

TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS
TELECOMMUNICATIONS (FEE STRUCTURE)
REGULATIONS 2020

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MADE by the Governor under section 65 of the Telecommunications Ordinance.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Telecommunications (Fee Structure) Regulations 2020 and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1st December 2019.

Interpretation

2. (1) In these Regulations—

“fixed public telecommunications network or service” means a network or service that provides users the ability to transmit signals over a distance for the purpose of communications where the end points are fixed;

“full telecommunication network or service” means a network or service that provides users the ability to use all the telecommunication services defined as “telecommunications service” in section 2 of the Ordinance;

“gross revenue” means revenue of reporting year received by, or due to the licensee and its affiliates, from whatever source derived before any deductions for expenses, discounts, returns or offsets of any kind;

“internet networks or service” means a network or service that provides users the ability to access the internet;

“mobile virtual network operator (MVNO)” means a wireless telecommunications network or service provider that does not own the network infrastructure over which the services are provided;

“private telecommunications network or service” means a network or service for the provision of telecommunications by a person for the exclusive use of that person and not for resale, directly or indirectly;

- “public mobile telecommunications network or service” means a network or service that provides users the ability to communicate with a mobile device;
- “public radio paging network or service” means a network or service that provide users with the ability to send messages to the subscriber over a paging service;
- “quadruple play providers” means the grouping together of four of the telecommunications network and services licences, except a full telecommunication network or service licence, in Schedule 1;
- “regulatory fee” means the regulatory fee referred to in section 47 of the Ordinance;
- “studio to transmitter link (STL)” means a radiocommunications link used for the transmission of broadcast material from a studio to a transmitter;
- “special licence” means a licence for the use of spectrum issued to a person who wishes to carry out an experiment in relation to radiocommunications or to cover an emergency or special event;
- “submarine cable” means a cable laid beneath the sea to carry telecommunications;
- “subscriber television” means a business or organisation that uses a telecommunication system for broadcasting and receiving moving pictures and sound over a distance;
- “triple play provider” means the grouping together of three of the telecommunications network and services licences, except a full telecommunication network or service licence, in Schedule 1;
- “value added service” means a service added by a person on the network of a telecommunications network or service licensee to provide additional services with separate equipment.

(2) Unless otherwise specified, terms used in these Regulations shall have the meanings assigned to them under the Ordinance.

Application for telecommunications network or service licence

3. A person applying for a telecommunications network or service licence shall pay the appropriate fees specified in Schedule 1, as follows—

- (a) on filing of the application, the non-refundable application fee;
- (b) on grant of the licence, the initial licence fee;
- (c) after the first calendar year, the renewal of licence fee, annually;
- (d) the regulatory fee, annually.

Application for spectrum licence

4. A person applying for a spectrum licence shall pay the appropriate fee specified in Schedule 2, as follows—

- (a) on the filing of the application, the non- refundable application fee;
- (b) on grant of the licence, the initial fee;
- (c) after the first calendar year, the renewal of licence fee, annually.

Application for special licence

5. A person applying for a special licence shall pay the appropriate fee specified in Schedule 3, as follows—

- (a) on the filing of the application, the non- refundable application fee;
- (b) on grant of the licence, the initial licence fee.

Miscellaneous fees

6. Any fees not covered under regulation 3, 4, or 5 which may be applicable to a licence shall be paid annually by the licensee in accordance with the fees listed in Schedule 4.

Time for payments of fees

7. (1) Any initial fee payable pursuant to these Regulations shall be paid within two weeks of the licensee being informed in writing of the grant of licence.

(2) The renewal of licence fee shall be payable in each year following the grant of the licence.

Revocation

8. The Telecommunications (Fee Structure) Regulations 2016 (*Legal Notice 61 of 2016*) are hereby revoked.

SCHEDULE 1

TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK OR SERVICE

(Regulation 3)

Licence Code	Description	Application Fee	Initial Fee (On Grant of Licence)	Renewal of Licence Fee	Regulatory Fee (annually)
FTNS	Full Telecommunication Network / Service	\$25,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00 or 7% of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$75,000.00 or 1.8% of gross revenue whichever is greater
FPTNS	Fixed Public Telecommunication Network or Service	\$2,500.00	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00 or 7 % of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$75,000 or 1.8% of gross revenue whichever is greater
INS-1	Internet Networks/Service	\$2,500.00	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00 or 7% of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$25,000 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater
INS-2	Internet Network/Services (>50<500 subscribers)	\$1,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00 or 7 % of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$5,000.00 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater
INS-3	Internet Network/Services (15<=50 subscribers)	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00 or 7 % of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$1,000.00 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater

MVNO	Mobile Virtual Network Operator	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00 or 7 % of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$2,000.00 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater
PMTNS	Public Mobile Telecommunication Network/Service	\$5,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.0 or 7% of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$75,000.00 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater
PRPNS	Public Radio Paging Network/Service	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00 or 7% of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$2,000.00 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater
SC-I	Submarine Cable (international)	\$2,500.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00 or 7% of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$75,000 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater
SC-D	Submarine Cable (domestic)	\$1,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00 or 7 % of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$5,000.00 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater
TPL-3	Triple Play Providers	\$15,000.00	\$300,000.00	\$300,000.00 or 7% of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$75,000.00 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater
QUAD-4	Quadruple Play Providers	\$20,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00 or 7% of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$75,000.00 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater

