



13 GHz and 15 GHz Frequency Bands within Dublin.

Suspension of the acceptance of new Fixed Link Applications in certain areas.

Radio Link Licensing

Information Notice

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1 Discussion

1. Due to the exhaustion of all available channels within certain areas of Greater Dublin outlined below, it is not possible at this time to make any further fixed link channel assignments in the 13 GHz and 15 GHz frequency bands. For this reason, ComReg is suspending the acceptance of new Fixed Link Applications in the 13 GHz and 15 GHz Frequency Bands within this limited area with immediate effect. It should be noted that amendments to existing 13 GHz and 15 GHz links within this area will not be affected.
2. ComReg will keep the matter of availability of channels in this limited geographic area under review and will advise of any future availability in the 13 GHz and 15 GHz Frequency Bands if or when it arises.
3. The geographic area applies to Grid 3122 and 3123 (See Figure 1 below). Therefore, if either ends of an application for a 13 GHz or 15 GHz link falls within the range E310000 to E320000 and N220000 to N240000 it will not be possible for ComReg to process such an application at this time¹.
4. Operators are advised to seek alternative frequency bands for radio link applications within this area and ComReg's licensing team is happy to assist where possible in this regard.

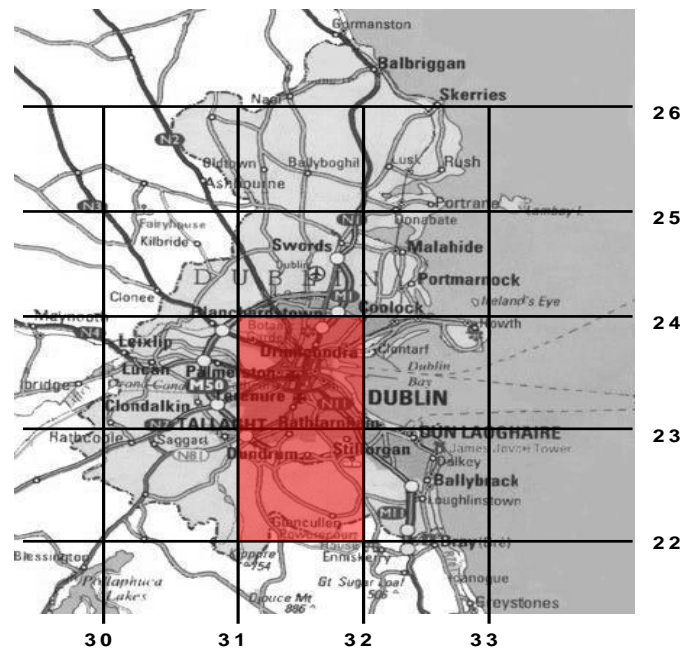


Figure 1: Location of the “Refusal” area for 13 GHz and 15 GHz bands

¹ This area coincides with the Congestion Area that applies in respect of some other frequency bands. Currently, a fixed congestion charge is applied for links in the 18 GHz and 23 GHz frequency bands within this area. Please see ComReg Document 09/89R1 - Guidelines to Applicants for Radio Links Licences - published 11 October 2013 for further information.