

**Telecommunications**

Cap. 282B.

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS (LICENCE FEES)  
REGULATIONS, 2003**

2003/78.  
2003/94.  
2003/99.  
2004/109.  
2005/75.  
2005/141.  
2006/92.  
2008/39.

**Authority:** These Regulations were made on 24th April, 2003 by the Minister under section 110(1) of the *Telecommunications Act*.

**Commencement:** 22nd May, 2003.

1. These Regulations may be cited as the *Telecommunications (Licence Fees) Regulations, 2003*.

2. In these Regulations,

"channel spacing" means the following:

VHF 12.5 KHz  
UHF 25 KHz  
SHF As per ITU-R Recommendations  
EHF as follows:

F383, F384, F385, F387  
F747, F497, F597, F636, F637;

"FRS" or Family Radio Service is a multi-user band using 14 channels at 462.5625 MHz to 467.7125 MHz with a maximum bandwidth of 12.5 KHz and channel spacing of 25 KHz;

"ISM Band" means

902-000 – 928.000 MHz  
2.4000 – 2.4835 GHz  
5.725 – 5.850 GHz

operating under 1 watt output power, unless specifically approved by the Ministry.

2003/94. **3.** The fees payable on an application for and the issue of  
(a) a spectrum licence under sections 11, 23 and 44 of the Act; and  
(b) a special spectrum licence under section 46 of the Act  
in respect of the use of the electromagnetic spectrum in Barbados are  
those set out in Parts I and II of the *First Schedule* respectively.

First  
Schedule.

2003/94. **4.** (1) The fees payable on an application for the issue of the  
following licences are those provided in Part I of the *Second  
Schedule*:

Second  
Schedule.  
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2003/94. (a) a carrier licence referred to in paragraph (a) of section 10(1);  
(b) a service provider licence referred to in paragraph (b) of  
section 10(1);  
(c) a dealers licence referred to in paragraph (d) of section 10(1);  
and  
(d) a VSAT licence referred to in paragraph (e) of section 10(1).

2003/94.

(2) The fees payable on application for the certification of  
standards referred to in section 51(1) for

2003/94. (a) technicians;  
(b) customer equipment, including plugs and jacks; and  
(c) wiring connected to the public telecommunications network  
are those provided in Part II of the *Second Schedule*.

**5.** The fees payable under these Regulations in respect of the issue  
of a licence referred to in these Regulations shall be for a period of  
one year or part thereof, and are renewable annually in accordance  
with section 13 of the Act.

**5A.** The following fee is payable in respect of any application by a licensee in respect of

a modification of any licence issued under the Act ... .. \$500.00 per application.

**6.** The annual fees payable in respect of the frequency used in Fixed Satellite Earth Stations shall be calculated in the manner set out in Part III of the *First Schedule*.

First  
Schedule.

**7.** (1) The following fee is payable for inspection of Registers in respect of

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|--------------------------|-----|-----|---------|
| (a) radiocommunications; | ... | ... | \$10.00 |
| (b) telecommunications;  | ... | ... | \$10.00 |
| (c) spectrum             | ... | ... | \$10.00 |

for each inspection.

(2) The following fee is payable for

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| (a) inspection of a Spectrum Plan; and | ... | \$10.00  |
| (b) a copy of a Spectrum Plan          | ... | \$10.00. |

**8.** All application fees are non-refundable.

**9.** All fees payable under these Regulations are payable to the Chief Telecommunications Officer by cash or cheque.

FIRST SCHEDULE

*(Regulation 3)*

PART I

APPLICATION FEES FOR USE OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM  
IN PUBLIC OR PRIVATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<b>Spectrum Frequencies</b>	<b>Application Fee payable per frequency</b>
1. All Spectrum Frequencies for Networks other than those specified in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6) with a bandwidth	
(a) of 25 KHz or less	\$ 200.00
(b) of more than 25 KHz but less than 500 KHz	\$ 500.00
(c) of 500 KHz or more but less than 1 MHz	\$ 1 200.00
(d) of 1 MHz or more but less than 20 MHz	\$ 3 000.00
(e) of 20 MHz or more	\$ 6 000.00
2. Satellite Downlink Frequencies	\$ 600.00 per band
3. Special Spectrum Licence Pool Frequencies	\$ 50.00 for maximum use of 10 days
4. Fixed Satellite Earth Station	\$ 500.00

