campus Radio is classified under limited content applications service (LCAS) and the term is defined in Section 6 of the CMA 1998 as:

"6. "limited content applications service" means a content application service the appeal of which is limited because of:-

- (a) It is being targeted to a special interest group;
- (b) It is being available in a restricted geographical areas;
- (c) It is being available for a short time; and
- (d) It is being based on content of limited appeal."
- 4.3 Therefore, the applicant who intends to own and operate Campus Radio will require:
 - (a) Content Application Service Provider (Class) (CASP(C)) licence for radio broadcast distribution;
 - (b) Network Facility Provider (Class) (NFP(C)) licence for transmitter equipment;
 - (c) Network Service Provider (Class) (NSP(C)) licence for broadcasting distribution service; and
 - (d) Apparatus Assignment for use of spectrum.
- 4.4 However, the applicant needs to only apply for the CASP(C) and not NFP(C) or NSP(C) if the transmitter and broadcasting distribution services are to be outsourced from a third party. The applicant is required to inform MCMC on the power strength transmitted and the name of the third party concerned.
- 4.5 A person who intends to operate under a class license shall register with the Commission by submitting a registration notice (form as provided in **Annexure 1**) to the MCMC. A registration fee of RM2500 is charged per application and to be submitted together with the application form. Supporting documents are also required in the registration notice for class license and details are as described in **Annexure 2**.

5. Eligibility

5.1 To be eligible for application, the following elements must be present;-

- (a) A public higher educational institution registered with the Ministry of Higher Education; and
- (b) The campus ground must consist of clusters of buildings on a piece of land.

6. Spectrum Requirements

- 6.1 The applicant will have to apply for Apparatus Assignment (AA) from MCMC for the use of spectrum (AA form as provided in **Annexure 3**). Spectrum fee is waived for Campus Radio application.
- 6.2 Applicants are required to submit topographical maps (preferably in electronic format) which clearly show the coverage boundary of proposed service area.
- 6.3 The MCMC reserves the right to decide on the suitable frequency for the applicant.
- 6.4 Issuance of an AA is subject to successful coordination among assigned stations. Further coordination with neighboring countries is required when the Campus Radio service area is within 10 km from the border line.
- 6.5 The operation of Campus Radio shall not cause interference to other services. Therefore, it can neither claim protection from being interfered by other licensed stations/services nor can it cause interference to them.

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6.6 Coverage of Campus Radio shall be limited within the University compound only. As such, AA will only be issued to the University if the FM transmitter signal strength at the University boundary does not exceed the signal strength of 48 dbµV/m (measured at 10 meters above ground level)¹. This limit applies regardless whether the University uses its own facility or outsourced it.

- 6.7 The transmitter is not limited by power or transmitter height, as long as it produces signal strength within the above limit (Note: A 30 Watt transmitter at height of 10m above ground may provide coverage from 5km to 10 km radius from its transmitting tower).
- 6.8 Transmission of the Campus Radio service shall follow transmission standard as described in the ITU-R BS.450-3 document on Transmission standard for FM sound broadcasting at VHF.
- 6.9 The University may require installing one or a network of low power transmitters in order to cover the whole University areas. Programs from studio must be fed to these transmitters through cable link. Examples are given in the diagrams 1 and 2:-

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^{1.} ITU-R BS.412-9 document on Planning Standards for terrestrial FM sound broadcasting at VHF.

Campus of University A

Compute of University

Diagram 1. Example of Campus Radio coverage with two transmitters.

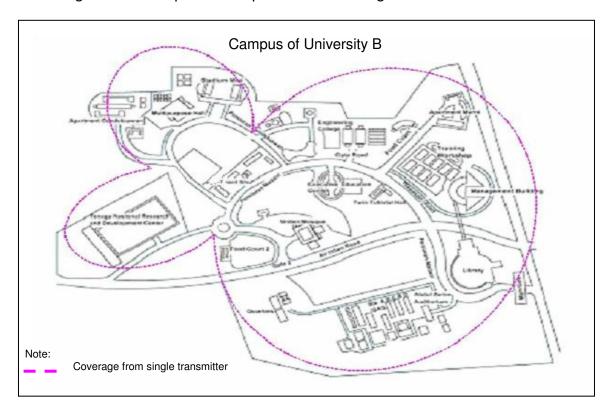


Diagram 2. Example of Campus Radio coverage with single transmitter.

