

SCHEDULE 1, PARAGRAPHS 6 AND 7 OF THE WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ACT 2006 – NOTICE OF VARIATION TO A WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY ACT LICENCE

1. In accordance with Schedule 1, paragraphs 6(b) and 7(10) and (11) of the Wireless Telegraphy Act 2006 (as amended - "the Act") and Clause 4(3) of the Amateur Radio Licence, ("the Licence"), we have made a decision to vary the Licence, as described below.
2. On 24th April 2015 Ofcom notified certain Licence holders of its proposals to vary the Licence, as set out in the Annex to that Notification ("the First Notification"). The reason that Ofcom proposed to vary the Licence was to give effect to:
 - 2.1. The policy Statement, *Public Sector Spectrum Release* ("the PSSR Statement"), published on 7th April 2014, setting out Ofcom's decisions to remove certain frequency bands from all Amateur Radio Licences¹; and
 - 2.2. The policy Statement, *Updating the Amateur Radio Licence*, ("the Amateur Radio Statement"), published on 5th December 2014, setting out Ofcom's decisions further to update the Amateur Radio Licence².
3. Further, in relation to the decision in the PSSR Statement to vary Tables B and C of the Licence, Ofcom also proposed to vary the Table in Schedule 2 of the Licence (Additional restrictions which apply to the Unattended Operation of Beacons) by removing access to the 2350 to 2390 and 3410 to 3475 MHz frequency bands. This was to ensure consistency across the Licence and to facilitate public sector spectrum release by the Ministry of Defence, as set out in the PSSR Statement.
4. Licence holders had one month in which to make representations on Ofcom's proposals to vary the Licence. The First Notification was issued on 24th April 2015. The deadline for receiving representations was therefore 25th May 2015.
5. Ofcom did not receive any representations in relation to the proposals set out in the First Notification.
6. Ofcom now gives Notification in accordance with Schedule 1, paragraphs 6(b), 7(10) and (7)(11) of the Act, and in accordance with Clause 4(3) of the Licence, of its decision to vary the Licence as set out in Annex A to this Notification.
7. The reason that Ofcom is varying the Licence is to give effect to the decisions contained in the Statements set out at paragraph 2 above. These Statements have both been made following public consultations undertaken by Ofcom in relation to the policy matters contained therein.
8. Ofcom shall now re-issue the Licence(s) to you with the relevant variations included. Where we have an e-mail address for you, we shall send the Licence(s) to you by e-mail. Otherwise, we shall send the Licence(s) to you by post.
9. The variations to the Licence shall take immediate effect.

¹ <http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/consultations/public-sector-spectrum-release/?a=0>.

² <http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/consultations/amateur-radio-licence>