

## Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Amendment Determination 2023 (No. 3)

The Australian Communications and Media Authority makes the following determination under subsection 7(1) of the *Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Act 1983*.

Dated: 15 December 2023

Samantha Yorke [signed] Member

Carolyn Lidgerwood [signed] Member/<del>General Manager</del>

Australian Communications and Media Authority

#### 1 Name

This is the *Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Amendment Determination 2023 (No. 3).* 

#### 2 Commencement

This instrument commences at the start of the day after the day it is registered on the Federal Register of Legislation.

Note: The Federal Register of Legislation may be accessed free of charge at <a href="www.legislation.gov.au">www.legislation.gov.au</a>.

#### 3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsection 7(1) of the *Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Act 1983*.

#### 4 Amendments

The instrument that is specified in Schedule 1 is amended as set out in the applicable items in that Schedule.

### **Schedule 1—Amendments**

# Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Determination 2015 (F2015L00322)

#### 1 After Part 2

Insert:

## Part 3 Transitional arrangements relating to the Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Amendment Determination 2023 (No. 3)

#### 3.1 Definitions for Part 3

In this Part:

amendment day means the day on which the Amendment Determination commenced.

Amendment Determination means the Radiocommunications (Transmitter Licence Tax) Amendment Determination 2023 (No. 3).

*pre-amendment Determination* means this Determination as in force immediately before the amendment day.

## 3.2 Transitional arrangements on or after commencement of the Amendment Determination

- (1) Despite Part 2 of this Determination, if:
  - (a) transmitter licence tax is imposed on the issue of a transmitter licence; and
  - (b) the licence is issued on or after the amendment day; and
  - (c) the licence comes into force before 5 April 2024;

use the pre-amendment Determination to work out the amount of transmitter licence tax.

- Note 1: If a licence is issued before the amendment day, the pre-amendment Determination is used to work out the amount of transmitter licence tax, whether or not the licence comes into force before 5 April 2024.
- Note 2: If a licence is issued on or after the amendment day, and comes into force on or after 5 April 2024, this Determination as amended by the Amendment Determination is used to work out the amount of transmitter licence tax.
- (2) Despite Part 2 of this Determination, if:
  - (a) transmitter licence tax is imposed on the anniversary of the day on which a transmitter licence came into force (*anniversary day*); and
  - (b) the anniversary day is on or after the amendment day but before 5 April 2024;

use the pre-amendment Determination to work out the amount of transmitter licence tax.

Note 1: If, for a transmitter licence, the anniversary day is before the amendment day, the pre-amendment Determination is used to work out the amount of transmitter licence tax.

Note 2: If, for a transmitter licence, the anniversary day is on or after 5 April 2024, this Determination as amended by the Amendment Determination is used to work out the amount of transmitter licence tax.

#### (3) Despite Part 2 of this Determination, if:

- (a) transmitter licence tax is imposed on the holding of a transmitter licence; and
- (b) the day on which the tax is payable is on or after the amendment day but before 5 April 2024;

use the pre-amendment Determination to work out the amount of transmitter licence tax.

Note 1: If tax is imposed on the holding of a transmitter licence on a particular day, and that day is before the amendment day, the pre-amendment Determination is used to work out the amount of transmitter licence tax.

Note 2: If tax is imposed on the holding of a transmitter licence on a particular day, and that day is on or after 5 April 2024, this Determination as amended by the Amendment Determination is used to work out the amount of transmitter licence tax.

Note 3: Subsections 6(5) and (6) of the Act impose tax on the holding of a licence.

#### 2 Paragraph 204(a) of Schedule 1

Omit 'earth station', substitute 'earth receive station'.

#### 3 Item 205 of Schedule 1

Omit 'earth station' (wherever occurring), substitute 'earth receive station'.

#### 4 Part 2 of Schedule 2 (table 202)

Amount (\$)

Omit the table, substitute:

Table 202

Frequency

range	Area density	Area density							
	Australia wide	High density	Medium density	Low density	Remote density				
MHz									
0–30	1.2317	1.2322	1.2340	1.2305	1.2285				
>30-403	2.7823	1.0871	0.5371	0.1201	0.0598				
>403-520	2.8545	2.1164	0.7327	0.1246	0.0000				
>520–960	2.8545	1.5992	0.7327	0.1246	0.0621				

Frequency	Amount (\$)							
range	Area density							
	Australia wide	High density	Medium density	Low density	Remote density			
>960–2 690	2.8502	0.6399	0.2963	0.1486	0.0740			
GHz								
>2.69–5.0	2.8471	0.5292	0.2148	0.1774	0.0885			
>5.0-8.5	1.2019	0.2223	0.1037	0.0471	0.0228			
>8.5–14.5	0.1059	0.0382	0.0090	0.0007	0.0003			
>14.5–31.3	0.1059	0.0282	0.0062	0.0007	0.0003			
>31.3-51.4	0.0289	0.0154	0.0033	0.0001	0.0001			
>51.4-100	0.0029	0.0003	0.0003	0.0000	0.0000			
>100	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000			

