



Radiocommunications (Spectrum Re-allocation—3.6 GHz Band for Regional Australia) Declaration 2018

Radiocommunications Act 1992

I, MITCH FIFIELD, Minister for Communications, having had regard to a recommendation given to me by the Australian Communications and Media Authority under subsection 153F(1) of the *Radiocommunications Act 1992*, make the following declaration.

Dated 5 March 2018

MITCH FIFIELD
Minister for Communications

1 Name

This is the *Radiocommunications (Spectrum Re-allocation—3.6 GHz Band for Regional Australia) Declaration 2018*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after it is registered.

3 Authority

This instrument is made under subsection 153B(1) of the *Radiocommunications Act 1992*.

4 Interpretation

- Note 1: A number of expressions used in this instrument are defined in the Act, including the following:
- (a) ACMA;
 - (b) re-allocation deadline;

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- (c) re-allocation period;
- (d) spectrum;
- (e) spectrum licence;
- (f) spectrum re-allocation declaration.

Note 2: See also section 5, in relation to re-allocation deadline and re-allocation period.

- (1) In this instrument:

Act means the *Radiocommunications Act 1992*.

Hierarchical Cell Identification Scheme or **HCIS** means the Hierarchical Cell Identification Scheme used as part of the Australian Spectrum Map Grid 2012 document published by the ACMA on its website, as the document existed at the time this instrument was made.

- (2) In this instrument, a reference to a part of the spectrum includes all frequencies that are greater than the lower frequency, up to and including the higher frequency.

5 Spectrum re-allocation

- (1) The part of the spectrum from 3575 MHz to 3700 MHz is subject to re-allocation under Part 3.6 of the Act:
- (a) by issuing spectrum licences under Subdivision B of Division 1 of Part 3.2 of the Act (see section 153L of the Act); and
 - (b) with respect to the named area in the table in subsection (3).
- (2) For this spectrum re-allocation declaration:
- (a) the **re-allocation period** is the period of 7 years beginning at the start of the 21st day after this instrument commences; and
 - (b) the **re-allocation deadline** is the end of the day before the first anniversary of the start of the re-allocation period.
- (3) The area (**named area**) referred to in column 1 in the following table is to be ascertained as the composite of the areas, described using identifiers from the Hierarchical Cell Identification Scheme, set out in column 2.

Note 1: The HCIS is a naming convention for areas on the Australian Spectrum Map Grid 2012 (ASMG), which is a system used by the ACMA to define geographic areas for radiocommunications licensing. A document describing the ASMG and HCIS, as well as spatial datasets describing each HCIS area could, at the time this instrument was made, be found on the ACMA's website (<http://www.acma.gov.au>).

Note 2: A tool to convert lists of HCIS area descriptions, such as the list contained in the below table, into Placemark files to allow these areas to be visualised using computer mapping software could, at the time this instrument was made, be found on the ACMA's website (<http://www.acma.gov.au>).

