

4 FCC § 15.247(i), §1.1310, § 2.1091 - Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE)

4.1 Applicable Standard

According to subpart 15.247(i) and subpart §1.1310, systems operating under the provisions of this section shall be operated in a manner that ensures that the public is not exposed to radio frequency energy level in excess of the Commission’s guidelines.

Limits for Maximum Permissible Exposure (MPE) (§1.1310, §2.1091)

(B) Limits for General Population/Uncontrolled Exposure				
Frequency Range (MHz)	Electric Field Strength (V/m)	Magnetic Field Strength (A/m)	Power Density (mW/cm ²)	Averaging Time (minutes)
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
300–1500	/	/	f/1500	30
1500–100,000	/	/	1.0	30

f = frequency in MHz; * = Plane-wave equivalent power density;

According to §1.1310 and §2.1091 RF exposure is calculated.

Calculated Formulary:

Predication of MPE limit at a given distance

$S = PG/4\pi R^2$ = power density (in appropriate units, e.g. mW/cm²);

P = power input to the antenna (in appropriate units, e.g., mW);

G = power gain of the antenna in the direction of interest relative to an isotropic radiator, the power gain factor, is normally numeric gain;

R = distance to the center of radiation of the antenna (appropriate units, e.g., cm);

For simultaneously transmit system, the calculated power density should comply with:

$$\sum_i \frac{S_i}{S_{Limit,i}} \leq 1$$

4.2 RF Exposure Evaluation Result

MPE evaluation for single transmission:

Mode	Frequency Range (MHz)	Antenna Gain		Target Power		Evaluation Distance (cm)	Power Density (mW/cm ²)	MPE Limit (mW/cm ²)
		(dBi)	(numeric)	(dBm)	(mW)			
2.4G WIFI	2412-2462	3.12	2.05	27.5	562.34	20	0.23	1.0
5G WIFI B1	5180-5240	10.97	12.50	18.0	63.09	20	0.16	1.0
5G WIFI B4	5725-5825	13.21	20.94	22.5	177.83	20	0.74	1.0

Note: the maximum antenna gain was used for evaluation.

MPE evaluation for simultaneous transmission:

2.4G WIFI and 5G WIFI can transmit at the same time, MPE evaluation is as below formula:

$$PD1/Limit1 + PD2/Limit2 + \dots < 1, PD \text{ (Power Density)}$$

MPE evaluation=

$$\text{MPE of 2.4G WIFI}/1 + \text{MPE of 5G WIFI}/1 = 0.23/1 + 0.74/1 = 0.97 < 1.0$$

Result: MPE evaluation of single and simultaneous transmission meet 20cm the requirement of standard.