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ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

**The Wireless Telegraphy (Exemption and Amendment)
(Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2018**

Made - - - - *6th November 2018*

Coming into force - - *27th November 2018*

The Office of Communications (“OFCOM”) make the following Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 8(3) and 122 of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 2006(a) (the “Act”).

Before making these Regulations, OFCOM have given notice of their proposal to do so in accordance with section 122(4)(a) of the Act, published notice of their proposal in accordance with section 122(4)(b) of the Act, and have considered the representations made to them before the time specified in the notice in accordance with section 122(4)(c) of the Act.

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Wireless Telegraphy (Exemption and Amendment) (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2018 and shall come into force on 27th November 2018.

Amendment of the Wireless Telegraphy (Exemption and Amendment) Regulations 2010

2.—(1) The Wireless Telegraphy (Exemption and Amendment) Regulations 2010(b) shall be amended in accordance with the following provisions of these Regulations.

(2) In regulation 5 (short range devices), for ““IR 2030—UK Interface Requirements 2030 Licence Exempt Short Range Devices”, published by OFCOM on 27th February 2018”, substitute ““IR 2030—UK Interface Requirements 2030 Licence Exempt Short Range Devices”, published by OFCOM in November 2018”.

(3) In regulation 6 (fixed wireless systems)—

(a) for ““IR 2078, UK Interface Requirement 2078, Fixed Wireless Systems in the frequency band 57.1 to 63.9 GHz”(c)” substitute “IR 2078—UK Interface Requirement 2078, Fixed Wireless Systems in the frequency band 57.1 to 70.875 GHz, published by OFCOM in November 2018”; and

(b) delete footnote (c).

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6th November 2018

For and by authority of the Office of Communications

(a) 2006 c.36; sections 8(3) and 122 were extended to the Bailiwick of Guernsey by article 2 of the Wireless Telegraphy (Guernsey) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/3325); to the Bailiwick of Jersey by article 2 of the Wireless Telegraphy (Jersey) Order 2006 (S.I. 2006/3324); and to the Isle of Man by article 2 of the Wireless Telegraphy (Isle of Man) Order 2007 (S.I. 2007/278).

(b) S.I. 2010/2512 as amended by S.I. 2011/3035, S.I. 2013/1253, S.I. 2014/1484, S.I. 2017/746 and S.I. 2018/263.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend regulations 5 and 6 of the Wireless Telegraphy (Exemption and Amendment) Regulations 2010 (SI 2010/2512) (“the Principal Regulations”).

Regulations 5 and 6 of the Principal Regulations exempt from the requirement to be licensed under section 8(1) of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 2006 (c 36) the establishment, installation and use of short range device wireless telegraphy apparatus and fixed wireless systems apparatus which comply with technical requirements.

Technical requirements are set out in interface requirement documents which have been published by OFCOM.

These documents have been changed and new documents have been published by OFCOM.

Regulation 2 of these Regulations amends the Principal Regulations to refer to the interface requirement documents published by OFCOM in November 2018.

As a result of these changes additional devices now benefit from the exemption from the requirement to be licensed under section 8(1) of the Act.

Copies of interface requirement documents referred to in these Regulations may be obtained from OFCOM at Riverside House, 2a Southwark Bridge Road, London SE1 9HA and are available on the OFCOM website at <http://www.ofcom.org.uk>.

A full regulatory impact assessment of the effect that these Regulations will have on costs to business is available to the public from the OFCOM website at <http://www.ofcom.org.uk> or from the OFCOM library at Riverside House, 2a Southwark Bridge Road, London SE1 9HA (Tel; 020 207 981 3000). Copies of this assessment have also been placed in the libraries of both Houses of Parliament.

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