Area with respect to which this spectrum re-allocation declaration applies		
Item	Column 1 Named area	Column 2 Areas forming the named area (HCIS Identifiers)
1	Regional Australia	CV, DV, IV, JV, JW, KQ, KV, KW, LR, LV, LW, LY, MS, AU9, AV9, AW3, BU7, BU8, BV3, BV6, BV7, BV8, BV9, BW1, BW2, BW3, BW5, BW6, CW1, CW2, CW3, CW4, DW1, DW2, DW3, EV1, EV2, EV3, EV4, EV5, EV6, EV7, FV1, FV2, FV3, FV4, FV5, GV1, GV2, GV3, GV6, HV1, HV2, HV3, HV4, HV5, HV6, HV8, HV9, HW3, HW6, IW1, IW2, IW4, IW5, IW7, IW8, IW9, JX1, JX2, JX3, JX5, JX6, KO1, KO4, KO5, KO7, KO8, KP1, KP2, KP4, KP5, KP6, KP7, KP8, KP9, KX1, KX2, KX4, KX5, KX8, KX9, KY2, KY3, KY6, LP4, LP7, LQ1, LQ2, LQ4, LQ5, LQ7, LQ8, LX2, LX3, LX5, LX6, LX7, LX8, LX9, LZ1, LZ2, LZ3, MR1, MR4, MR5, MR7, MR8, MR9, MT1, MT2, MT3, MT6, MT7, MT8, MT9, MU1, MU2, MU3, MU4, MU7, MU8, MU9, MV1, MV2, MV4, MV5, MV6, MV7, MV8, MW1, MW2, MW6, MW7, MW8, MW9, MX1, MX2, MX3, MX4, MX7, MY1, MY4, MY7, MZ1, NS4, NS7, NS8, NS9, NT1, NT2, NT3, NT4, NT7, NU1, NU2, NU4, NU5, NU6, NU8, NU9, NV1, NV2, NV3, NV5, AU6I, AU6J, AU6K, AU6L, AU6M, AU6N, AU6O, AU6P, BU4H, BU4I, BU4J, BU4K, BU4L, BU4M, BU4N, BU4O, BU4P, BU5E, BU5F, BU5G, BU5H, BU5I, BU5J, BU5K, BU5L, BU5M, BU5N, BU5O, BU5P, BU9A, BU9B, BU9E, BU9F, BU9I, BU9J, BU9M, BU9N, BV2C, BV2D, BV2G, BV2H, BV2K, BV2L, BV2O, BV2P, BV4M, BV4N, BV4O, BV4P, BV5C, BV5D, BV5G, BV5H, BV5K, BV5L, BV5M, BV5N, BV5O, BV5P, IW3A, IW3B, IW3C, IW3D, IW3E, IW3F, IW3G, IW3H, IW3I, IW3M, IW6A, IW6E, IW6I, IW6J, IW6K, IW6L, IW6M, IW6N, IW6O, IW6P, KX3A, KX3B, KX3C, KX3D, KX3E, KX3F, KX3G, KX3H, KX3I, KX3M, KX6A, KX6E, KX6I, KX6J, KX6K, KX6L, KX6M, KX6N, KX6O, KX6P, LX1A, LX1B, LX1C, LX1D, LX1E, LX1F, LX1G, LX1H, LX1I, LX1L, LX1P, LX4D, LX4H, LX4I, LX4J, LX4K, LX4L, LX4M, LX4N, LX4O, LX4P, MT4A, MT4B, MT4C, MT4D, MT4E, MT4I, MT4M, MT4N, MT5A, MT5B, MT5C, MT5D, MT5F, MT5G, MT5H, MT5J, MT5K, MT5L, MT5N, MT5O, MT5P, MU5A, MU5B, MU5E, MU5F, MU5I, MU5J, MU5M, MU5N, MU5O, MU5P, MU6B, MU6C, MU6D, MU6F, MU6G, MU6H, MU6J, MU6K, MU6L, MU6M, MU6N, MU6O, MU6P, MV3A, MV3B, MV3E, MV3I, MV3M, MV3N, MV9A, MV9B, MV9C, MV9E, MV9F, MV9I, MV9J, MV9M, MV9N, MW3A, MW3B, MW3E, MW3F, MW3G, MW3H, MW3I, MW3J, MW3K, MW3L, MW3M, MW3N, MW3O, MW3P, MW4A, MW4B, MW4C, MW4E, MW4F, MW4G, MW4I, MW4J, MW4K, MW4M, MW4N, MW4O, MW4P, MW5C, MW5D, MW5G, MW5H, MW5K, MW5L, MW5M, MW5N, MW5O, MW5P, NT5A, NT5B, NT5C, NT5D, NT5E, NT5F, NT5G, NT5H, NT5I, NT5J, NT5K, NT5L, NT5M, NT5N, NT5O, NT6A, NT6B, NT6C, NT6D, NT6E, NT6F, NT6G, NT6H, NT6I, NT6J, NT6K, NT6L, NT6P, NT8A, NT8B, NT8C, NT8E, NT8F, NT8I, NT8J, NT8M, NT8N,

