



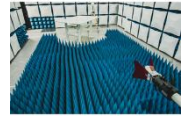
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RF EXPOSURE EVALUATION Maximum Permissible Exposure [MPE]

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IC: 579C-A3218

APPLICANT: Apple Inc.

Application Type:

Certification

Model/HVIN:

A3218

EUT Type:

Smart Speaker with Display

FCC Rule Part:

FCC Part 1 (§1.1310) and Part 2 (§2.1091)

ISED Specification:

RSS-102 Issue 6

This equipment has been shown to be capable of compliance with the applicable technical standards as indicated in the measurement report and was tested in accordance with the measurement procedures specified in FCC KDB 447498 D01 v06. Test results reported herein relate only to the item(s) tested.

I attest to the accuracy of data. All measurements reported herein were performed by me or were made under my supervision and are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I assume full responsibility for the completeness of these measurements and vouch for the qualifications of all persons taking them.

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1.0 RF EXPOSURE EVALUATION – MAXIMUM PERMISSIBLE EXPOSURE (MPE)

1.1 Introduction

This document is prepared to show compliance with the RF Exposure requirements as required in §1.1310 of the FCC Rules and Regulations and RSS-102 of Industry Canada.

The limit for Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE), specified in FCC §1.1310 is listed in Table 1-1, and specified in RSS-102 is listed in Table 1-2. According to FCC §1.1310 and RSS-102: the criteria listed in the following tables shall be used to evaluate the environmental impact of human exposure to radio-frequency (RF) radiation as specified in §1.1307(b).

Frequency Range (MHz)	Electric Field Strength (V/m)	Magnetic Field Strength (A/m)	Power Density (mW/cm ²)	Average Time (minutes)
(i) Limits for Occupational / Controlled Exposure				
0.3-3.0	614	1.63	*(100)	≤6
3.0-30	1842 / f	4.89 / f	*(900 / f ²)	<6
30-300	61.4	0.163	1.0	<6
300-1,500			f / 300	<6
1500-100,000			5	<6
(ii) Limits for General Population / Uncontrolled Exposure				
0.3-1.34	614	1.63	*(100)	<30
1.34-30	824 / f	2.19 / f	*(180 / f ²)	<30
30-300	27.5	0.073	0.2	<30
300-1,500			f / 1500	<30
1500-100,000			1.0	<30

f = frequency in MHz. * = Plane-wave equivalent density

Table 1-1. FCC Limits for Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE)

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Frequency Range (MHz)	Electric Field Strength (V_{RMS}/m)	Magnetic Field Strength (A_{RMS}/m)	Power Density (W/m^2)	Reference Period (minutes)
(A) RF field strength and power density limits for controlled-use devices (controlled environment) (f = frequency in MHz)				
10-20	61.4	0.163	10	6
20-48	$129.8 / f^{0.25}$	$0.3444 / f^{0.25}$	$44.72 / f^{0.5}$	6
48-100	49.33	0.1309	6.455	6
100-6000	$15.60 f^{0.25}$	$0.04138 f^{0.25}$	$0.6455 f^{0.5}$	6
6000-15000	137	0.364	50	6
15000-150000	137	0.364	50	$616000 / f^{1.2}$
150000-300000	$0.354 f^{0.5}$	$9.40 \times 10^{-4} f^{0.5}$	$3.33 \times 10^{-4} f$	$616000 / f^{1.2}$
(B) RF field strength and power density limits for devices used by the general public (uncontrolled environment) (f = frequency in MHz)				
10-20	27.46	0.0728	2	6
20-48	$58.07 / f^{0.25}$	$0.1540 / f^{0.25}$	$8.944 / f^{0.5}$	6
48-300	22.06	0.05852	1.291	6
300-6000	$3.142 f^{0.3417}$	$0.008335 f^{0.3417}$	$0.02619 f^{0.6834}$	6
6000-15000	61.4	0.163	10	6
15000-150000	61.4	0.163	10	$616000 / f^{1.2}$
150000-300000	$0.158 f^{0.5}$	$4.21 \times 10^{-4} f^{0.5}$	$6.67 \times 10^{-5} f$	$616000 / f^{1.2}$

Table 1-2. ISED Limits for Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE)

1.2 EUT Description

The Equipment Under Test (EUT) is the **Apple Smart Speaker with Display FCC ID: BCGA3218 and IC: 579C-A3218**. The device contains the following capabilities:

802.11b/g/n/ax WLAN, 802.11a/n/ac/ax UNII (5GHz and 6GHz), 802.15.4, Bluetooth (1x, EDR, LE1M, LE2M)

EUT consists of an Apple smart speaker with touch display, microphone and AC power cable.

