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# Register of Users on the Managed Digital Radio Services Network

## Information Notice

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# 1 Introduction

- 1.1 On 29 November 2024, ComReg published consultation document 24/94<sup>1</sup> (the “Consultation”) which set out that TETRA Ireland Communications Limited (“TETRA”) had sought to add a further 39 organisations<sup>2</sup> to the current list<sup>3</sup> of organisations permitted to use the Managed Digital Radio Services (“MDRS”) network (“Register of Users”).<sup>4</sup>
- 1.2 In its Consultation, ComReg noted that the Office of the Government Chief Information Officer<sup>5</sup> (“OGCIO”) confirmed to ComReg that it is of the view that the proposed 39 organisations meet the requirements under Regulation 11(o) of the S.I. No. 324/2008 - Wireless Telegraphy (Use of the Band 380-400 MHz By Emergency Services) Regulations, 2008 (the “Regulations”). Also, each application was signed by the relevant person within the OGCIO.<sup>6</sup>
- 1.3 ComReg requested interested parties to submit any views they may have regarding TETRA’s proposal by 16:00 on 30 December 2024.
- 1.4 As no responses were received and noting that the OGCIO has confirmed that the 39 organisations should be added to the MDRS network, ComReg has now added the 39 organisations in question to the Register of Users. There is now a total of 57 organisations on the Register of Users of the MDRS, see Table 1 below.
- 1.5 Additionally, the OGCIO noted to ComReg that the Regulations have been in place without modification since 2008. ComReg and the OGCIO are of the view that it would be of benefit to review the Regulations to consider what, if any, amendments might be required to take account of the evolution in the use of the MDRS network since the making of the Regulations in 2008. ComReg would, in turn, consult on any such proposed amendments.

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<sup>1</sup> ComReg Document 24/94 – Proposed revision of the Register of Users on the Managed Digital Radio Services Network – published 29 November 2024.

<sup>2</sup> See Table 2 of ComReg document 24/94.

<sup>3</sup> ComReg Document 08/68R3 – Register of Users on the Managed Digital Radio Services Network – published 10 March 2015. [https://www.comreg.ie/media/dlm\\_uploads/2015/12/ComReg0868R3.pdf](https://www.comreg.ie/media/dlm_uploads/2015/12/ComReg0868R3.pdf)

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.comreg.ie/industry/radio-spectrum/licensing/search-licence-type/emergency-service-digital-radio/>

<sup>5</sup> <https://www.gov.ie/en/organisation-information/6ee40f-office-of-the-government-chief-information-officer-ogcio/>

<sup>6</sup> The OGCIO manages the provision of Public Protection and Disaster Relief (“PPDR”) Services in Ireland. TETRA Ireland Communications Ltd. is currently contracted by the OGCIO to provide the MDRS network to support Ireland’s PPDR services.

**Table 1: Current list of users of the MDRS network**

Type of service	Sponsoring Authority/Department/ Organisation	Agency/Division/ Organisation
Emergency services	An Garda Síochána	
Emergency services	Irish Fire Service	
Emergency services	Ambulance Services	National Ambulance Service (HSE)
Security of State services	Garda Síochána Ombudsman Commission	
Security of State services	Office of the Revenue Commissioners	Customs & Excise
Security of State services	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine	Sea-Fisheries Protection Authority
Security of State services	Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications	Inland Fisheries
Security of State services	The Defence Forces	Irish Naval Service
		Irish Army
Security of State services	Department of Justice	Irish Prison Service
Security of State services	Department of Foreign Affairs	Protocol Division
Network Management	Department of Finance	CMOD
Network Management	Tetra Ireland	Managed Digital Radio Services network
Emergency Services	Department of Defence	Civil Defence
Emergency services	Department of Transport	Irish Coast Guard
Emergency services	Mountain Rescue	
Emergency services	Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications	ESB Networks
Emergency services	Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications	Bord Gáis
Security of State Services	Office of Public Works	OPW

Type of service	Sponsoring Authority/Department/ Organisation	Agency/Division/ Organisation
Security of State Services	Galway County Council	Galway County Council
Emergency response	The National Mobilisation and Communications System <sup>7</sup>	Kerry Airport
Emergency response	Clare County Council	Shannon Estuary Anti-Pollution Team
Network Management	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Irish Water
Emergency response	National Ambulance Service	Order of Malta
Emergency response	National Ambulance Service	Irish Community Rapid Response
Emergency response	National Ambulance Service	St. John's Ambulance Ireland
Network Management	Irish Rail	Irish Rail
Emergency response	The National Mobilisation and Communications System	Cork Airport
Emergency response	The National Mobilisation and Communications System	Waterford Airport
Emergency response	The National Mobilisation and Communications System	National Parks and Wildlife Service
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Carlow County Council
Security	An Garda Síochána	Houses of the Oireachtas Service
Emergency response	The National Mobilisation and Communications System	Connemara Airport
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Cork City Council
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Cork County Council
Emergency response	Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications	Commission for Regulation of Utilities
Emergency response	Dublin Airport Police	Dublin Airport Authority
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Donegal County Council
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Dublin City Council

<sup>7</sup> The National Mobilisation and Communications System is the new National body responsible for the National Fire Service.

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Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Fingal County Council
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Galway City Council
Personnel security	Health Products Regulatory Authority	Health Products Regulatory Authority
Emergency response	Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine	Irish Forestry Unit Trust
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Kerry County Council
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Kildare County Council
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Kilkenny County Council
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Leitrim Major Emergency Management
Personnel security	Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications	Foyle Carlingford And Irish Lights Commission (Loughs Agency)
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Major Emergency Management East
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Major Emergency Management Midlands
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Major Emergency Management South
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Major Emergency Management West
Network Management	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Met Eireann
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	South Dublin County Council
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Tipperary County Council
Emergency response	Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage	Waterford County Council
Emergency response	Cork County Council	Limerick City & County Council
Emergency response	Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine	Coillte Teoranta