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of this part and the station authorization.

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§ 74.761 Frequency tolerance.

The licensee of a low power TV, TV translator, or TV booster station shall maintain the transmitter output frequencies as set forth below. The frequency tolerance of stations using direct frequency conversion of a received signal and not engaging in offset carrier operation as set forth in paragraph (d) of this section will be referenced to the authorized plus or minus 10 kHz offset, if any, of the primary station.

(a) The visual carrier shall be maintained to within 0.02 percent of the assigned visual carrier frequency for transmitters rated at not more than 100 watts peak visual power.

(b) The visual carrier shall be maintained to within 0.002 percent of the assigned visual carrier frequency for transmitters rated at more than 100 watts peak visual power.

(c) The aural carrier of stations employing modulating equipment shall be maintained at 4.5 MHz \pm 1 kHz above the visual carrier frequency.

(d) The visual carrier shall be maintained to within 1 kHz of the assigned channel carrier frequency if the low power TV, TV translator, or TV booster station is authorized with a specified offset designation in order to provide protection under the provisions of § 74.705 or § 74.707.

[43 FR 1952, Jan. 13, 1978, as amended at 52 FR 31405, Aug. 20, 1987]

§ 74.762 Frequency measurements.

(a) The licensee of a low power TV station, a TV translator, or a TV booster station must measure the carrier frequencies of its output channel as often as necessary to ensure operation within the specified tolerances, and at least once each calendar year at intervals not exceeding 14 months.

(b) In the event that a low power TV, TV translator, or TV booster station is found to be operating beyond the fre-

quency tolerance prescribed in § 74.761, the licensee promptly shall suspend operation of the transmitter and shall not resume operation until transmitter has been restored to its assigned frequencies. Adjustment of the frequency determining circuits of the transmitter shall be made only by a qualified person in accordance with § 74.750(g).

[52 FR 31405, Aug. 20, 1987]

§ 74.763 Time of operation.

(a) A low power TV, TV translator, or TV booster station is not required to adhere to any regular schedule of operation. However, the licensee of a TV translator or TV booster station is expected to provide service to the extent that such is within its control and to avoid unwarranted interruptions in the service provided.

(b) In the event that causes beyond the control of the low power TV or TV translator station licensee make it impossible to continue operating, the licensee may discontinue operation for a period of not more than 30 days without further authority from the FCC. Notification must be sent to the FCC in Washington, DC, Attention: Video Division, Media Bureau, not later than the 10th day of discontinued operation. During such period, the licensee shall continue to adhere to the requirements in the station license pertaining to the lighting of antenna structures. In the event normal operation is restored prior to the expiration of the 30 day period, the FCC in Washington, DC, Attention: Video Division, Media Bureau, shall be notified in writing of the date normal operations resumed. If causes beyond the control of the licensee make it impossible to comply within the allowed period, a request for Special Temporary Authority (see § 73.1635 of this chapter) shall be made to the FCC no later than the 30th day for such additional time as may be deemed necessary.

(c) Failure of a low power TV, TV translator, or TV booster station to operate for a period of 30 days or more, except for causes beyond the control of the licensee, shall be deemed evidence of discontinuation of operation and the license of the station may be cancelled at the discretion of the FCC. Furthermore, the station's license will expire

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as a matter of law, without regard to any causes beyond control of the licensee, if the station fails to transmit broadcast signals for any consecutive 12-month period, notwithstanding any provision, term, or condition of the license to the contrary.

(d) A television broadcast translator station shall not be permitted to radiate during extended periods when signals of the primary station are not being retransmitted.

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§ 74.769 Familiarity with FCC rules.

Each licensee or permittee of a station authorized under this subpart shall be familiar with those rules relating to stations authorized under this subpart. Copies of the Commission's rules may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Publishing Office, Washington, DC 20401, or accessed online at <https://www.ecfr.gov> or <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/browse/collectionCfr.action?collectionCode=CFR>.

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§ 74.779 Electronic delivery of notices to LPTV stations.

In accordance with § 76.1600 of this title, beginning July 31, 2020, each licensee of a low power television station or noncommercial educational translator station that is entitled to notices under § 76.64(k), § 76.1601, § 76.1607, or § 76.1617 of this title shall receive such notices via email to the licensee's email address (not a contact representative's email address, if different from the licensee's email address) as displayed publicly in the Commission's Licensing and Management System (LMS), or the primary station's carriage-related email address if the non-commercial educational translator station does not have its own email address listed in LMS. Licensees are responsible for the continuing accuracy and completeness of this information.

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§ 74.780 Broadcast regulations applicable to translators, low power, and booster stations.

The following rules are applicable to TV translator, low power TV, and TV booster stations:

Part 5—Experimental authorizations.

Section 73.653—Operation of TV aural and visual transmitters.

Section 73.658—Affiliation agreements and network program practices; territorial exclusivity in non-network program arrangements.

Part 73, Subpart G—Emergency Broadcast System (for low power TV stations locally originating programming as defined by § 74.701(h)).

Section 73.1201—Station identification (for low power TV stations locally originating programming as defined by § 74.701(h)).

Section 73.1206—Broadcast of telephone conversations.

Section 73.1207—Rebroadcasts.

Section 73.1208—Broadcast of taped, filmed or recorded material.

Section 73.1211—Broadcast of lottery information.

Section 73.1212—Sponsorship identifications; list retention, related requirements.

Section 73.1216—Licensee conducted contests.

Section 73.1515—Special field test authorizations.

Section 73.1615—Operation during modifications of facilities.

Section 73.1635—Special temporary authorizations (STA).

Section 73.1650—International broadcasting agreements.

Section 73.1680—Emergency antennas.

Section 73.1692—Construction near or installations on an AM broadcast tower.

Section 73.1940—Broadcasts by candidates for public office.

Section 73.2080—Equal employment opportunities (for low power TV stations only).

Section 73.3500—Application and report forms.

Section 73.3511—Applications required.

Section 73.3512—Where to file; number of copies.

Section 73.3513—Signing of applications.

Section 73.3514—Content of applications.

Section 73.3516—Specification of facilities.

Section 73.3517—Contingent applications.

Section 73.3518—Inconsistent or conflicting applications.

Section 73.3519—Repetitious applications.

Section 73.3521—Mutually exclusive applications for low power TV and TV translator stations.

Section 73.3522—Amendment of applications.

Section 73.3525—Agreements for removing application conflicts.