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## **To Administrations of Member States of the ITU**

**Subject:** Rules of Procedure approved by the Radio Regulations Board

**References:** Appendix 18 to the Radio Regulations

### **To the Director-General**

Dear Madam/Sir,

1 Pursuant to the provisions of Nos. 13.12 and 13.14 of the Radio Regulations, the Radio Regulations Board (RRB) at its 49th meeting (1-5 December 2008) approved new or modified Rules of Procedure.

2 The new Rules of Procedure concerning Appendix 18 (Rev.WRC-07) to the Radio Regulations dealing with the Table of transmitting frequencies in the VHF maritime mobile band are included in the Annex.

3 The Bureau remains at the disposal of administrations for any further information and clarifications that may be needed in respect to this matter.

Yours faithfully,

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Director, Radiocommunication Bureau

**Annex:** Rules concerning Appendix 18 to the Radio Regulations (included in the Rules of Procedure – Edition 2009)

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ANNEX

**Rules concerning**

**APPENDIX 18 to the RR**

WRC-07 revised Appendix 18 and modified the scope of application of several channels listed in Appendix 18 (Rev.WRC-07). Such modification was carried out, *inter alia*, on channels 01, 07, 19, 20, 21, 60, 66, 78, 79, 80 and 81, by adding the specific note “*m*” against these channels, which indicates: “These channels may be operated as single frequency channels, subject to coordination with affected administrations”. The mention of note “*m*” against a given channel in the Table of transmitting frequencies in Appendix 18 is normally associated with the symbol “x” in the column “Single frequency”. However, WRC-07 omitted the indication “x” in the column “Single frequency” against channels 01, 07, 19, 20, 21, 60, 66, 78, 79, 80 and 81, although it added the note “*m*” against these channels.

Thus, the RRB considers that all channels to which the note “*m*” applies may be operated as single frequency channels and has placed the symbol “x\*” in the appropriate locations of the table below, which appears to have been unintentionally omitted in the Radio Regulations by WRC-07.

**Table of transmitting frequencies in the  
VHF maritime mobile band**

(See Appendix 18 (Rev.WRC-07))

Channel designator	Notes	Transmitting frequencies (MHz)		Inter-ship	Port operations and ship movement		Public correspondence
		From ship stations	From coast stations		Single frequency	Two frequency	
60	<i>m), o)</i>	156.025	160.625		x*	x	x
01	<i>m), o)</i>	156.050	160.650		x*	x	x
61	<i>m), o)</i>	156.075	160.675		x	x	x
02	<i>m), o)</i>	156.100	160.700		x	x	x
62	<i>m), o)</i>	156.125	160.725		x	x	x
03	<i>m), o)</i>	156.150	160.750		x	x	x
63	<i>m), o)</i>	156.175	160.775		x	x	x
04	<i>m), o)</i>	156.200	160.800		x	x	x
64	<i>m), o)</i>	156.225	160.825		x	x	x
05	<i>m), o)</i>	156.250	160.850		x	x	x
65	<i>m), o)</i>	156.275	160.875		x	x	x
06	<i>f)</i>	156.300		x			
66	<i>m), o)</i>	156.325	160.925		x*	x	x
07	<i>m), o)</i>	156.350	160.950		x*	x	x
67	<i>h)</i>	156.375	156.375	x	x		
08		156.400		x			
68		156.425	156.425		x		
09	<i>i)</i>	156.450	156.450	x	x		
69		156.475	156.475	x	x		

Channel designator	Notes	Transmitting frequencies (MHz)		Inter-ship	Port operations and ship movement		Public correspondence
		From ship stations	From coast stations		Single frequency	Two frequency	
10	<i>h), q)</i>	156.500	156.500	x	x		
70	<i>f), j)</i>	156.525	156.525	Digital selective calling for distress, safety and calling			
11	<i>q)</i>	156.550	156.550		x		
71		156.575	156.575		x		
12		156.600	156.600		x		
72	<i>i)</i>	156.625		x			
13	<i>k)</i>	156.650	156.650	x	x		
73	<i>h), i)</i>	156.675	156.675	x	x		
14		156.700	156.700		x		
74		156.725	156.725		x		
15	<i>g)</i>	156.750	156.750	x	x		
75	<i>n)</i>	156.775	156.775		x		
16	<i>f)</i>	156.800	156.800	DISTRESS, SAFETY AND CALLING			
76	<i>n)</i>	156.825	156.825		x		
17	<i>g)</i>	156.850	156.850	x	x		
77		156.875		x			
18	<i>m)</i>	156.900	161.500		x	x	x
78	<i>m)</i>	156.925	161.525		x*	x	x
19	<i>m)</i>	156.950	161.550		x*	x	x
79	<i>m)</i>	156.975	161.575		x*	x	x
20	<i>m)</i>	157.000	161.600		x*	x	x
80	<i>m)</i>	157.025	161.625		x*	x	x
21	<i>m)</i>	157.050	161.650		x*	x	x
81	<i>m)</i>	157.075	161.675		x*	x	x
22	<i>m)</i>	157.100	161.700		x	x	x
82	<i>m), o)</i>	157.125	161.725		x	x	x
23	<i>m), o)</i>	157.150	161.750		x	x	x
83	<i>m), o)</i>	157.175	161.775		x	x	x
24	<i>m), o)</i>	157.200	161.800		x	x	x
84	<i>m), o)</i>	157.225	161.825		x	x	x
25	<i>m), o)</i>	157.250	161.850		x	x	x
85	<i>m), o)</i>	157.275	161.875		x	x	x
26	<i>m), o)</i>	157.300	161.900		x	x	x
86	<i>m), o)</i>	157.325	161.925		x	x	x
27		157.350	161.950			x	x
87		157.375	157.375		x		
28		157.400	162.000			x	x
88		157.425	157.425		x		
AIS 1	<i>f), l), p)</i>	161.975	161.975				
AIS 2	<i>f), l), p)</i>	162.025	162.025				

\* Note: Added by the RRB until the necessary action is taken by a future WRC.