## 5 Part 2A of Schedule 2 (table 206)

Amount (\$)

Omit the table, substitute:

Table 206

Frequency

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range	Area density				
	Australia wide	High density	Medium density	Low density	Remote density
MHz					
0–30	0.1232	0.1232	0.1234	0.1230	0.1229
>30-403	0.2782	0.1087	0.0537	0.0120	0.0060
>403-520	0.2855	0.2116	0.0733	0.0125	0.0000
>520–960	0.2855	0.1599	0.0733	0.0125	0.0062
>960–2 690	0.2850	0.0640	0.0296	0.0149	0.0074
GHz					
>2.69-5.0	0.2847	0.0529	0.0215	0.0177	0.0089
>5.0-8.5	0.1202	0.0222	0.0104	0.0047	0.0023
>8.5–14.5	0.0106	0.0038	0.0009	0.0001	0.0000
>14.5–31.3	0.0106	0.0028	0.0006	0.0001	0.0000
>31.3–51.4	0.0029	0.0015	0.0003	0.0000	0.0000

>51.4-100	0.0003	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
>100	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

## 6 Part 3 of Schedule 2 (table 302)

Omit the table, substitute:

Table 302

Frequency	Amount (\$)				
range	Area density				
	Australia wide	High density	Medium density	Low density	Remote density
MHz					
0-30	91.0688	91.1052	91.2409	90.9767	90.8327
>30-403	205.7120	80.3795	39.7104	8.8763	4.4206
>403-520	211.0516	156.4814	54.1736	9.2136	0.0000
>520-960	211.0516	118.2362	54.1736	9.2136	4.5890
>960–2 690	210.7351	47.3156	21.9063	10.9847	5.4731
GHz					
>2.69-5.0	210.5029	39.1235	15.8799	13.1141	6.5467
>5.0-8.5	88.8633	16.4369	7.6651	3.4788	1.6840
>8.5–14.5	7.8321	2.8208	0.6682	0.0485	0.0232
>14.5–31.3	7.8321	2.0860	0.4588	0.0485	0.0232
>31.3–51.4	2.1358	1.1380	0.2474	0.0084	0.0042
>51.4-100	0.2111	0.0211	0.0211	0.0021	0.0021
>100	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

## 7 Part 3A of Schedule 2 (table 305A, including the example)

Table 305A

Column 1	Column 2	
State or territory of the licence	Tax rate (\$)	
Australian Capital Territory	\$1,268	
New South Wales	\$120,176	
Northern Territory	\$3,355	
Queensland	\$90,200	

Column 1	Column 2	
State or territory of the licence	Tax rate (\$)	
South Australia	\$20,292	
Tasmania	\$483	
Victoria	\$103,239	
Western Australia	\$22,999	

Example: A harmonised government spectrum area licence authorises the use, by transmitters, of 10 MHz in

every part of South Australia. The base amount for the licence on 5 April 2024 is: 10 x 20,292 = \$202,920.

## 8 Part 4 of Schedule 2 (table 402)

Omit the table, substitute:

Table 402

Frequency range	Amount (\$)		
	Area density		

	Australia wide	High density	Medium density	Low density	Remote density
MHz					
0-30	22.7672	22.7763	22.8102	22.7442	14.4194
>30-403	51.4280	20.0949	9.9276	2.2191	0.7018
>403-520	52.7629	39.1203	13.5434	2.3034	0.0000
>520-960	52.7629	29.5590	13.5434	2.3034	0.7285
>960–2 690	1.2454	0.2796	0.1295	0.0649	0.0323
GHz					
>2.69-5.0	1.2440	0.2312	0.0938	0.0775	0.0387
>5.0-8.5	0.5251	0.0971	0.0453	0.0206	0.0100
>8.5–14.5	0.0463	0.0167	0.0039	0.0003	0.0001
>14.5–31.3	0.0463	0.0123	0.0027	0.0003	0.0001
>31.3-51.4	0.0126	0.0067	0.0015	0.0000	0.0000
>51.4-100	0.0012	0.0001	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000
>100	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

## 9 Part 5 of Schedule 2 (table 502)

Table 502

Frequency	Amount (\$)				
range	Area density				
	Australia wide	High density	Medium density	Low density	Remote density
MHz					
0–30	91.0688	91.1052	91.2409	90.9767	56.9441
>30-403	205.7120	80.3795	39.7104	8.8763	2.7713
>403-520	211.0516	156.4814	54.1736	9.2136	0.0000
>520-960	211.0516	118.2362	54.1736	9.2136	2.8769
>960-2 690	1.2454	0.2796	0.1295	0.0649	0.0323
GHz					
>2.69-5.0	1.2440	0.2312	0.0938	0.0775	0.0387
>5.0-8.5	0.5251	0.0971	0.0453	0.0206	0.0100
>8.5–14.5	0.0463	0.0167	0.0039	0.0003	0.0001
>14.5–31.3	0.0463	0.0123	0.0027	0.0003	0.0001
>31.3–51.4	0.0126	0.0067	0.0015	0.0000	0.0000
>51.4-100	0.0012	0.0001	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000
>100	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