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		NT8O, NT9D, NT9H, NT9L, NT9P, NU3D, NU3E, NU3H, NU3I, NU3J, NU3K, NU3L, NU3M, NU3N, NU3O, NU3P, NU7A, NU7B, NU7C, NU7D, NU7E, NU7F, NU7G, NU7H, NU7I, NU7J, NU7L, NU7M, NU7N, NU7O, NU7P, NV4A, NV4B, NV4C, NV4D, NV4E, NV4F, NV4G, NV4H, NV4I, NV4J, NV4K, NV4L, NV4M, NW1E, NW1F, NW1G, NW1H, NW1I, NW1J, NW1K, NW1L, NW1M, NW1N, NW1O, NW1P, BV1A1, BV1A2, BV1A3, BV1B1, BV1B2, BV1B3, BV1C1, BV1C2, BV1C3, BV1D1, BV1D2, BV1D3, BV2A1, BV2A2, BV2A3, BV2B1, BV2B2, BV2B3, BV4I7, BV4I8, BV4I9, BV4J7, BV4J8, BV4J9, BV4K7, BV4K8, BV4K9, BV4L7, BV4L8, BV4L9, BV5I7, BV5I8, BV5I9, BV5J7, BV5J8, BV5J9, IW3J1, IW3J2, IW3J3, IW3J4, IW3J7, IW3K1, IW3K2, IW3K3, IW3L1, IW3L2, IW3L3, IW3N1, IW3N4, IW3N7, IW6B1, IW6B4, IW6B7, IW6F1, IW6F4, IW6F7, IW6F8, IW6F9, IW6G7, IW6G8, IW6G9, IW6H7, IW6H8, IW6H9, KX6F7, KX6F8, KX6F9, KX6G7, KX6G8, KX6G9, KX6H7, KX6H8, KX6H9, LX1K2, LX1K3, LX1K5, LX1K6, LX1K8, LX1K9, LX1O2, LX1O3, LX1O5, LX1O6, LX1O8, LX1O9, LX4C2, LX4C3, LX4C5, LX4C6, LX4C8, LX4C9, LX4E7, LX4E8, LX4E9, LX4F7, LX4F8, LX4F9, LX4G2, LX4G3, LX4G5, LX4G6, LX4G7, LX4G8, LX4G9, MT4F1, MT4F2, MT4F3, MT4F4, MT4F5, MT4F6, MT4F7, MT4F8, MT4G1, MT4J1, MT4J2, MT4J4, MT4J5, MT4J7, MT4J8, MT4J9, MT4O4, MT4O5, MT4O7, MT4O8, MT4O9, MT4P6, MT4P7, MT4P8, MT4P9, MT5E1, MT5E2, MT5E3, MT5E5, MT5E6, MT5E8, MT5E9, MT5I3, MT5I6, MT5I8, MT5I9, MT5M2, MT5M3, MT5M4, MT5M5, MT5M6, MT5M7, MT5M8, MT5M9, MU5C1, MU5C2, MU5C3, MU5C4, MU5C5, MU5C6, MU5C7, MU5D1, MU5D2, MU5D3, MU5D4, MU5D5, MU5D6, MU5K7, MU6A1, MU6A2, MU6A3, MU6A4, MU6A5, MU6A6, MU6A8, MU6A9, MU6E3, MU6E6, MU6E9, MU6I3, MU6I6, MU6I8, MU6I9, MV3C1, MV3C2, MV3C3, MV3C4, MV3C5, MV3C6, MV3C7, MV3D1, MV3D2, MV3D3, MV3D4, MV3D5, MV3D6, MV3D8, MV3D9, MV3F1, MV3F2, MV3F4, MV3F7, MV3J1, MV3J4, MV3J7, MV3J8, MV3O4, MV3O5, MV3O6, MV3O7, MV3O8, MV3O9, MV3P2, MV3P3, MV3P4, MV3P5, MV3P6, MV3P7, MV3P8, MV3P9, MV9D1, MV9D2, MV9D3, MV9D4, MV9D5, MV9D6, MV9D7, MV9D8, MV9G1, MV9G2, MV9G3, MV9G4, MV9G5, MV9G6, MV9H1, MV9H2, MV9H4, MV9H5, MW3C1, MW3C4, MW3C7, MW3C8, MW4D1, MW4D2, MW4D4, MW4D5, MW4D7, MW4D8, MW4H1, MW4H2, MW4H4, MW4H5, MW4H7, MW4H8, MW4L1, MW4L2, MW4L4, MW4L5, MW4L6, MW4L7, MW4L8, MW4L9, MW5B3, MW5B6, MW5B9, MW5F3, MW5F6, MW5F9, MW5I4, MW5I5, MW5I6, MW5I7, MW5I8, MW5I9, MW5J3, MW5J4, MW5J5, MW5J6, MW5J7, MW5J8, MW5J9, NT5P1, NT5P2, NT5P3, NT5P4, NT5P5, NT5P6, NT5P7, NT6M1, NT6M2, NT6M3, NT6M4, NT6M5, NT6M6, NT6N1, NT6N2, NT6N3, NT6N4, NT6N5, NT6N6, NT6O1, NT6O2, NT6O3,

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