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Please note: All of the values given in this document are measured at the termination points that are represented, at each end of the link, by the user access.

1. TELEPHONE LINKS AND TELEGRAPH LINKS: OVERVIEW OF SERVICES

The provision of an analogue leased link involves France Telecom providing a permanent transmission capacity between two identified, fixed points. The quality of the transmission medium depends on the type of link.

The France Telecom catalogue offers the following analogue leased links:
- Ordinary quality 2-wire telephone leased link (ITU-T M.1040)
- Ordinary quality 4-wire telephone leased link (ITU-T M.1040)
- Special quality 2-wire telephone leased link (ITU-T M.1020)
- Special quality 4-wire telephone leased link (ITU-T M.1020)

and:
- Monophonic 7 kHz sound-programme quality broadband leased link (ITU-T N.10)
- Monophonic 15 kHz sound-programme quality broadband leased link (ITU-T N.10)
- Stereophonic 15 kHz sound-programme quality broadband leased link (ITU-T N.10)

This document gives the characteristics of these products, along with the associated connection and environmental conditions.

1.1 ORDINARY QUALITY 2-WIRE TELEPHONE LEASED LINK (ITU-T M.1040)

1.1.1 DEFINITION OF THE SERVICE

Ordinary quality 2-wire telephone links are used to transmit electric signals in the voice band (300 - 3400 Hz), between two fixed connection interfaces represented by testing devices. They can only be established in a point-to-point configuration.

1.1.2 CONNECTION INTERFACE

The connection interface available on the testing device, delivered as a screw terminal block, is composed of two wires.

1.1.3 TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS MEASURED AT TERMINATION POINTS

a) Transmission between the two termination points, including signalling, is always in the standardised frequency band 300 - 3400 Hz (voice band).

b) The attenuation value between the two termination points, measured on a 600 Ohm characteristic impedance and at the 1020 Hz reference frequency, does not exceed 15 dB.

c) The variation of the attenuation of a link between the two termination points, with 600 Ohm characteristic impedance, measured according to the frequency, in the voice band and in relation to the overall loss at 1020 Hz, does not exceed the maximum values given in the template in Appendix 1.

d) The average psophometric noise voltage measured on 600 Ohm characteristic impedance carried to a point with relative value 0 does not exceed -38 dBm0p.

e) The relative sound level at the termination point is fixed at 4 dBr.

f) With data transmission, the maximum send signal power level must be equal to or less than -13 dBmo.
1.2 ORDINARY QUALITY 4-WIRE TELEPHONE LEASED LINK (ITU-T M.1040)

1.2.1 DEFINITION OF THE SERVICE

Ordinary quality 4-wire telephone links are used to transmit electric signals in the voice band (300 - 3400 Hz), between two fixed connection interfaces represented by testing devices. They can be established in a point-to-point or a point-to-multipoint configuration.

1.2.2 CONNECTION INTERFACE

The connection interface available on the testing device, delivered as a screw terminal block, is composed of four wires: a transmission pair and a reception pair.

1.2.3 TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS MEASURED AT TERMINATION POINTS

   a) Transmission between the two termination points, including signalling, is always in the standardised frequency band 300 - 3400 Hz (voice band).

   b) The attenuation value between the two termination points, measured on a 600 Ohm characteristic impedance and at the 1020 Hz reference frequency, does not exceed 15 dB.

   c) The variation of the attenuation of a link between the two termination points, with 600 Ohm characteristic impedance, measured according to the frequency, in the voice band and in relation to the overall loss at 1020 Hz, does not exceed the maximum values given in the template in Appendix 1.

   d) The average psophometric noise voltage measured on 600 Ohm characteristic impedance carried to a point with relative value 0 does not exceed - 38 dBm0p.

   e) The relative sound level at the termination point is fixed at 0 dBr.

   f) With data transmission, the maximum send signal power level for transmission must be equal to or less than - 13 dBm0.

1.3 SPECIAL QUALITY 2-WIRE TELEPHONE LEASED LINK (ITU-T M.1020)

1.3.1 DEFINITION OF THE SERVICE

Special quality 2-wire telephone links are used to transmit electric signals in the voice band (300 - 3400 Hz), between two fixed connection interfaces represented by testing devices. They can only be established in a point-to-point configuration.

1.3.2 CONNECTION INTERFACE

The connection interface available on the testing device, delivered as a screw terminal block, is composed of two wires.