7. Equipment Used for Campus Radio

7.1 All equipment used for Campus Radio are required to be certified under the Communications and Multimedia (Technical Standards) Regulations 2000, by MCMC's registered certifying agency, which is currently, SIRIM QAS International Sdn. Bhd.

7.2 The University shall ensure that the installation of the equipment is done in accordance with good engineering practice.

8. Campus Radio Station Logs and Records

- 8.1 Each Campus Radio station must maintain a station log. Each log entry must include the time and date of observation and the name of the person making the entry. The following information must be entered in the station log:-
 - (a) Brief explanation on station outage; and
 - (b) Any adjustment, repair or replacement to the transmitter system.
- 8.2 The station must also keep audio record on the program aired through the Campus Radio service for a minimum period of two (2) weeks.
- 8.3 The University shall make the Campus Radio station available for inspection by the MCMC at any time it is in operation. During the inspection, station logs and audio record shall be made available for inspection or duplication at the request of MCMC's representatives.

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9. Application

9.1 This document and application form may be revised from time to time. Applicants are advised to refer to the MCMC website prior to submitting their application to ensure that they are in possession of the current version of this guideline, application forms and other relevant documents.

- 9.2 The application form is available at MCMC Headquarters and its regional offices. Forms can also be downloaded from the MCMC website: (http://www.mcmc.gov.my/mcmc/what_we_do/spectrum/apparatus/form. app.asp)
- 9.3 All applications are to be accompanied by duly completed forms as provided in this guideline with all the relevant documents and submit to:
 - (a) Resource Assignment and Management Division for Apparatus Assignment; and
 - (b) Licensing and Enforcement Division for licenses,

Malaysian Communication and Multimedia Commission 63000 Cyberjaya Selangor Darul Ehsan

10. Effective Date and Revision

- 10.1 The guideline shall come into effect on 20 July 2007 and shall continue to be effective until modified, varied or revoked by the MCMC.
- 10.2 The guideline is intended to be used as a guide only and do not prevail over any legislative provisions contained in the law.

11. MCMC Contact

11.1 For any queries and further information, please contact:

Senior Director

Resource Assignment and Management Division

Malaysian Communication and Multimedia Commission
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Annexure 1

THIRD SCHEDULE

(Subperaturan 25 (1)/Subregulations 25 (1))

BORANG D/FORM D

AKTA KOMUNIKASI DAN MULTIMEDIA 1998/ COMMUNICATIONS AND MULTIMEDIA ACT 1998

PERATURAN-PERATURAN KOMUNIKASI DAN MULTIMEDIA (PELESENAN) 2000 / COMMUNICATIONS AND MULTIMEDIA (LICENSING) REGULATIONS 2000

NOTIS PENDAFTARAN UNTUK LESEN KELAS/ REGISTRATION NOTICE FOR CLASS LICENCE

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	(b)	lesen perkhidmatan rangkaian network service licence]]
	(c)	lesen perkhidmatan aplikasi applications service licence	[1
	(d)	lesen perkhidmatan aplikasi kandungan content applications service licence	I	1
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	[] Individu/Individual	[] Persatuan/Society
	[] Lain-lain/Others *	
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4.	Kemudahan/perkhidmatan terletak/akan diberikan di (sila berikan pengenalpastian spt. Protokol internet/alamat laman web, jika terpakai): The facilities/services are located/provided at (please provide on-line identification e.g. internet protocol/web site address, where applicable):					
	No. Telefon					
	Alamat e-mel E-mail address					
5.	Saya/Kami,, pemohon, dengan ini mengaku dan mengesahkan bahawa semua maklumat yang diberikan dalam permohonan ini dan apa-apa lampiran yang dikepilkan adalah benar dan tepat.					
	I/We,, the applicant, declare and confirm that all the information given in this application and in the attached annexes is true and accurate.					
Tarikh Date:						
Ditand	latangani oleh					
Signea	l by					
untuk	dan bagi pihak					
for and	d on behalf of					
NOTA: NOTE:						

Jika ruang yang disediakan tidak mencukupi untuk memberikan butir-butir, sila kepilkan lampiran. Setiap lampiran mestilah ditandatangan ringkas oleh orang yang menandatangani permohonan ini. If the space is insufficient to provide particulars, please attach annexes. Any annex should be initialled by the signatory to this application.

