

§ 68.326 Retention of records.

(a) The responsible party for a Supplier's Declaration of Conformity shall maintain records containing the following information:

(1) A copy of the Supplier's Declaration of Conformity;

(2) The identity of the testing facility, including the name, address, phone number and other contact information.

(3) A detailed explanation of the testing procedure utilized to determine whether terminal equipment conforms to the appropriate technical criteria.

(4) A copy of the test results for terminal equipment compliance with the appropriate technical criteria.

(b) For each device subject to the Supplier's Declaration of Conformity requirement, the responsible party shall maintain all records required under § 68.326(a) for at least ten years after the manufacture of said equipment has been permanently discontinued, or until the conclusion of an investigation or a proceeding, if the responsible party is officially notified prior to the expiration of such ten year period that an investigation or any other administrative proceeding involving its equipment has been instituted, whichever is later.

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§ 68.346 Description of testing facilities.

(a) Each responsible party for equipment that is subject to a Supplier's Declaration of Conformity under this part, shall compile a description of the measurement facilities employed for testing the equipment. The responsible party for the Supplier's Declaration of Conformity shall retain a description of the measurement facilities.

(b) The description shall contain the information required to be included by the Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments.

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§ 68.348 Changes in equipment and circuitry subject to a Supplier's Declaration of Conformity.

(a) No change shall be made in terminal equipment or protective circuitry that would result in any material change in the information con-

tained in the Supplier's Declaration of Conformity Statement furnished to users.

(b) Any other changes in terminal equipment or protective circuitry which is subject to an effective Supplier's Declaration of Conformity shall be made only by the responsible party or an authorized agent thereof, and the responsible party will remain responsible for the performance of such changes.

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§ 68.350 Revocation of Supplier's Declaration of Conformity.

(a) The Commission may revoke any Supplier's Declaration of Conformity for cause in accordance with the provisions of this section or in the event changes in technical standards published by the Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments require the revocation of any outstanding Supplier's Declaration of Conformity in order to achieve the objectives of part 68.

(b) Cause for revocation. In addition to the provisions in § 68.211, the Commission may revoke a Supplier's Declaration of Conformity:

(1) For false statements or representations made in materials or responses submitted to the Commission and/or the Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments, or in records required to be kept by § 68.324 and the Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments.

(2) If upon subsequent inspection or operation it is determined that the equipment does not conform to the pertinent technical requirements.

(3) If it is determined that changes have been made in the equipment other than those authorized by this part or otherwise expressly authorized by the Commission.

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§ 68.354 Numbering and labeling requirements for terminal equipment.

(a) Terminal equipment and protective circuitry that is subject to a Supplier's Declaration of Conformity or that is certified by a Telecommunications Certification Body shall have labels in a place and manner required

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by the Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments.

(b) Terminal equipment labels shall include an identification numbering system in a manner required by the Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments.

(c) If the Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments chooses to continue the practice of utilizing a designated “FCC” number, it shall include in its labeling requirements a warning that the Commission no longer directly approves or registers terminal equipment.

(d) Labeling developed for terminal equipment by the Administrative Council on Terminal Attachments shall contain sufficient information for providers of wireline telecommunications, the Federal Communications Commission, and the U.S. Customs Service to carry out their functions, and for consumers to easily identify the responsible party of their terminal equipment. The numbering and labeling scheme shall be nondiscriminatory, creating no competitive advantage for any entity or segment of the industry.

(e) FCC numbering and labeling requirements existing prior to the effective date of these rules shall remain unchanged until the Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments publishes its numbering and labeling requirements.

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Subpart E—Complaint Procedures

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§ 68.414 Hearing aid-compatibility: Enforcement.

Enforcement of §§ 68.4 and 68.112 is hereby delegated to those states which adopt those sections and provide for their enforcement. The procedures followed by a state to enforce those sections shall provide a 30-day period after a complaint is filed, during which time state personnel shall attempt to resolve a dispute on an informal basis. If a state has not adopted or incorporated §§ 68.4 and 68.112, or failed to act within 6 months from the filing of a complaint with the state public utility commission, the Commission will accept such

complaints. A written notification to the complainant that the state believes action is unwarranted is not a failure to act.

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§ 68.415 Hearing aid-compatibility and volume control informal complaints.

Persons with complaints under §§ 68.4 and 68.112 that are not addressed by the states pursuant to § 68.414, and all other complaints regarding rules in this part pertaining to hearing aid compatibility and volume control, may bring informal complaints as described in § 68.416 through § 68.420. All responsible parties of terminal equipment are subject to the informal complaint provisions specified in this section.

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§ 68.417 Informal complaints; form and content.

(a) An informal complaint alleging a violation of hearing aid compatibility and/or volume control rules in this subpart may be transmitted to the Consumer Information Bureau by any reasonable means, e.g., letter, facsimile transmission, telephone (voice/TRS/TTY), Internet e-mail, ASCII text, audio-cassette recording, and Braille.

(b) An informal complaint shall include:

- (1) The name and address of the complainant;
- (2) The name and address of the responsible party, if known, or the manufacturer or provider against whom the complaint is made;
- (3) A full description of the terminal equipment about which the complaint is made;
- (4) The date or dates on which the complainant purchased, acquired or used the terminal equipment about which the complaint is being made;
- (5) A complete statement of the facts, including documentation where available, supporting the complainant's allegation that the defendant has failed to comply with the requirements of this subpart;
- (6) The specific relief or satisfaction sought by the complainant, and