1.3.3 TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS MEASURED AT TERMINATION POINTS

   a) Transmission between the two termination points, including signalling, is always in the standardised frequency band 300 - 3400 Hz (voice band).

   b) The attenuation value between the two termination points, measured on a 600 Ohm characteristic impedance and at the 1020 Hz reference frequency, does not exceed 13 dB.

   c) After link commissioning, the variation of the value above will not exceed ± 4 dB.

   d) The variation of the attenuation of a link between the two termination points, with 600 Ohm characteristic impedance, measured according to the frequency, in the voice band and in relation to the overall loss at 1020 Hz, does not exceed the maximum values given in the template in Appendix 2.

   e) The average psophometric noise voltage measured on 600 Ohm characteristic impedance carried to a point with relative value 0 does not exceed - 38 dBm0p.
f) The number of impulsive noise bursts of a level greater than - 21 dBm0 does not exceed 18 in a 15-minute measurement period.

g) The group delay distortion does not exceed the maximum values given in the template in Appendix 2.

h) The signal-to-total distortion ratio is greater than 28 dB if a - 10 dBm0 measuring sinewave is used.

i) With data transmission, the maximum send signal power level must be equal to or less than - 13 dBmo.

j) The relative sound level at the termination point is fixed at 4 dBr.

1.4 SPECIAL QUALITY 4-WIRE TELEPHONE LEASED LINK (ITU-T M.1020)

1.4.1 DEFINITION OF THE SERVICE

Special quality 4-wire telephone links are used to transmit electric signals in the voice band (300 - 3400 Hz), between two fixed connection interfaces represented by testing devices. They can be established in a point-to-point or a point-to-multipoint configuration.

1.4.2 CONNECTION INTERFACE

The connection interface available on the testing device, delivered as a screw terminal block, is composed of four wires: a transmission pair and a reception pair.

1.4.3 TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS MEASURED AT TERMINATION POINTS

a) Transmission between the two termination points, including signalling, is always in the standardised frequency band 300 - 3400 Hz (voice band).

b) The attenuation value between the two termination points, measured on a 600 Ohm characteristic impedance and at the 1020 Hz reference frequency, does not exceed 13 dB.

c) After link commissioning, the variation of the value above will not exceed ± 4 dB.

d) The variation of the attenuation of a link between the two termination points, with 600 Ohm characteristic impedance, measured according to the frequency, in the voice band and in relation to the overall loss at 1020 Hz, does not exceed the maximum values given in the template in Appendix 2.

e) The average psophometric noise voltage measured on 600 Ohm characteristic impedance carried to a point with relative value 0 does not exceed - 38 dBm0p.

f) The number of impulsive noise bursts of a level greater than - 21 dBm0 does not exceed 18 in a 15-minute measurement period.

g) The group delay distortion complies with the template in Appendix 2.

h) The signal-to-total distortion ratio is greater than 28 dB if a - 10 dBm0 measuring sinewave is used.

i) With data transmission, the maximum send signal power level must be equal to or less than - 13 dBmo.

j) The relative sound level at the termination point is fixed at 0 dBr.

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1.5 TELEGRAPH LEASED LINK

1.5.1 DEFINITION OF THE SERVICE
Telegraph links are used to exchange the frequencies defined in ITU-T Recommendation R.20 only. They can be established in a point-to-point or a point-to-multipoint configuration. Point-to-multipoint configuration is operated in one way only, and there is either broadcast only or concentration only.

1.5.2 CONNECTION INTERFACE
The connection interface available on the testing device, delivered as a screw terminal block, is composed of two wires.

1.5.3 TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS MEASURED AT TERMINATION POINTS
The transmission characteristics of a telegraph link are identical to those of a 2-wire telephone link, described in section 1.1.3.

The code/rate pairs that can be used are defined in ITU-T Recommendation R.101, variant B.

2. SOUND-PROGRAMME QUALITY BROADBAND LEASED LINKS: OVERVIEW OF SERVICES

Sound-programme quality broadband links are composed of a one-way communication channel. There are three types of broadband links according to the transmission type:

- monophonic medium quality transmission in the 50 - 7000 Hz frequency band,
- monophonic high quality transmission in the 40 - 15,000 Hz frequency band,
- stereophonic high quality transmission in the 40 - 15,000 Hz frequency band.

These links comply with ITU-T Recommendation N.10.

2.1 MONOPHONIC 7 KHZ SOUND-PROGRAMME QUALITY BROADBAND LEASED LINK

2.1.1 DEFINITION OF THE SERVICE
Monophonic 7 kHz sound-programme quality broadband links are used for one-way transmission in the 50 - 7000 Hz frequency band.

2.1.2 CONNECTION INTERFACE
The connection interface available on the testing device, delivered as a screw terminal block, is composed of two wires.

2.1.3 TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS

a) Each end must have, on a permanent basis, one 40 - 15,000 Hz modulation transformer per channel, and only transmit with an output impedance below 20 Ohms.

b) The composite attenuation value between the two termination points, measured on a 600 Ohm impedance and at the 1020 Hz reference frequency, does not exceed 6 dB.

c) After monophonic link commissioning, none of the measurements taken on the source termination point exceed the theoretical reference radio send level fixed at +6 dBm, i.e. 0 dBm0s.

d) After commissioning, the customer is expected to respect a maximum transmitted absolute power level of +15 dBm, i.e. +9 dBm0s at all times.
2.2 MONOPHONIC 15 KHZ SOUND-PROGRAMME QUALITY BROADBAND LEASED LINK

2.2.1 Definition of the Service
Monophonic 15 kHz sound-programme quality broadband links are used for one-way transmission in the 40 – 15,000 Hz frequency band.