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1.3 MPE Requirements Overview

Three different categories of transmitters are defined by the FCC KDB 447498 D01 v06. These categories are fixed installation, mobile, and portable and are defined as follows:

- **Fixed Installations:** fixed location means that the device, including its antenna, is physically secured at a permanent location and is not able to be easily moved to another location. Additionally, distance to humans from the antenna is maintained to at least 2 meters.
- **Mobile Devices:** a mobile device is defined as a transmitting device designed to be used in other than fixed locations and to be generally used in such a way that a separation distance of at least 20 centimeters is normally maintained between the transmitter's radiating structures and the body of the user or nearby persons. Transmitters designed to be used by consumers or workers that can be easily re-located, such as a wireless modem operating in a laptop computer, are considered mobile devices if they meet the 20 centimeter separation requirement. The FCC rules for evaluating mobile devices for RF compliance are found in 47 CFR §2.1091.
- **Portable Devices:** a portable device is defined as a transmitting device designed to be used so that the radiating structure(s) of the device is/are within 20 centimeters of the body of the user. Portable device requirements are found in Section 2.1093 of the FCC's Rules (47 CFR§2.1093).

The FCC also categorizes the use of the device as based upon the user's awareness and ability to exercise control over his or her exposure. The two categories defined are Occupational/ Controlled Exposure and General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure. These two categories are defined as follows:

- **Occupational/Controlled Exposure:** In general, occupational/controlled exposure limits are applicable to situations in which persons are exposed as a consequence of their employment, who have been made fully aware of the potential for exposure and can exercise control over their exposure. This exposure category is also applicable when the exposure is of a transient nature due to incidental passage through a location where the exposure levels may be higher than the general population/uncontrolled limits, but the exposed person is fully aware of the potential for exposure and can exercise control over his or her exposure by leaving the area or by some other appropriate means. Awareness of the potential for RF exposure in a workplace or similar environment can be provided through specific training as part of a RF safety program. If appropriate, warning signs and labels can also be used to establish such awareness by providing prominent information on the risk of potential exposure and instructions on methods to minimize such exposure risks.
- **General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure:** The general population / uncontrolled exposure limits are applicable to situations in which the general public may be exposed or in which persons who are exposed as a consequence of their employment may not be made fully aware of the potential for exposure or cannot exercise control over their exposure. Members of the general public would come under this category when exposure is not employment-related; for example, in the case of a wireless transmitter that exposes persons in its vicinity. Warning labels placed on low-power consumer devices such as cellular telephones are not considered sufficient to allow the device to be considered under the occupational/controlled category, and the general population/uncontrolled exposure limits apply to these devices.

The **Apple Smart Speaker with Display FCC ID: BCGA3218 and IC: 579C-A3218** is evaluated to the General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure requirements.

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1.4 Procedure

The procedure used to determine the RF power density was based upon a calculation for determining compliance with the MPE requirements.

The power generated by each transmitter used in this product was initially measured using a power meter, and the measured power levels were recorded. Using the Friis transmission formula and the maximum applicable antenna gain, the power density was then calculated at a separation distance of 20 cm.

Friis Transmission Formula

Friis transmission formula: $P_d = (P_{out} * G) / (4\pi r^2)$

Where,

P_d = Power Density (mW/cm²)

π = 3.1416

P_{out} = output power to antenna (mW)

r = distance between observation point and center of the radiator (cm)

G = gain of antenna in linear scale

Calculated MPE

The power density limit for General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure at each frequency is determined based on the information in Table 1-1.

	FCC		ISED	
Frequency	2427	MHz	2427	MHz
Limit	1.000	mW/cm ²	5.389	W/m ²
Limit Distance (cm), R =	20.00	cm	0.20	m
Power (dBm), P =	27.92	dBm	27.92	dBm
Power (mW), P =	619.441	mW	0.619	W
Tx Ant Gain (dBi), G =	3.7	dBi	3.7	dBi
Power Density (S) at 20cm =	0.28889	mW/cm ²	2.88888	W/m ²
Minimum Distance =	10.74966	cm	0.14644	m

