

Regulations for Selling and Using

Mobile Signal Repeaters

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Introduction

Communications and Information Technology Commission (CITC) has, by virtue of Telecommunications Act and its implementing regulations, the sole authority to regulate the communications and information technology sector in the Kingdom. This includes the licenses for frequency spectrum and communications and information technology devices.

Since the use of mobile communications signal boosters that are not licensed from CITC and do not comply with its technical specifications is against the Telecommunications Act and negatively impacts mobile communications network and service quality, CITC has issued this document to regulate the selling and use of mobile communications signal repeaters that is consistent with its technical specifications.

These controls aim at protecting mobile communications networks by regulating the selling and use of mobile communications signal repeaters that are compliant with the technical specifications of CITC.

Definitions

The terms and expressions defined in Telecommunications Act and the executive regulations thereof shall have the same meaning desginated to them therein when used herein. In addition, the words and phrases used herein shall have the following meanings:

Mobile Communications Signal Repeaters: Devices that amplify the mobile communications signal and work in accordance with technical specification no.(RI116) issued by CITC.

Users: The natural or legal persons using mobile communications signal repeaters.

Controls for Importing and Selling Mobile Communications Signal Repeaters

- Ensuring that the devices are compliant with technical specification no. (RI116) published on CITCs website, regarding frequency, Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC), and safety, without modifying the sepcifications.
- 2. Importing mobile communications signal repeaters shall be done via service providers licensed by CITC and manufacturers of mobile communications devices.
- 3. Mobile communications signal repeaters shall be certified and shall receive Declaration of Conformity (DoC) from CITC. The documents "Regulations for Importation and Licensing of Telecommunications and Information Technology Equipment" published on CITC's website contains all the conditions and procedures for the approval and clearance of IT and communications devices.

- 4. Mobile communications signal repeaters shall be sold only by mobile service providers licensed by CITC.
- 5. Mobile communications service providers licensed by CITC shall fill the information related to mobile communications signal repeaters' users, such as: name, device model and number, and installation location, and shall save such information.
- 6. Mobile communications service providers licensed by CITC shall educate the endusers regarding the effective use of mobile communications signal repeaters as well as device features and service quality.
- 7. Mobile communications service providers licensed by CITC shall perfectly and timely install signal repeaters in the right place, to ensure they will not affect other mobiler communications service providers.

Controls for Using Mobile Communications Signal Repeaters

- 1. No modifications shall be made to the technical specifications of mobile communications signal repeaters. Any such modification shall be deemed against Telecommunications Act.
- 2. If the repeaters cause any damage to the communications network in the Kingdom, the users of the mobile communication signal boosters shall cease such usage within the period defined by CITC. The service provider that sold the device shall make the necessary steps to address the damage within a month of the user's request.
- 3. In case the user desires to get rid of or assign the signal repeater to another user, the assigner shall coordinate with teh service provider that sold the device to cancel the registeration thereof. The assignee shall register the device information, including user name, device model and number, and installation location at any mobile communications service provider. In case of using the device without registeration, the user shall bear all the consequences of any damages resulting therefrom. In case the user needs to change the device location, s/he shall coordinate with the service provider that sold the device to register the new location.

General Provisions

1. The provisions of these controls shall enter into effect after ten days of approving the same. They shall be published on CITC's website(www.citc.gov.sa). The usage of such device shall also be

subject to Telecommunications Act, the decisions and guidelines of CITC and any other laws, procedures or instructions to be published in the future to regulate the usage of such devices and shall be published on CITC's website.

2. Any abuse of such devices shall be subject to the provisions of Telecommunications Act and any other relevant laws applicable in the Kingdom.