VAS	Value Added Services	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00 or 7 % of gross revenue whichever is greater	\$1,000.00 or 1.8 % of gross revenue whichever is greater
AMR	Automated Meter Reading	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
PNS	Private Network or Service	\$1,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
MM	Maritime mobile Licence (per transceiver)				N/A
MMB	Based Station (fixed)	\$50.00/unit	\$50.00/unit	\$50.00/unit	
MMM	Mobile Station (mobile)	\$50.00/unit	\$50.00/unit	\$50.00/unit	
MMR	Repeater	\$50.00/unit	\$150.00/unit	\$150.00/unit	
MMP	Portable/Handheld	\$50.00/unit	\$15.00/unit	\$15.00/unit	
MMFY	Maritime Mobile Radio (Ferry Boats/Charter)	\$50.00/unit	\$50.00/unit	\$50.00/unit	
MMFH	Maritime Mobile Radio (Fishing Boats)	\$50.00/unit	\$30.00/unit	\$30.00/unit	
MMS	Ship/Cargo Station Licence				N/A
“	less than 1600 tons	\$150.00/ship	\$150.00/ship	\$150.00/ship	
“	exceeding 1600 tons	\$300.00/ship	\$300.00/ship	\$300.00/ship	
LM	Land mobile Licence				\$1,000.00
LMB	Base Station	\$500.00	\$100.00/unit	\$100.00/unit	
LMR	Repeater	\$500.00	\$150.00/unit	\$150.00/unit	

LMM	Mobile	\$500.00	\$30.00/unit	\$30.00/unit	
LMP	Portable/handheld	\$500.00	\$15.00/unit	\$15.00/unit	
AMA	Aircraft Radio (each aircraft)				N/A
AMA-TC1	Maximum take-off weight (>20,000LBS < 60,000LBS)	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0
AMA-TC2	Maximum take-off weight (>12,500LBS < 20,000LBS)	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0
AMA-TC3	Maximum take-off weight (>6,000LBS<12,500LBS)	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0
AMA-TC4	Maximum take-off weight (<6,000LBS)	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$50.00	\$0
AMA-TC5	Transportable Radio Licence	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$0
AM	Aeronautical mobile Radio				\$1,000.00
AMR	Repeater	\$500.00	\$150.00/unit	\$150.00/unit	
AMB	Based/fixed	\$500.00	\$100.00/unit	\$100.00/unit	ABM
AMM	Mobile	\$500.00	\$30.00/unit	\$30.00/unit	
AMP	Portable/handheld	\$500.00	\$15.00/unit	\$15.00/unit	
AR	Amateur Radio Licence				N/A
ARN	Novice class	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$0
ARG	General class	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$0
ARA	Advanced class	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$0
ARF	Temporary Call-Sign	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$15.00	\$0
CBR	Citizen Band Radio	\$25.00			\$0

Note: AMA = Aircraft Station, TC = Tier Code

SCHEDULE 2

SPECTRUM LICENCE

(Regulation 4)

Licence Code	Description	Application Fee	Initial Fee (On grant of licence)	Spectrum Fee
VST	Very Small Aperture Terminal (channel)	\$1,000.00		
VST1	Dish ≤ 3.0 meter with one 64kbs CH		\$500.00	\$500.00/channel
CMBL	Cellular Microwave Backhaul links	\$1,000.00		
	≤ 28 MHz Bandwidth		\$5,000.00/frequency	\$5,000.00/frequency
	> 28 ≤ 56MHz Bandwidth		\$8,500.00/frequency	\$8,500.00/frequency
	>56MHz Bandwidth		\$15,000.00/frequency	\$15,000.00/frequency
BWA	Broadband Wireless Access	\$1,000.00		
	≤ 5 MHz Bandwidth		\$5,000.00/paired	\$5,000.00/paired
	>5 ≤ 15 MHz Bandwidth		\$10,000.00/paired	\$10,000.00/paired
	> 15 ≤ 30 MHz Bandwidth		\$30,000.00/paired	\$30,000.00/paired
	>30 MHz Bandwidth		\$50,000.00/paired	\$50,000.00/paired

FWA	Fixed Wireless Access (Point to point)	\$1,000.00		
	≤ 5 MHz Bandwidth		\$500.00/frequency	\$500.00/frequency
	>5 ≤ 15MHz Bandwidth		\$800.00/frequency	\$800.00/frequency
	>15 ≤ 30 MHz Bandwidth		\$1,500.00/frequency	\$1,500.00/frequency
	>30 MHz Bandwidth		\$2,000.00/frequency	\$2,000.00/frequency
FWA	Fixed Wireless Access (Multi point to point)	\$1,000.00		
	≤ 5 MHz Bandwidth		\$600.00/frequency	\$600.00/frequency
	>5 ≤ 15MHz Bandwidth		\$1,500.00/frequency	\$1,500.00/frequency
	>15 ≤ 30 Mhz Bandwidth		\$2,000.00/frequency	\$2,000.00/frequency
	>30 MHz Bandwidth		\$2,500.00/frequency	\$2,500.00/frequency
PRP	Public Radio Paging			
PRC	Commercial (25 KHz bandwidth)	\$1,000.00	\$500.00/frequency	\$500.00/frequency
PRN	Non-Commercial (25KHz bandwidth)		\$150.00/frequency	\$150.00/frequency
PMTF	Public Mobile Telecommunications Frequency			
	800 MHz	\$1,000.00	\$30,000.00/10MHz (paired)	\$30,000.00/10MHz (paired)
	900 MHz	\$1,000.00	\$30,000.00/10MHz (paired)	\$30,000.00/10MHz (paired)