(Regulation 3)

PART II

ANNUAL FEES FOR USE OF ELECTROMAGNETIC SPECTRUM IN  
PUBLIC OR PRIVATE TELECOMMUNICATIONS

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>
<b>Electromagnetic Spectrum</b>	<b>Annual Fee Payable per frequency</b>
1. Frequencies for Networks and Systems:	
(a) exclusive use with a bandwidth:	
(i) of less than 1 MHz ... ..	\$500.00 per 25KHz of occupied bandwidth or part thereof
(ii) of 1 MHz or more ... ..	\$20 000.00 for the first MHz of occupied bandwidth, and \$500.00 per subsequent MHz of occupied bandwidth or part thereof
(b) shared use with a bandwidth:	
(i) of less than 300 KHz ... ..	\$200.00 per 25KHz of occupied bandwidth or part thereof
(ii) of 300 KHz or more but less than 20MHz ... ..	\$4 000.00
(iii) of 20MHz or more ... ..	\$8 000.00
2. Satellite Downlink Frequencies ... ..	\$ 600.00

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<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>	
<b>Electromagnetic Spectrum</b>	<b>Annual Fee payable per frequency</b>	
3. Common Frequencies for In-Building or On-site Wireless Systems with a bandwidth:	ISM Band	Non ISM Band
(a) of 20MHz or less ... ..	\$100.00	\$200.00
(b) of more or less than 20MHz but not exceeding 50MHz ... ..	\$200.00	\$400.00
(c) of more than 50MHz ... ..	\$300.00	\$600.00
4. Block of Assigned Frequencies for Multi-channel Radiocommunication networks and systems	\$ 20.00	
5. Maritime Band (Fishing Boats only)	}	NIL
6. Amateur Band		
7. Government Entities		
8. CERO		
9. CDERA		
10. United Nations		
11. Embassies or High Commissions		
12. Family Radio Service (FRS)		
13. Emergency Services		
14. Fees for Special Spectrum Licence		
2006/92. 15. Trunking Networks	\$200 per pair of frequencies (transmit and receive)	

(Regulation 6)

PART III

ANNUAL FEES FOR USE OF FIXED SATELLITE  
EARTH STATIONS

The following formula will be used to calculate the annual fees per transmitter or carrier Frequency:

$$K_1 \log_{10} [P_{nom} \text{ Watts}/25\text{Watts}] + (K_2 \log_{10} (P_{tot} - 1000)/25\text{Watts}) \times [BW(\text{KHz}/8.5)] \times 500$$

where

- (a)  $k_1 = 1$  for the first 1KW of radiated carrier
- (b)  $K_2 = 0.2$  for additional power above 1KW
- (c) 25 watts is the maximum power allowable for VHF base stations
- (d) 8.5 KHz is the maximum allowable RF Bandwidth for VHF Base Stations
- (e)  $P_{nom}$  is the nominal transmitter power
- (f)  $P_{tot}$  is the effective isotropically radiated power
- (g) Bandwidth is the width of the frequency band that is just sufficient to ensure the transmission of information at a rate and with the quality acceptable under certain conditions.
- (h) BW is the Bandwidth in Kilo-Hertz

Unit Fee = 500, as \$500 is the unit Spectrum Fee for a 8.5 KHz band in Barbados

Application Fee ... .. \$500.00

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SECOND SCHEDULE

(Regulation 4(1))

