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- (2) The character structure must consist of 8 bits (seven bits plus one character parity bit) having equal time intervals.
 - (3) "Odd" parity is required.

MOBILE-SATELLITE STATIONS

§80.1185 Supplemental eligibility for mobile-satellite stations.

Stations in the maritime mobile-satellite service must meet the eligibility requirements contained in this section.

- (a) A station license for a ship earth station may be issued to:
 - (1) The owner or operator of a ship.
- (2) A corporation proposing to furnish a nonprofit radio communication service to its parent corporation, to another subsidiary of the same parent, or to its own subsidiary, where the party to be served is the owner or operator of the ship aboard which the ship earth station is to be installed and operated.
- (b) A station license for a portable ship earth station may be issued to the owner or operator of portable earth station equipment proposing to furnish satellite communication services on board more than one ship or fixed offshore platform located in the marine environment.

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§ 80.1187 Scope of communication.

Ship earth stations must be used for telecommunications related to the business or operation of ships and for public correspondence of persons on board. Portable ship earth stations are authorized to meet the business, operational and public correspondence telecommunication needs of fixed offshore platforms located in the marine environment as well as ships. The types of emission are determined by the INMARSAT organization.

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§80.1189 Portable ship earth stations.

(a) Portable ship earth stations are authorized to operate on board more than one ship. Portable ship earth stations are also authorized to be operated on board fixed offshore platforms located in international or United States domestic waters.

- (b) Portable ship earth stations must meet the rule requirements of ship earth stations with the exeception of eligibility.
- (c) Where the license of the portable ship earth station is not the owner of the ship or fixed platform on which the station is located, the station must be operated with the permission of the owner or operator of the ship or fixed platform.

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RADIODETERMINATION

§80.1201 Special provisions for cablerepair ship stations.

- (a) A ship station may be authorized to use radio channels in the 285–315 kHz band in Region 1 and 285–325 kHz in any other region for cable repair radio-determination purposes under the following conditions:
- (1) The radio transmitting equipment attached to the cable-marker buoy associated with the ship station must be described in the station application;
- (2) The call sign used for the transmitter operating under the provisions of this section is the call sign of the ship station followed by the letters "BT" and the identifying number of the buoy.
- (3) The buoy transmitter must be continuously monitored by a licensed radiotelegraph operator on board the cable repair ship station; and
- (4) The transmitter must operate under the provisions in §80.375(b).

Subpart Y—Competitive Bidding Procedures

SOURCE: 63 FR 40065, July 27, 1998, unless otherwise noted.

§ 80.1251 Maritime communications subject to competitive bidding.

Mutually exclusive initial applications for VPCSA licenses and AMTS coast station licenses are subject to competitive bidding. The general competitive bidding procedures set forth in part 1, subpart Q of this chapter will apply unless otherwise provided in this part.

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