	1800 MHz	\$1,000.00	\$40,000.00/10MHz (paired)	\$40,000.00/10MHz (paired)
	1900 MHz	\$1,000.00	\$78,000.00/5MHz (paired)	\$78,000.00/5MHz (paired)
	700 MHz Prime	\$1,000.00	\$60,000.00/22MHz (paired)	\$60,000.00/22MHz (paired)
	1710-1755 MHz / 2110-2155 MHz (AWS-1)	\$1,000.00	\$5,000/5MHz (paired)	\$5,000/5MHz (paired)
	2.5 GHz (2500 MHz- 2690 MHz)			
	2500-2570MHz / 2620-2690MHz	\$1,000.00	\$30,000.00/20MHz (paired)	\$30,000.00/20MHz (paired)
	2575 MHz -2620 MHz	\$1,000.00	\$30,000.00/20MHz (unpaired)	\$30,000.00/20MHz (unpaired)
SES	Satellite Earth Station			
	SES (> 3 meters with multiple channels)	\$1,000.00	\$4,500.00/Dish	\$4,500.00/Dish
LM	Land Mobile			
LMF	Land Mobile radio (12.5 KHz bandwidth)	\$200.00	\$200.00/frequency	\$200.00/frequency

MM	Maritime Mobile			
MMF	Maritime Mobile Radio (12.5KHz bandwidth)	\$200.00	\$200.00/frequency	\$200.00/frequency
MMSR	International/Nation Search and Rescue	Free	Free	Free
MMFH	Maritime Mobile Radio (fishing Boats)	\$50.00/unit		
AM	Aeronautical Radio Frequency			
AMF	Aeronautical Mobile Radio (12.5KHz bandwidth)	\$200.00	\$200.00/frequency	\$200.00/frequency
BS	Broadcasting Station			
BAM	Broadcast AM Radio station	\$500.00	\$3,000.00/frequency	\$3,000.00/frequency
PBFM	Prime Broadcasting FM (88 MHz - 95MHz)			
PBFM-1	Broadcast FM Radio station (≤ 100 Watts)	\$500.00	\$1,000.00/frequency	\$1,000.00/frequency
PBFM-2	Broadcast FM Radio station ($\geq 250 \leq 500$ Watts)	\$500.00	\$1,500.00/frequency	\$1,500.00/frequency
PBFM-3	Broadcast FM Radio station ($\geq 500W \leq 1K$ Watts)	\$500.00	\$2,500.00/frequency	\$2,500.00/frequency

BFM-1	Broadcast FM Radio station (≤ 100 Watts)	\$500.00	\$500.00/frequency	\$500.00/frequency
BFM-2	Broadcast FM Radio station ($\geq 250 \leq 500$ Watts)	\$500.00	\$1,000.00/frequency	\$1,000.00/frequency
BFM-3	Broadcast FM Radio station ($\geq 500W \leq 1KW$ Watts)	\$500.00	\$2,000.00/frequency	\$2,000.00/frequency
BTV	Broadcast Television (6 MHz link)	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00/frequency	\$2,000.00/frequency
STL-1	Television STL Microwave (6 MHz link)	\$500.00	\$1,000.00/link	\$1,000.00/link
STL-2	Radio STL Microwave	\$500.00		
	$\leq (25$ KHz link)		\$200.00/link	\$200.00/link
	$> (25$ KHz link)		\$500.00/link	\$500.00/link

SCHEDULE 3
SPECIAL LICENCE

(Regulation 5)

Licence Code	Description	Application Fee	Initial Fee (On Grant of Licence)
SL	Special Licence		
SLE	Emergencies	Free	
SHT	Short term (≤ 30 days)	\$500.00	\$2,000.00
SHT1	Short term ($>30 \leq 90$ days)	\$500.00	\$5,000.00

SCHEDULE 4

MISCELLANEOUS

(Regulation 6)

Licence Code	Description	Licence Fees	
		Application Fee	Initial Fee
CPE	Customer Premises Equipment Dealers Registration Fee	\$100.00	\$250.00
	Customer Premises Equipment Wiring Registration fee	\$100.00	\$100.00
ROL	Radio Operators Licence	\$100.00	\$100.00
TAC	Type Approval Certification	\$500.00	\$500.00
EXM	Examination Fees For Radio Operators	\$30.00	N/A

Note: Radio Operators Licence, to include Aircraft and Ship Station Operators Licence

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