PART I

LICENCE FEES PAYABLE IN RESPECT OF SERVICES  
SPECIFIED UNDER SECTION 10(1)(a), (b) and (c)

**1. VALUE ADDED SERVICES IN RESPECT OF AN INDIVIDUAL  
LICENCE OF A SERVICE PROVIDER**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Resale of Leased Circuit Services	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
International Simple Resale	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
Public Internet Access Service	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
Internet Exchange Services	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
Virtual Private Network Services	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
Managed Data Network Services	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
Bandwidth Capacity Exchange Services	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
Backhaul Bandwidth Capacity Services	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
Other New Types of Value Added Services	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
Backhaul Bandwidth Capacity Services	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
Store-and-Forward (S&F) VAS	NIL	\$ 100.00
Live Audiotex Services	NIL	\$ 200.00 every 3 years



**2. INTERNATIONAL, MOBILE, FIXED WIRELESS, VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL AND FIXED SERVICE AND NETWORK PROVIDERS** 2006/92.

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
International & Mobile	\$5 000	\$750 000 for the first year and thereafter 3% of *adjusted revenue for licensable activity or \$750 000, whichever is greater
International (new)	\$5 000	\$375 000 for the first year and, thereafter, 1.5% of *adjusted revenue for licensable activity or \$375 000, whichever is greater
Fixed	\$5 000	\$375 000 for the first year and thereafter 1.5% of *adjusted revenue for licensable activity or \$375 000, whichever is greater
Fixed Wireless	\$5 000	\$20 000 for the first year and thereafter 1.5% of *adjusted revenue for licensable activity or \$375 000, whichever is greater
Class 1 Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP)	\$5 000	\$375 000 for the first year and, thereafter, 1.5% of *adjusted revenue for licensable activity or \$375 000, whichever is greater
Class 2 Secondary Line Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP)	\$2 500	\$187 500 for the first year and, thereafter, 0.75% of *adjusted revenue for licensable activity or \$187 500, whichever is greater

\*To be adjusted for interconnection charges paid to any carrier.

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**3. VALUE ADDED SERVICE IN RESPECT OF A PROVIDER'S CLASS LICENCE**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Callback or Call Re-Origination Service <sup>1</sup>	NIL	\$100.00
Internet-based Voice or Data Services <sup>1</sup>	NIL	\$100.00
Store-and-Retrieve (S&R) VAN Services <sup>1</sup>	NIL	NIL
International Calling Card (ICC) Services <sup>1</sup>	NIL	\$100.00
Audiotex Services <sup>1</sup>	NIL	\$100.00

**4. LAND MOBILE RADIO-COMMUNICATION SERVICES**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
<b>Public Telecommunications:</b>		
Base or Fixed Station ... ..	NIL	\$ 72.00
Mobile or Handportable Station ...	NIL	\$ 54.00
Repeaters ... ..	NIL	\$600.00
2004/109. Commercial Trunked Radio-communication Networks Licence	\$500	\$10 000 or 0.5% of AGTO of business whichever is greater.
Commercial Trunked Radio-communications Services Licence		
Wide Area Public Network Licence	\$100.00	\$1 000.00 per group of 50 stations or part thereof (for portable or mobile stations). \$200.00 per base or repeater station

<sup>1</sup> Not allowed until Phase III.  
AGTO means Annual Gross Turn over

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<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Local Area Public Network Licence ...	\$50.00	\$200.00 per network (portable or mobile stations) \$200.00 per base or repeater station
<b>Private Telecommunications:</b>		
Private Radio Communication		
Trunking Networks (Private) ... ..	\$50.00	NIL
Private Two Way Radio Networks		
(a) Family Radio Service		
(b) General Mobile Radio Services ...	\$20.00	NIL
Private Paging Service	NIL	\$ 50.00
Radio Telephone	NIL	\$ 180.00
Public Paging Service (Public)		
1 – 10 Units	NIL	\$ 300.00
10 – 100 Units	NIL	\$ 600.00
101 – and over Units	NIL	\$1 200.00