2.2.2 Connection Interface
The connection interface available on the testing device, delivered as a screw terminal block, is composed of two wires.

2.2.3 Transmission Characteristics
a) Each end must have, on a permanent basis, one 40 - 15,000 Hz modulation transformer per channel, and only transmit with an output impedance below 20 Ohms.

b) The composite attenuation value between the two termination points, measured on a 600 Ohm impedance and at the 1020 Hz reference frequency, does not exceed 6 dB.

c) After monophonic link commissioning, none of the measurements taken on the source termination point exceed the theoretical reference radio send level fixed at +6 dBm, i.e. 0 dBm0s.

d) After commissioning, the customer is expected to respect a maximum transmitted absolute power level of +15 dBm, i.e. +9 dBm0s at all times.

e) The variation of the composite attenuation of a link between the two termination points, with 600 Ohm characteristic impedance, according to the frequency, in the 40 - 15,000 Hz frequency band, does not exceed the maximum values given in the template in Appendix 4.

f) The group delay distortion complies with the template in Appendix 4.

g) The average psophometric noise voltage measured on 600 Ohm characteristic impedance carried to a point with relative value 0 does not exceed -51 dBq0ps.

h) The total harmonic distortion at the maximum sound level, +15 dBm, must not exceed 1.2% at 60 Hz or 0.6% at 1020 Hz.
2.3 STEREOPHONIC 15 KHZ SOUND-PROGRAMME QUALITY BROADBAND LEASED LINK

2.3.1 DEFINITION OF THE SERVICE

Stereophonic 15 kHz sound-programme quality broadband links are used for one-way transmission in the 40 - 15,000 Hz frequency band.

2.3.2 CONNECTION INTERFACE

The connection interface available on the testing device, delivered as a screw terminal block, is composed of four wires.

2.3.3 TRANSMISSION CHARACTERISTICS

a) Each end must have, on a permanent basis, one 40 - 15,000 Hz modulation transformer per channel, and only transmit with an output impedance below 20 Ohms.

b) The composite attenuation value between the two termination points, measured on a 600 Ohm impedance and at the 1020 Hz reference frequency, does not exceed 6 dB.

c) After stereophonic link commissioning, none of the measurements taken on the source termination point exceed the theoretical reference radio send level fixed at +6 dBm, i.e. 0 dBm0s.

d) After commissioning, the customer is expected to respect a maximum transmitted absolute power level of +15 dBm, i.e. +9 dBm0s at all times.

e) The variation of the composite attenuation of a link between the two termination points, with 600 Ohm characteristic impedance, in the 40 - 15,000 Hz frequency band, does not exceed the maximum values given in the template in Appendix 4.

f) The group delay distortion complies with the template in Appendix 4.

g) The average psophometric noise voltage measured on 600 Ohm characteristic impedance carried to a point with relative value 0 does not exceed -51 dBq0ps.

h) The total harmonic distortion at the maximum sound level, +15 dBm, must not exceed 1.2% at 60 Hz or 0.6% at 1020 Hz.

i) The absolute value of the gain difference between stereophonic channels A and B complies with the template in Appendix 5.

j) The measurement of the phase difference between stereophonic channels A and B complies with the template in Appendix 5.

k) The crosstalk ratio between stereophonic channels A and B must be greater than 58 dB.

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Appendix 1:
Template associated with Recommendation M.1040

M.1040 – Maximum overall loss of circuit in relation to overall loss at 1020 Hz

Note: The template is only guaranteed to be respected in the 300 - 3400 Hz frequency band.
Appendix 2: Templates associated with Recommendation M.1020

M.1040 – Maximum overall loss of circuit in relation to overall loss at 1020 Hz

Note: The template is only guaranteed to be respected in the 300 - 3400 Hz frequency band.

M.1020 – Maximum group delay in relation to minimum value measured in 500 - 2800 Hz frequency band.
Appendix 3:
Templates associated with monophonic 7 kHz sound-programme quality broadband link

Monophonic 7 kHz sound-programme quality broadband link – Maximum attenuation distortion values according to frequency

Monophonic 7 kHz sound-programme quality broadband link - Maximum group delay distortion values according to frequency

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Appendix 4:
Templates associated with monophonic 15 kHz sound-programme quality broadband link

Monophonic 15 kHz sound-programme quality broadband link – Maximum attenuation distortion values according to frequency

Monophonic 15 kHz sound-programme quality broadband link - Maximum group delay distortion values according to frequency
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Special characteristics of stereophonic 15 kHz sound-programme
quality broadband links

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