

EUROPEAN RADIOCOMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

ERC Decision
of 23 November 1998
on free circulation and
use of PMR 446 equipment in
CEPT member countries enlarging the field
of application of ERC/DEC/(95)01

(ERC/DEC/(98)27)



EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1 INTRODUCTION

The ERC/DEC(95)01 identifies three levels of free circulation of radio equipment in CEPT member countries as follows:

1. free circulation without permission of using the radio equipment;
2. free circulation with permission of using the radio equipment;
3. free circulation with the permission of placing the radio equipment on the market.

The ERC/DEC/(95)01 only covers levels 1 and 2 on free circulation of GSM and DECT mobile equipment, Omnitrac terminals for the Euteltracs system, Inmarsat-C terminals, Inmarsat-M terminals and PR-27 mobile stations.

This new Decision, however, deals with only the level two of free circulation since level one is already covered by ERC/DEC/(95)01.

2 BACKGROUND

It is a general aim of the European Radiocommunications Committee (ERC) to facilitate the free circulation of radio equipment.

The aim of this Decision is to allow the free circulation of PMR 446 equipment in the same way as ERC/DEC/(95)01 does for the radio equipment categories identified therein.

Separate Decisions have been made for free circulation and use of other categories of equipment.

3 REQUIREMENT FOR AN ERC DECISION

According to the ERC Rules of Procedure, an ERC Decision cannot be amended without abrogating the existing one. Therefore, there is a need for a separate ERC Decision to allow for free circulation and use of PMR 446 equipment.

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The European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations,

considering:

- a) that ERC/DEC/(95)01 provides for free circulation and use of a limited number of radio equipment categories;
- b) that PMR 446 equipment shall operate within the 446.000-446.100 MHz band providing short range voice communications;
- c) that PMR 446 equipment complying with ETS 300 296 also fulfil the conditions for free circulation and use under the general principles of ERC/DEC/(95)01;

DECIDES:

- 1. that administrations allow the free circulation and use of PMR 446 equipment as defined in ERC/DEC/(98)25 under the same conditions, in the same form and following the same procedures as laid down in ERC/DEC/(95)01;
- 2. that this Decision shall enter into force by 1 December 1998;
- 3. that administrations shall communicate the national measures implementing this Decision to the ERC Chairman and the ERO when the Decision is nationally implemented.

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As of 15 February 1999 the following CEPT Members have committed themselves to apply the terms of this Decision:

Croatia
Denmark
Estonia
Finland
Germany
Iceland
Netherlands
Spain
Turkey
United Kingdom

After 15 February 1999 the following CEPT Members have committed themselves to apply the terms of this Decision:

Belgium
Czech Republic
Ireland
Switzerland

Note:

Please check the ERO web site (<http://www.ero.dk>) for the up to date position on the implementation of this and other ERC Decisions.