Annexure 2

REGISTRATION NOTICE FOR CLASS LICENCE

То:		The Head of Licensing Department Regulatory Division Communications and Multimedia Commission					
From:	-						
Name :							
Positio (Note:		e Director/CEO/Senior Management level)					
Compa	any:						
docum	entatio	submit Registration Notice for Class Licence and confirm that the n is submitted together with the duly completed form:- in the boxes provided).	ne following				
1)	Two (2	2) sets of the Registration Notice					
2)	Certified copies* of relevant documents in support of the legal status of applicant (company/partnership/individual/society/others)						
3)	A crossed cheque for the amount of RM2,500.00, made payable to Suruhanjaya Komunikasi dan Multimedia Malaysia.						
4)	Organisation profile (for companies/partnership/society) inclusive of current number of staff and new job opportunities to be created						
5)	A prop (a) (b)	lntroduction – brief description of network/service/facility to be offered and other related information. Operating procedures including a network topology, details of equipment to be used, connectivity to be obtained. Other related information.					
6)	Each	page of annexure should be initialled by the above signatory. \Box					
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Annexure 3



Suruhanjaya Komunikasi dan Multimedia Malaysia Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission

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APPLICATION FOR APPARATUS ASSIGNMENT (S)

(BROADCASTING SERVICE)								
☐ New apparatus		☐ Type of apparatus (Please refer to instructions): Application Fee						
	Client ID no.:	Assignmer no.(s):				Callsign:	\neg	RM60 per application
To be used when a	applying fo	or all broadc	asting serv	ice appa	ıratus assignme	ent (s)		
1. CLIENT INFORMATION	ON							
Organis ation name:								
Applicant name:								
Business / Residential address:								
Town / State:						Postal code:		
Billing address:								
(if different from above)						Postal code:	\perp	
Telephone (office/home):			Fax:			E-mail:		
Contact person:						Company / Business reg. no.:		
Nature of business:						NRIC no.:		
2. APPLICATION INFO	2. APPLICATION INFORMATION							
Proposed use of system / System description:								
3. GEOGRAPHIC AREA INFORMATION								
Location name:								
Site address:								
Town / State:					Postal code:			
Apparatus name:								
Latitude (°N):			° '	"	Longitude (°	E):		- ° ' "
Ground elevation: (metres above mean sea level)								
Structure height (m):								
Building height (m):								
Transportable:	Yes No Radius of operation (km):							
4. FREQUENCY INFOR	MATION	l						
Desired transmit frequency (De	esired receive f	requency (MHz):			
Bandwidth (MHz): Emission:								
5. COVERAGE INFORM								
Center of coverage area:	Latitude	e (°N):		_ ° '	"	Longitude (°E):		° '"
Radius (km):								
Note: Please attach coverage a	rea map.							

Broadcasting Service Form 1/3

Manufacturer and model: Antenna gain (dB): Azimuth of main beam (0°-omni Elevation angle (°): Antenna displacement (m):						
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Elevation angle (°):		Polarization (vert	tical, horizontal etc)	:		
• .,	, 360°-directiona	al north):				
Antenna displacement (m):	Height above ground (m):					
For antenna farm only		Latitude (°N):	· ,	" Lo	ngitude (°E):	o , "
7. APPARATUS INFORM	ATION			_		
Manufacturer (Transmitter):		Model (Tra	ansmitter) / Seria	no.:		
Manufacturer (Receiver):		Model (Re	ceiver) / Serial n	D.:		
Transmitter power (watts):		Type appr	oval no.:			
Transmission line length (m)		Line type ((RG8, RG213 etc	:):		
8. FILTER INFORMATION	V					
Manufacturer/Model:						
Insertion loss (dB):		Tuned free	quency (MHz):			
Manufacturer/Model:						
Insertion loss (dB):		Tuned free	quency (MHz):			
Note: If necessary, please attach 7	Technical Specific	cations & Brochure for items 6	(antenna pattern),	7 and 8 t	ogether with the	form.
10. PLEASE STATE THE	REQUIRED	VALIDITY DATE AND F	PERIOD.			
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Period (from 3 months to 5 year	ırs):					
11. I CERTIFY THAT THE STATEMENTS MADE IN THIS APPLICATION ARE COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THE APPARATUS IS TYPE APPROVED FOR USE IN MALAYSIA AND IT WILL BE USED ONLY FOR THE PURPOSES AUTHORIZED BY THE MINISTER OF ENERGY, COMMUNICATIONS AND MULTIMEDIA.						
Signature:			Date:			
Name of signatory:			I.C. no.:			
Business / Company chop:						

Broadcasting Service Forn 2/3

FOR CMC USE ONLY

	Fee paid:	
	Cheque or Bank in slip no.:	
	Receipt no. / date:	
ı	Spectrum Plan checked:	