

Radiocommunication Bureau (BR)

Circular Letter
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To Administrations of Member States of the ITU

Subject: Web-based distribution of the BR IFIC (Space services)

The BR International Frequency Information Circular (BR IFIC) - Space Services - is a service publication currently on DVD-ROM. It contains particulars of frequency allotments and assignments to space services and is published by the Radiocommunication Bureau (Bureau) in the six official languages of the ITU once every two weeks.

The purpose of this Circular Letter is to provide information and guidance to administrations on a new complementary service based on web interface and on-line distribution of the BR IFIC (Space services) in ISO format.

After successful testing and in addition to the DVD-ROM format, the Bureau is pleased to provide to administrations and all other users (subscribers) a secure web based distribution of the BR IFIC (Space services) in a compressed ISO image file format.

This new form of distribution will allow administrations and all other users to have access to the BR IFIC (Space services) publications and data after download, without any delay, on the BR IFIC publication date and to offer a secure local reproduction of the BR IFIC (Space services) DVD-ROM.

The data inside the ISO image will be the <u>exact copy</u> of the BR IFIC (Space services) on DVD-ROM and structured according to the file system used on the original DVD-ROM. In this regard for all BR IFIC (Space services) edition 2014 in ISO format, a SHA-1 checksum file will also be posted to provide to all users an unambiguous verification that the downloaded BR IFIC (Space services) ISO file is identical with the master copy distributed on the DVD-ROM. For more information see the BR support page at: http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/space-brific/en

Administrations and all other users are informed that in case of any regulatory dispute the original BR IFIC (Space services) on DVD-ROM shall prevail against the downloaded version of the BR IFIC (Space services) in ISO format and a local copy of the DVD-ROM created from this ISO file.

The new web based service - distribution of the BR IFIC (Space services) in ISO format is offered from the ITU Electronic Bookshop at: http://www.itu.int/pub/R-SP-LN/en as of the date of the publication of the present Circular Letter.

This is a <u>complementary service</u> to the current publication and distribution of the BR IFIC (Space services) on DVD-ROM (Publication Notice No. **283-13**, edition 2014). In this regard, the rules and rates applied are those of the current BR IFIC (Space services) on DVD-ROM.

Administrations and all other users wishing to have on-line access to the BR IFIC (Space services) in ISO format requested to contact the ITU Sales and marketing division are +41 22 730 5659, fax +41 22 730 (contact: Mr. Dale Madsen, telephone 5194. www.itu.int/publications or e-mail: sales@itu.int) for the necessary registration form for eventual ITU Electronic Bookshop access. The registration form will also be sent with a future edition of the BR IFIC (Space services) DVD-ROM.

Administrations and all other users are also reminded that the Bureau maintains a support website – with wizards, useful information and "frequently asked questions" – that is designed to assist all users with the utilization of the new BR IFIC (Space services) in ISO format at: http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/go/space-brific/en.

A similar approach is being implemented with the BR IFIC (Terrestrial Services). Administrations will be informed through a separate Circular Letter (CR/361).

The Bureau remains at the disposal of your Administration via the <u>brmail@itu.int</u> address for any clarification you may require with respect to the subjects covered in this Circular Letter.

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