
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1994 No. 2251

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

The Telecommunications (Leased Lines) (Amendment) Regulations 1994

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The Secretary of State, being a Minister designated⁽¹⁾ for the purposes of section 2(2) of the European Communities Act 1972⁽²⁾ in respect of measures relating to access to public telecommunication systems, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by that section and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby makes the following Regulations:—

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Telecommunications (Leased Lines) (Amendment) Regulations 1994 and shall come into force on 1st October 1994.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

- (a) ‘the principal Regulations’ means the Telecommunications (Leased Lines) Regulations 1993⁽³⁾; and
- (b) words or expressions used in these Regulations have, unless the context otherwise requires, the meaning which they bear in the principal Regulations.

Extension of principal Regulations in respect of European Economic Area

3.—(1) This regulation shall have effect for the purposes of extending the principal Regulations in respect of their application in respect of private circuits the network termination points of which are both or all situated within the European Economic Area⁽⁴⁾.

(1) S.I. 1992/2870.

(2) 1972 c. 68.

(3) S.I. 1993/2330, which implemented Council Directive 92/44/EEC on the application of open network provision to leased lines (OJNo. L165, 19.6.92, p. 27).

(4) The European Economic Area Agreement came into force on 1st January 1994 (see Decision 94/1 ECSC, EC; OJ No. L1, 3.1.94, p. 1). Decision No. 7/94 of the EEA Committee (OJ No. L160, 28.6.94, p. 1; the “Interim Acquis”) in Annex 10 (p.

- (2) The principal Regulations are hereby amended as follows—
- (a) in regulation 2—
- (i) the definition of “the Community” shall be deleted;
- (ii) after the definition of “the Directive” there shall be inserted the following definition—
- “the EEA” means the European Economic Area, and an “EEA State” means a State which is a Contracting Party to the EEA Agreement, but
- (a) until the EEA Agreement comes into force in relation to Liechtenstein—
- (i) the EEA shall not include Liechtenstein; and
- (ii) Liechtenstein shall not be taken to be an EEA State; and
- (b) for the purposes of the definition of “EEA State”, the Åland Islands (being not part of the EEA) shall not be taken to be part of Finland, and in this definition, “the EEA Agreement” means the Agreement on the European Economic Area signed at Oporto on 2nd May 1992 as adjusted by the Protocol signed at Brussels on 17th March 1993;”;
- (b) throughout the Regulations—
- (i) for a reference to “the Community” (including such a reference in the term “intra-Community”) there shall on each occasion that it occurs be substituted a reference to the EEA; and
- (ii) for a reference to “member State” (save in the reference to Council Directive [91/263/EEC](#)(5) in paragraph E of Schedule 1) there shall on each occasion that it occurs be substituted a reference to “EEA State”.
- (3) In the modifications to the BT licence, the Hull licence and the Mercury licence made by regulations 4, 5 and 6 respectively of the principal Regulations, for a reference to the “European Economic Community” there shall on each occasion that it occurs be substituted a reference to the “European Economic Area”, and the modifications made by this paragraph shall have effect as if they were made under section 12 of the 1984 Act by the Director.

Amendment of the minimum set of private circuits

4. For Schedule 2 to the principal Regulations, there shall be substituted(6) the Schedule set out in the Schedule to these Regulations.

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31st August 1994

76) extended Directive [92/44/EEC](#) to the European Economic Area (with certain adaptations which are not relevant for the purposes of these Regulations).

(5) OJ No. L128, 23.5.91, p. 1.

(6) Commission Decision [94/439/EC](#) (OJ No. L181, 15.7.94, p. 40) substitutes a new Annex II to Directive [92/44/EEC](#).

SCHEDULE

Regulation 4

SUBSTITUTED SCHEDULE 2 TO THE PRINCIPAL REGULATIONS

“SCHEDULE 2

Regulation 3(1)(b)

DEFINITION OF A MINIMUM SET OF PRIVATE CIRCUITS
WITH HARMONIZED TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

The definition of the minimum set of private circuits to be provided by BT pursuant to paragraph 46A.1 of the conditions of the BT licence and by Hull pursuant to paragraph 48A.1 of the conditions of the Hull licence shall be as follows—

Technical Characteristics ⁽¹⁾		
Private Circuit type	Interface presentation specification	Connection characteristics and performance specifications
Ordinary quality voice bandwidth	2 or 4 wire analogue	ITU-T M.1040
Special quality voice bandwidth	2 or 4 wire analogue	ITU-T M.1020/M.1025
64 kbit/s digital ⁽²⁾	ETS 300 288 ⁽³⁾ or X21 or X21(a)	ETS 300 289 ⁽⁴⁾
2 048 kbit/s digital unstructured ⁽⁵⁾	ETS 300 246 ⁽⁶⁾	ETS 300 247 ⁽⁷⁾

(1) The ITU-T recommendations referenced refer to the 1988 version.

(2) The attachment requirements for terminal equipment to be connected to these private circuits are described in Common Technical Regulation 14 (CTR 14).

(3) Until 31st December 1996 private circuits may be provided in accordance with ITU-T G.703 instead of ETS 300 288.

(4) Until 31st December 1996 private circuits may be provided in accordance with relevant G.800 series recommendations instead of ETS 300 289.

(5) The attachment requirements for terminal equipment to be connected to these private circuits are described in CTR 12.

(6) Until 31st December 1996 private circuits may be provided in accordance with ITU-T G.703 instead of ETS 300 246.

(7) Until 31st December 1996 private circuits may be provided in accordance with relevant ITU-T G.800 series recommendations instead of ETS 300 247.

For the types of private circuits listed above, the specifications referred to also define the network termination points (NTPs), in accordance with the definition given in Article 2 of Directive [90/387/EEC](#)(7).”.

(7) Council Directive [90/387/EEC](#) on the establishment of the internal market for telecommunications services through the implementation of open network provision (OJ No. L192, 24.7.90, p.1).

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the [Telecommunications \(Leased Lines\) Regulations 1993 \(S.I. No. 2330\)](#). Those Regulations implemented Council Directive [92/44/EEC](#) (the Leased Lines Directive).

The amending Regulations—

- (a) extend S.I. [1993/2330](#) as it applied to intra-Community leased lines to lines wholly situated within the European Economic Area; and
- (b) implement Commission Decision [94/439/EEC](#), which substitutes a new Annex II to the Leased Lines Directive, prescribing the harmonized technical characteristics of the minimum set of leased lines.