

**§ 25.102 Station authorization required.**

(a) No person shall use or operate apparatus for the transmission of energy or communications or signals by space or earth stations except under, and in accordance with, an appropriate authorization granted by the Federal Communications Commission.

(b) Protection from impermissible levels of interference to the reception of signals by earth stations in the Fixed-Satellite Service from terrestrial stations in a co-equally shared band is provided through the authorizations granted under this part.

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**§ 25.103 Definitions.**

Terms with definitions including the “(RR)” designation are defined in the same way in § 2.1 of this chapter and in the Radio Regulations of the International Telecommunication Union.

*1.5/1.6 GHz Mobile-Satellite Service.* Mobile-Satellite Service provided in any portion of the 1525–1559 MHz space-to-Earth band and the 1626.5–1660.5 MHz Earth-to-space band, which are referred to in this rule part as the “1.5/1.6 GHz MSS bands.”

*1.6/2.4 GHz Mobile-Satellite Service.* A Mobile-Satellite Service that operates in the 1610–1626.5 MHz and 2483.5–2500 MHz bands, or in any portion thereof.

*2 GHz Mobile-Satellite Service.* A Mobile-Satellite Service that operates in the 2000–2020 MHz and 2180–2200 MHz bands, or in any portion thereof.

*12/14 GHz bands.* The 11.7–12.2 GHz Fixed-Satellite Service space-to-Earth band and the 14.0–14.5 GHz Fixed-Satellite Service Earth-to-space band.

*17/24 GHz Broadcasting-Satellite Service (17/24 GHz BSS).* A radiocommunication service involving transmission from one or more feeder-link earth stations to other earth stations via geostationary satellites, in the 17.3–17.7 GHz (space-to-Earth) (domestic allocation), 17.3–17.8 GHz (space-to-Earth) (international allocation) and 24.75–25.25 GHz (Earth-to-space) bands. For purposes of the application processing provisions of this part, the 17/24 GHz BSS is a GSO-like service. Unless specifically stated otherwise, 17/24 GHz

BSS systems are subject to the rules in this part applicable to FSS.

*20/30 GHz bands.* The 18.3–20.2 GHz Fixed-Satellite Service space-to-Earth band and the 28.35–30.0 GHz Fixed-Satellite Service Earth-to-space band.

*Ancillary Terrestrial Component (ATC).* A terrestrial communications network used in conjunction with a qualifying satellite network system authorized pursuant to these rules and the conditions established in the Orders issued in IB Docket No. 01–185, *Flexibility for Delivery of Communications by Mobile-Satellite Service Providers in the 2 GHz Band, the L-Band, and the 1.6/2.4 GHz Band.*

*Ancillary Terrestrial Component (ATC) base station.* A terrestrial fixed facility used to transmit communications to or receive communications from one or more ancillary terrestrial component mobile terminals.

*Ancillary Terrestrial Component (ATC) mobile terminal.* A terrestrial mobile facility used to transmit communications to or receive communications from an ancillary terrestrial component base station or a space station.

*Blanket license.* A license for multiple fixed or mobile earth stations or SDARS terrestrial repeaters that may be operated anywhere within a geographic area specified in the license, or for multiple non-geostationary-orbit space stations.

*C band.* As used in this part, the terms “C band” and “conventional C band” refer to the 3700–4200 MHz (space-to-Earth) and 5925–6425 MHz (Earth-to-space) bands. These paired bands are allocated to the Fixed-Satellite Service and are also referred to as the 4/6 GHz bands.

*Coordination distance.* When determining the need for coordination, the distance on a given azimuth from an earth station sharing the same frequency band with terrestrial stations, or from a transmitting earth station sharing the same bidirectionally allocated frequency band with receiving earth stations, beyond which the level of permissible interference will not be exceeded and coordination is therefore not required. (RR)

*Direct Broadcast Satellite (DBS) Service.* A radiocommunication service in