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Communications Regulation

Application form for a Further Temporary Electronic Communications Service Licence (No.2)

Application Form

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1 Notes for Applicants

1. The granting by the Commission for Communications Regulation (“ComReg”) of a Further Temporary Electronic Communications Service (“ECS”) Licence (No.2) (“Licence”) is governed by the Wireless Telegraphy (Further Temporary Electronic Communications Services Licences) (No.2) Regulations 2021, S.I. No. [_____] of 2021 (the “Regulations”).¹ In particular, the Regulations detail the form and duration of, and the restrictions and conditions subject to which, Licences are granted by ComReg.
2. Persons applying for a Licence (“Applicants”) are also referred to ComReg Document 21/24 (the “Response to Consultation and Decision on a second further temporary licensing framework for spectrum rights in the 700 MHz, 2.1 GHz and 2.6 GHz Bands”) for background on the licensing framework for new rights of use under the Regulations.
3. In line with Regulation 4 of the Regulations, this application form (“Application Form”) sets out the information required from Applicants in an application for a Licence (“Application”).
4. As the Regulations have yet to be made by ComReg with the consent of the Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications² in accordance with section 37 of the Communications Regulation Act 2002 (No. 20 of 2002), ComReg’s ability to grant any Licence is subject to same.
5. A Licence allows the Licensee to keep and have possession of, install, maintain, work and use Apparatus for terrestrial systems capable of providing electronic communications services in the 700 MHz Duplex, 2.1 GHz and/or 2.6 GHz Bands in the part(s) of those bands to which the Licence relates for the duration of the Licence.

¹ As currently set out in draft form in Annex 3 to ComReg Document 21/24.

² The Department’s name having been amended by the Communications, Climate Action and Environment (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order 2020 (S.I. No. 373 of 2020).

6. A Licence is a “non-exclusive” licence and all Apparatus licensed under a Licence are required to comply with, among other things, the conditions of the Licence and the relevant European Commission Decisions for the 700 MHz Duplex, 2.1 GHz and 2.6 GHz Bands, being Decision (EU) 2016/687³, Decision 2012/688/EC⁴ and Decision 2008/477/EC⁵ respectively.
7. In order for an Application to be valid, the Applicant must properly and satisfactorily complete and submit all sections of the Application Form. In that regard, the Applicant **MUST**:
- Provide full Applicant Details as per Part 1;
 - Provide, in a separate document attached to the completed Application Form, details in relation to the factors identified in Regulation 4(2) of the Regulations, using the headings as set out in Part 2 below;
 - Provide details of the Apparatus which the Applicant seeks to be authorised to keep and have possession of, in Microsoft Excel format, using the headings set out in Part 3;
 - Provide a list of the locations at which the Applicant seeks and is sufficiently ready to be authorised to keep and have possession of the Apparatus, in Microsoft Excel in the format as detailed in Part 4 below;
 - Make payment of the relevant Licence fee in accordance with Regulation 8 of the Regulations and to the bank account identified in Part 5 below; and
 - Sign the Application Declaration Form (Part 6).
8. Completed Application Forms and accompanying documents (including Excel files and a separate document as required under Part 2 below) must be submitted to licensing@comreg.ie and the payment of the relevant Licence fee to ComReg’s bank account identified in Part 5 below.

³ Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2016/687 of 28 April 2016 on the harmonisation of the 694-790 MHz frequency band for terrestrial systems capable of providing wireless broadband electronic communications services and for flexible national use in the Union.

(<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32016D0687&from=EN>)

⁴ Commission Implementing Decision (2012/688/EU) of 5 November 2012 on the harmonisation of the frequency bands 1 920-1 980 MHz and 2 110-2 170 MHz for terrestrial systems capable of providing electronic communications services in the Union, as amended by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/667 of 6 May 2020.

(<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02012D0688-20200519&from=EN>)

⁵ Commission Decision (2008/477/EC) of 13 June 2008 on the harmonisation of the 2500 - 2690 MHz frequency band for terrestrial systems capable of providing electronic communications services in the Community, as amended by Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2020/636 of 8 May 2020.

(<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:02008D0477-20200512&from=EN>)

2 Application Form

Part 1: Applicant Details

Full Name of the company, firm or person in whose name the Licence is sought	
Trading name (If different from above)	
Company Registration Number (If a limited company)	
Registered business address	
Contact name	
Contact phone number	
Contact e-mail for general matters relating to the Licence Contact e-mail to which the Licence can be sent (if different from above)	

Part 2: Information in relation to the matters identified in Regulation 4(2) of the Regulations

To the extent not already provided by the Applicant in its February 2021 response to ComReg Document 21/05, please provide details in relation to the following matters identified in Regulation 4(2) of the Regulations, in a separate document, under the following headings:

1. **Network traffic / capacity / performance information:** available information regarding the traffic (voice and data), capacity / performance of the network considering the extraordinary situation arising from COVID19. In particular, the changes in network traffic capacity / performance since the emergence of the extraordinary situation relating to COVID-19. Also the licensee's observations on how much of the change is due to forecasted annual changes in capacity/demand on a network compared with how much is due to COVID-19.
2. **Sites and transmitters:** (i) The number, locations and deployment dates of sites/transmitters per spectrum band that have actually been used to date using temporary ECS rights of use, indicating the terrestrial system(s) (e.g. LTE) supported. Note that this can be provided separately in an Microsoft Excel sheet, alongside the requirements under Part 3 and Part 4 of the Application Form. (ii) The number of sites/transmitters per band that would be expected to be used over the duration of the licence indicating the terrestrial system(s) (e.g. LTE) being supported.
3. **How temporary rights have assisted with the provision of ECS in the state:** available information regarding how the rights of use of radio frequencies obtained by the Licensee previously has assisted in alleviating the network capacity / performance constraints and information on how it may materially assist in the coming 3-month period. Please provide available information highlighting trends where the network capacity / network performance improvements are correlated to use of temporary ECS rights of use. For example when temporary ECS rights of use were brought into use (see 2 above) the network / capacity improvements observed at these times.
4. **Risks to the provision and quality of existing ECS:** available information regarding the management of the risks and the measures taken to date by the Licensee in relation to the provision and quality of existing ECS. For example, the key measures taken on foot of Annex 4 of Document 20/27 - 700 MHz Coordination procedures.

ComReg reserves the right to seek clarifications and/or further information from the Applicant and to specify the timeframe within which such clarifications and/or further information must be provided and ComReg would highlight Regulation 4(3) of the Regulations in this regard.

Part 3: Schedule of Apparatus

Please provide details of the Apparatus which the Applicant seeks to be authorised to keep and have possession of, in Microsoft Excel format, under the following headings:

Band	Equipment Index Reference	Terrestrial System	Equipment Description	Manufacturer	Model
<i>[700 MHz Duplex, 2.1 GHz, 2.6 GHz, as appropriate]</i>					

Part 4: Apparatus Location and Details

Please provide details of the locations of the Apparatus which the Applicant seeks to be authorised to keep and have possession of, in Microsoft Excel format, under the following headings:

Band	Site Identity	Easting	Northings	Equipment Index Reference	Maximum EIRP
<i>[700 MHz Duplex, 2.1 GHz, 2.6 GHz, as appropriate]</i>					

Part 5: Payment of Licence fee

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the Regulations, the fee for a Licence is €100 and is non-refundable.

Please provide separate payment of the Licence fee to ComReg's nominated bank account, citing clearly in the narrative the name of the Applicant.

Transfers to ComReg's account should be made to:

Bank:	Bank of Ireland, 2 College Green, Dublin 2, Ireland.
Account Number:	96614639
Sort Code:	90-00-17
BIC Code:	BOFIIE2D
IBAN No:	IE96 BOFI 9000 1796 6146 39

Part 6: Application Declaration Form

Declaration by Applicant

I hereby certify that the information provided in this Application is, to the best of my knowledge, true and complete and I accept that the provision of incorrect or misleading information, or mis-declarations in this form, may render this Application, and any Licence granted on foot of this Application, null and void.

In accordance with the Wireless Telegraphy Act of 1926, as amended, I accept responsibility for the installation and maintenance of the Apparatus.

I accept that the grant of a Licence does not confer any right of ownership of the frequency spectrum to which the Licence relates, and agree to abide by all conditions of the Licence and any direction made by the Commission for Communications Regulation (ComReg) from time to time.

I confirm that the Applicant is fully aware that the Licences are being made available solely to accommodate the claimed unanticipated spike in demand arising from the extraordinary situation relating to COVID-19, that all Licences granted or renewed under the Regulations will expire 3 months after commencement or on 1 October 2021 (whichever is the earliest) and that the longer term questions of assignment of spectrum rights of use in the 700MHz Duplex and 2.6 GHz Band, liberalisation of rights of use in the 2.1 GHz Band and assignment of new rights of use in that band will be determined through such an award process as ComReg shall determine to be appropriate. I further confirm that the Applicant identified herein will take full account of this in making any investment or marketing decisions and will not seek to argue that any such decisions made as a result of the grant of a Licence give it any expectation of favourable treatment with regards to access to liberalised rights of use in those bands.

I accept that ComReg may publish and/or make available information relating to Licences and certain information relating to this Application may be contained in such publications.

I confirm that no change will be made in any of the foregoing without the prior approval of ComReg.

I certify that I am duly authorised by

 (Applicant name)
 to make

this declaration and to sign on behalf of

 (Applicant name)

Signature: _____

Name in Capital Letters Only: _____

Position: _____

Date: _____