



# 1. RF Exposure Requirements

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## 1.1 General Information

### Client Information

Applicant: Descartes Systems Group Inc.  
Address of applicant: 105 Trafalgar Street, Floor 2, Nelson, Tasman 7010, New Zealand

Manufacturer: Descartes Systems Group Inc.  
Address of manufacturer: 105 Trafalgar Street, Floor 2, Nelson, Tasman 7010, New Zealand

### General Description of EUT:

Product Name: Pallet tag  
Trade Name: /  
Model No.: PLT005  
Adding Model(s): /  
Rated Voltage: DC3V  
Power Adapter: /  
FCC ID: 2A4F8-PLT005  
Equipment Type: Portable device

### Technical Characteristics of EUT:

#### Bluetooth

Bluetooth Version: V5.3 (BLE mode)  
Frequency Range: 2402-2480MHz  
RF Output Power: 1Mbps:3.68dBm (Conducted)  
2Mbps:3.68dBm (Conducted)  
Data Rate: 1Mbps, 2Mbps  
Modulation: GFSK  
Quantity of Channels: 40  
Channel Separation: 2MHz  
Type of Antenna: Mini Patch Antenna  
Antenna Gain: 3.5dBi



## 1.2 RF Exposure Exemption

According to §1.1307(b)(3) and KDB 447498 D04 Interim General RF Exposure Guidance v01, system operating under the provisions of this section shall be operating in a manner that the public is not exposed to radio frequency energy level in excess limit for maximum permissible exposure.

**Option A:** FCC Rule Part 1.1307 (b)(3)(i)(A): The available maximum time-averaged power is no more than 1mW, regardless of separation distance.

**Option B:** FCC Rule Part 1.1307 (b)(3)(i)(B): The available maximum time-averaged power or effective radiated power (ERP), whichever is greater, is less than or equal to the threshold  $P_{th}$  (mW) described in the following formula.  $P_{th}$  is given by:

$$P_{th} \text{ (mW)} = \begin{cases} ERP_{20 \text{ cm}} (d/20 \text{ cm})^x & d \leq 20 \text{ cm} \\ ERP_{20 \text{ cm}} & 20 \text{ cm} < d \leq 40 \text{ cm} \end{cases}$$

Where

$$x = -\log_{10} \left( \frac{60}{ERP_{20 \text{ cm}} \sqrt{f}} \right) \text{ and } f \text{ is in GHz;}$$

and

$$ERP_{20 \text{ cm}} \text{ (mW)} = \begin{cases} 2040f & 0.3 \text{ GHz} \leq f < 1.5 \text{ GHz} \\ 3060 & 1.5 \text{ GHz} \leq f \leq 6 \text{ GHz} \end{cases}$$

$d$  = the separation distance (cm);

**Option C:** FCC Rule Part 1.1307 (b)(3)(i)(C): The minimum separation distance (R in meters) from the body of a nearby person for the frequency (f in MHz) at which the source operates, the ERP (watts) is no more than the calculated value prescribed for that frequency. R must be at least  $\lambda/2\pi$ , where  $\lambda$  is the free-space operating wavelength in meters.

Single RF Sources Subject to Routine Environmental Evaluation	
RF Source frequency (MHz)	Threshold ERP (watts)
0.3-1.34	$1,920 R^2$
1.34-30	$3,450 R^2/f^2$
30-300	$3.83 R^2$
300-1,500	$0.0128 R^2 f$
1,500-100,000	$19.2 R^2$



**For Multiple RF sources:** FCC Rule Part 1.1307(b)(3)(ii):

- (A) The available maximum time-averaged power of each source is no more than 1 mW and there is a separation distance of two centimeters between any portion of a radiating structure operating and the nearest portion of any other radiating structure in the same device, except if the sum of multiple sources is less than 1 mW during the time-averaging period, in which case they may be treated as a single source (separation is not required).
- (B) In the case of fixed RF sources operating in the same time-averaging period, or of multiple mobile or portable RF sources within a device operating in the same time averaging period, if the sum of the fractional contributions to the applicable thresholds is less than or equal to 1 as indicated in the following equation.

$$\sum_{i=1}^a \frac{P_i}{P_{th,i}} + \sum_{j=1}^b \frac{ERP_j}{ERP_{th,j}} + \sum_{k=1}^c \frac{Evaluated_k}{Exposure Limit_k} \leq 1$$

### 1.3 Calculated Result

Radio Access Technology	Prediction Frequency (MHz)	Output Power (dBm)	Antenna Gain (dBi)	Duty Cycle (%)	Tune-Up Time-Averaged Power (dBm)	ERP (dBm)
Bluetooth	2402	3.68	3.5	100	4.00	5.35

Frequency (MHz)	Option	Min. Distance (cm)	Max. Power (dBm) (mW)		Exposure Limit (mW)	Ratio	Result (Pass/Fail)
2402	C	20.00	5.35	3.43	768.00	0.01	Pass

Note: 1. Time-Averaged Power=Output Power \* Duty Cycle; ERP= Time-Averaged Power+ Antenna gain-2.15dB

2. Option A, B and C refers as clause 1.2.

3. For option B, Max (time-averaged power, effective radiated power (ERP)) converts to Max. Power. For option C, ERP converts to Max. Power;

4. For option B, P<sub>th</sub> (mW) converts to Exposure Limit (mW); For option C, ERP (W) converts to Exposure Limit (mW).

5. Ratio= Tune-Up ERP (mW)/ Exposure Limit (mW)

#### Mode for Simultaneous Multi-band Transmission:

Radio Access Technology	Ratio 1	Ratio 2	Simultaneous Ratio	Limit	Result (Pass/Fail)
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Result: Pass