Table 1-3. Calculated MPE for WLAN

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	FCC		ISED	
Frequency	2441	MHz	2441	MHz
Limit	1.000	mW/cm ²	5.410	W/m ²
Limit Distance (cm), R =	20.00	cm	0.20	m
Power (dBm), P =	15.27	dBm	15.27	dBm
Power (mW), P =	33.651	mW	0.034	W
Tx Ant Gain (dBi), G =	0.87	dBi	0.87	dBi
Power Density (S) at 20cm =	0.00818	mW/cm ²	0.08180	W/m ²
Minimum Distance =	1.80882	cm	0.02459	m

Table 1-4. Calculated MPE for Bluetooth

	FCC		ISED	
Frequency	2402	MHz	2402	MHz
Limit	1.000	mW/cm ²	5.351	W/m ²
Limit Distance (cm), R =	20.00	cm	0.20	m
Power (dBm), P =	15.12	dBm	15.12	dBm
Power (mW), P =	32.509	mW	0.033	W
Tx Ant Gain (dBi), G =	0.87	dBi	0.87	dBi
Power Density (S) at 20cm =	0.00790	mW/cm ²	0.07902	W/m ²
Minimum Distance =	1.77785	cm	0.02430	m

Table 1-5. Calculated MPE for Bluetooth LE

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	FCC		ISED	
Frequency	5270	MHz	5630	MHz
Limit	1.000	mW/cm ²	9.577	W/m ²
Limit Distance (cm), R =	20.00	cm	0.20	m
Power (dBm), P =	21.46	dBm	21.40	dBm
Power (mW), P =	139.959	mW	0.138	W
Tx Ant Gain (dBi), G =	1.67	dBi	2.93	dBi
Power Density (S) at 20cm =	0.04090	mW/cm ²	0.40339	W/m ²
Minimum Distance =	4.04478	cm	0.04105	m

Table 1-6. Calculated MPE for UNII 5GHz

	FCC		ISED	
Frequency	2475	MHz	2475	MHz
Limit	1.000	mW/cm ²	5.461	W/m ²
Limit Distance (cm), R =	20.00	cm	0.20	m
Power (dBm), P =	18.00	dBm	18.00	dBm
Power (mW), P =	63.096	mW	0.063	W
Tx Ant Gain (dBi), G =	0.5	dBi	0.5	dBi
Power Density (S) at 20cm =	0.01408	mW/cm ²	0.14084	W/m ²
Minimum Distance =	2.37353	cm	0.03212	m

Table 1-7. Calculated MPE for 802.15.4

	FCC		ISED	
Frequency	6165.0	MHz	6165.0	MHz
Limit	1.000	mW/cm ²	10.000	W/m ²
Limit Distance (cm), R =	20.00	cm	0.20	m
Power (dBm EIRP), P =	19.89	dBm	19.89	dBm
Power (mW EIRP), P =	97.499	mW	0.09750	W
Tx Ant Gain (dBi), G =	2.71	dBi	2.71	dBi
Power Density (S) at 20cm =	0.03620	mW/cm ²	0.36202	W/m ²
Minimum Distance =	3.80535	cm	0.03805	m

Table 1-8. Calculated MPE for UNII 6GHz

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1.5 Summary of Results

	Power Density (mW/cm ²)	Limit (mW/cm ²)	Percent MPE Used (%)
Transmitter #1 WLAN	0.28889	1.00000	28.88878
Transmitter #2 Bluetooth	0.00818	1.00000	0.81795
Transmitter #3 802.15.4	0.01408	1.00000	1.40841
Transmitter #4 Bluetooth LE	0.00790	1.00000	0.79019
Transmitter #5 UNII 5GHz	0.04090	1.00000	4.09005
Transmitter #6 UNII 6GHz	0.03620	1.00000	3.62017
Total			39.61555

Table 1-9. FCC Cumulative Results for Multiple Transmitters

	Power Density (W/m ²)	Limit (W/m ²)	Percent MPE Used (%)
Transmitter #1 WLAN	2.88888	5.38880	53.60891
Transmitter #2 Bluetooth	0.08180	5.41003	1.51192
Transmitter #3 802.15.4	0.14084	5.46141	2.57884
Transmitter #4 Bluetooth LE	0.07902	5.35080	1.47676
Transmitter #5 UNII 5GHz	0.40339	9.57708	4.21208
Transmitter #6 UNII 6GHz	0.36202	10.00000	3.62017
Total			67.00868

Table 1-10. ISED Cumulative Results for Multiple Transmitters

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2.0 CONCLUSION

The device meets the mobile RF exposure limit at a 20cm separation distance as specified in §2.1091 of the FCC Rules and Regulations and Health Canada Safety Code 6. An appropriate RF exposure compliance statement will be placed in the user's manual.

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