

We are strictly against the Ofcom consultation “Manually Configurable White Space Devices”.

The reasons are:

1. The EN 301 598 clearly requires a database with automatic configuration for the operational parameters for the WSD. Doing the configuration manually, even for a short transition time, abrogates the standard.
2. If it is really necessary to operate a, for example, fixed installed WSD outside the accepted standard, Ofcom can grant an individual site license. By this Ofcom is also responsible that other existing spectrum users are protected against interference.
3. The Ofcom policy shown here is contrary to those followed by Ofcom in the Wi-Fi discussions with the aim to reduce every option for manual configuration.

Due to these reasons we do not see any further need in answering the public consultation.

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