

APPENDIX A: RF EXPOSURE CALCULATIONS FOR HIGH GAIN ANTENNAS

From FCC 1.1310 table 1A, the maximum permissible RF exposure for an uncontrolled environment is 1mW/cm². The Electric field generated for a 1mW/cm² exposure (S) is calculated as follows:

$$S = E^2/Z$$

where:

S = Power density

E = Electric field

Z = Impedance.

$$E = \sqrt{S} \times Z$$

1mW/cm²= 10 W/m²

The impedance of free space is 337 ohms, where E and H fields are perpendicular.

 $E = \sqrt{10 \times 377} = 61.4 \text{ V/m}$ which is equivalent to 1mW/cm^2

Using the relationship between Electric field E, Power in watts P, and distance in meters d, the corresponding Antenna numeric gain G and the transmitter output power and solving for d,

$$d = \sqrt{\frac{P_{eak} \times 30 \times G}{E}}$$

Example using the Stub Omni-directional antenna

1. The Numeric gain G of antenna with a gain specified in dB is determined by:

$$G = Log^{-1} (dB gain/10)$$

$$G = Log^{-1} 0.215 = 1.64$$

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Notice in Installation Manual:

While installing and operating this transmitter and antenna combination the radio frequency exposure limit of 1mW/cm² may be exceeded at distances close to the antennas installed. Therefore, the user must maintain a minimum distance of 5 cm from the antenna at all time.

The table below identifies the distances where the 1mW/cm² exposure limits may be exceeded during continuous transmission using the external antenna

TABLE 7-1: RF EXPOSURE SEPARATION DISTANCE

ANTENNA TYPE	EIRP antenna (dBm)	ANTENNA GAIN	CALCULATED RF EXPOSURE SEPARATION DISTANCE (cm)	MINIMUM RF EXPOSURE SEPARATION DISTANCE (cm)
AIR-ANT1949	30.1	13.5	42.7	
AIR-ANT4121	24.2	12.0	18.2	
AIR-ANT3549	23.1	8.5	10.7	
AIR-ANT2012	23.9	6.5	9.3	
AIR-ANT1729	23.2	6.0	8.1	
AIR-ANT2506	20.4	5.1	5.3	
AIR-ANT3213	20.7	5.0	5.4	
AIR-ANT1728	20.7	5.0	5.4	
AIR-ANT5959	17.4	2.0	2.6	