**5. WIDE AREA AND LOCAL AREA NETWORKS**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
<b>Private Telecommunications:</b>		
Wide Area Private Network Licences	\$50.00	\$50.00 per group of 50 stations or part thereof (for portable or mobile stations). \$100.00 per base or repeater station
Local Area Private Network Licence	\$20.00	\$100.00 per network (portable or mobile stations) \$ 50.00 per base or repeater station

**6. TELECOMMUNICATION ACCESS BUREAU SERVICE PROVIDERS**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
(1) Cyber-Cafes		
(2) Telephone Bureau	\$300.00	NIL
(3) Multipurpose Community Telecentres (MCTs)		

**7. FIXED AND MOBILE SATELLITE SERVICES VERY SMALL APERTURE TERMINALS (VSAT)**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Public Commercial Satellite Uplink Downlink Gateway Services ... ..	\$500.00	1% of AGTO of Business or \$20 000.00 whichever is greater
Commercial VSAT Network Operator	\$300.00	1% of AGTO plus \$300.00 per VSAT

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<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
GMPCS Service Providers ... ..	\$ 30.00	1% of AGTO of the business
GMPCS Terminals ... ..	\$ 30.00	NIL
Interactive VSAT Terminal ... ..	\$ 30.00	\$3 000.00 per VSAT
VSAT Terminal for Radio, Determination and Related Services ... ..	\$ 30.00	\$ 150.00 per VSAT
Satellite-based Paging Network and Services ... ..	\$300.00	\$3 000.00
VSAT (Internet Application)	\$500.00	1% of the AGTO or \$20 000.00, whichever is greater 2005/141.
VSAT Terminal for Space Research and Related Services ... ..	\$ 30.00	\$1 500.00 per VSAT
VSAT for Amateur Satellite Services	\$ 30.00	\$ 150.00 per VSAT
VSAT (Downlink for Broadcast reception only) ... ..	\$100.00	\$1 000.00 per VSAT
Private Telecommunications		
Private VSAT Network or Operator	\$ 50.00	\$3 000.00 per VSAT

Note: Until the Ministry outlines the policy for the use of VSAT (Very Small Aperture Terminals), (VSAT) is to be used for Call Centre business only, with no interconnection or bypassing of Cable & Wireless International Network until Phase III.

**8. PUBLIC DATA COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE AND NETWORK PROVIDERS** 2004/109.

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Public Data Communications Network Licences	\$300.00	1% of the AGTO or \$20 000 whichever is greater
Public Data Communications Network Licences		

**9. PRIVATE FIXED TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Private Fixed Telecommunications Network Services ... ..	\$300.00	\$30 000.00

**10. INTERNET BACKBONE SERVICES**

Internet Services ... ..	\$500.00	1% of the AGTO or \$20 000.00 whichever is greater
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**11. SPECIAL PURPOSE STATION**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Special Purpose Station Services ...	\$100.00	\$30.00

**12. AERONAUTICAL AND SHIP STATIONS**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
<b>Aeronautical</b>		
(a) Mobile Aircraft Station ...	NIL	\$400.00
(b) Aircraft Ground Station ...	NIL	\$200.00
<b>Ship</b>		
Motor Vessels (over 16 metres) ...	NIL	\$180.00
Fishing Vessels (up to 16 metres)	NIL	\$ 20.00
Non-fishing Vessels (up to 16 metres) ... ..	NIL	\$ 60.00
Coast (Fixed) Stations ... ..	NIL	\$200.00

**13. CITIZENS BAND, MODEL, SATELLITE TV, RADIO AMATEUR**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>	
<b>Citizens Band</b>			
Base ... ..	NIL	\$ 60.00	
Mobile or Handportable ... ..		\$ 45.00	
<b>Models</b>			
Aeroplanes, Boats, Racing Cars, Trains	NIL	\$ 30.00	
Radio Amateur ... ..	NIL	\$ 30.00 initially then \$15.00 per supplementary endorsement	
<b>Satellite TV Antenna</b>			
(1) Domestic Use ... ..	NIL	\$500.00 for life of the user <sup>1</sup>	
(2) Commercial Use ... ..	NIL	\$600.00 per Antenna	
Cellular Telephones ... ..	NIL	NIL	2005/141.