## 10 Part 6 of Schedule 2 (table 602)

Table 602

Frequency range	Amount (\$)  Area density				
	Australia wide	High density	Medium density	Low density	Remote density
MHz					
0-30	0.6319	0.6321	0.6331	0.6312	0.6302
>30-70	1.4273	0.5577	0.2755	0.0616	0.0307
>70-399.9	1.4644	1.0857	0.3759	0.0639	0.0000
>399.9–960	1.4644	0.8204	0.3759	0.0639	0.0318

Frequency	Amount (\$)				
range	Area density				
	Australia wide	High density	Medium density	Low density	Remote density
>960–2 690	1.4622	0.3283	0.1520	0.0762	0.0380
GHz					
>2.69-5.0	1.4606	0.2715	0.1102	0.0910	0.0454
>5.0-8.5	0.6166	0.1140	0.0532	0.0241	0.0117
>8.5–14.5	0.0543	0.0196	0.0046	0.0003	0.0002
>14.5–31.3	0.0543	0.0145	0.0032	0.0003	0.0002
>31.3–51.4	0.0148	0.0079	0.0017	0.0001	0.0000
>51.4-100	0.0015	0.0001	0.0001	0.0000	0.0000
>100	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

## 11 Part 7 of Schedule 2 (table 702)

**Table 702** 

Item	Service	Amount
1	Broadcasting licence, other than:	\$41.86 per transmitter
	(a) a broadcasting licence for a service operate in the frequency range 2.3 MHz – 26.1 MH and	
	(b) a broadcasting licence to which another Par of this Schedule applies.	rt
2	Datacasting licence	\$41.86 per transmitter
3	Licence that authorises the operation of point to point (5.8 GHz band) stations	\$41.86 per pair of spectrum accesses
4	Licence that authorises the operation of point to point (self-coordinated) stations	\$239 per pair of spectrum accesses
5	Television outside broadcast network	\$214,217
6	Television outside broadcast system (Australia wide density area)	\$45,093
7	Television outside broadcast system (high densit area)	y \$8,342
8	Television outside broadcast system (medium density area)	\$3,889
9	Television outside broadcast system (low density area)	\$1,767

Item	Service	Amount
10	Television outside broadcast system (remote density area)	\$883
11	PABX cordless telephone service	\$41.86
12	Subject to sub-item 702(2), PMTS Class B operated in the frequency range 935–960 MHz (paired)	\$3,414,318 for each MHz on which the service may be operated
13	PMTS Class C	\$41.86
14	Wireless audio system	\$41.86

## 12 Part 8 of Schedule 2 (table 802)

Omit the table, substitute:

Table 802

	Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Item	Significant urban area	FM/TV	AM
1	Melbourne	\$7,737	\$697
2	Sydney	\$7,705	\$693
3	Brisbane	\$3,900	\$351
4	Perth	\$3,256	\$293
5	Adelaide	\$2,115	\$190
6	Gold Coast – Tweed Heads	\$1,115	\$100
7	Newcastle – Maitland	\$779	\$70
8	Canberra – Queanbeyan	\$721	\$64
9	Sunshine Coast	\$549	\$49
10	Central Coast	\$520	\$47
11	Wollongong	\$481	\$43
12	Geelong	\$444	\$42
13	Hobart	\$339	\$41
14	Townsville	\$286	\$42
15	Cairns	\$243	\$42

## 13 Part 8A of Schedule 2 (table 802A)

Table 802A

Frequency range	Amount (\$) Area density				
	Australia wide	High density	Medium density	Low density	Remote density
MHz					
0-30	1.2317	1.2322	1.2340	1.2305	1.2285
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>17.3–31.3	0.0742	0.0198	0.0031	0.0003	0.0000
>31.3–51.4	0.0202	0.0108	0.0017	0.0001	0.0000
>51.4-100	0.0029	0.0003	0.0003	0.0000	0.0000
>100	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000

## 14 Part 9 of Schedule 2 (table 902)

#### Table 902

Item	Station	Amount (\$)
1	Amateur station	\$51.36
2	Limited coast marine rescue station	\$41.86
3	Limited coast non-assigned station	\$41.86
4	Outpost non-assigned station	\$41.86
5	Scientific non-assigned station	\$41.86
6	Ship station class B non-assigned	\$41.86
7	Ship station class C non-assigned	\$41.86
8	Sound outside broadcast station	\$41.86
9	Temporary fixed link station	\$2,331.90

## 15 Dictionary (definition of minimum annual amount)

Omit "\$41.37", substitute "\$41.86".