<sup>1</sup> Domestic Users of Satellite TV Antenna should note that persons who have paid this sum do not have to make any further payments, as they are considered licensed for life. Domestic users are permitted one Antenna per household.

(Regulation 4(2))

PART II

**APPLICATION FEES FOR RADIO COMMUNICATIONS  
 APPARATUS AND RADIO COMMUNICATIONS  
 EQUIPMENT**

**14. SELLERS AND DEALERS**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
(1) Class ... ..	NIL	\$100.00 for 5 years
(2) Individual ... ..	NIL	\$600.00 for sales up to \$2 000.00 \$1 200.00 for sales greater than \$2 000.00

**15. VIDEO CLUBS**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Video Clubs ... ..	NIL	\$600.00

**16. SERVICE PROVIDER LICENCES IN RESPECT OF WIDE AND LOCAL AREA NETWORKS**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Wide Area ... ..	\$500.00	\$20 000.00 or
Local Area	\$500.00	1% of AGTO of Business whichever is the greater



**17. POINT-TO-MULTIPOINT AND POINT-TO-POINT LINKS,  
MICROWAVE RADIO RELAY LINKS, STUDIO-TO-TX**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
(1) Point-to-Multipoint Links		
(a) Unidirectional ... ..	\$ 50.00	\$1 000.00
(b) Bidirectional ... ..	\$ 50.00	\$ 100.00
(2) Point-to-Point Links		
(a) Microwave Radio Relay Links ... ..	\$500.00	
(b) Studio (STLs)-to-Transmitter (TX) Links		Bandwith (B/W) of 1MHz to less than 5MHz: \$4 000.00
		"of 5MHz to less than 10MHz: \$8 000.00
		"of 10MHz to less than 15MHz: \$20 000.00
		"of 15MHz to less than 20MHz: \$28 000.00
		"of 20MHz to less than 25MHz: \$34 000.00
		"of 25MHz to less than 30MHz: \$40 000.00
		"of 30MHz to less than 40MHz: \$48 000.00
		"40MHz and greater \$60 000.00

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**18. CUSTOMER EQUIPMENT**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Equipment Certification	NIL	\$ 20.00 per Certificate
Installer Certification	NIL	\$100.00 initially for 5 years and then \$ 50.00 every 5 years
Inside Wiring Contractor	NIL	\$500.00 every 5 years

2003/94. **19. CENTRAL OFFICE CODE - NUMBERING**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Central Office Code - Numbering	NIL	\$200.00 per Code

2006/92. **20. SUBMARINE CABLE SERVICES PROVIDERS**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Service Provider to lease circuits wholesale to other licensed international carriers on broadcasters	NIL	\$30,000

2006/92. **21. DOMAIN NAME ADMINISTRATION**

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Top level domain name "bb" administration	NIL	\$120 per domain name

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**22. VOICE OVER INTERNET PROTOCOL (VoIP)**

2006/92.

<i>Category of Licence</i>	<i>Application Fee</i>	<i>Annual Operating Fee</i>
Cyber Cafés - up to 30 computer stations or VoIP equipment	NIL	\$100
Cyber Cafés - greater than 30 computer stations or VoIP equipment	NIL	\$187 500 for the first year and thereafter 0.75% of *adjusted revenue for licensable activity or \$187 500, whichever is greater.

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\*To be adjusted for interconnection charges paid to any carrier.