
Policy

TYPE APPROVAL SERVICE FEES

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Article (1)

1.1 Definitions

Unless the context requires otherwise, terms and expressions contained in the Federal Law by Decree No. 3 of 2003 on the Regulation of the Telecommunications Sector, as amended, shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the above-mentioned Law by Decree. The following terms and expressions shall have the following meanings:

- **TDRA:** Telecommunications and Digital Government Regulatory Authority.
- **Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier Authorization:** An Authorization issued by TDRA to the Registered Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer, Supplier or Distributor and shall mean the economic establishment that manufactures, imports or distributes Telecommunications Equipment and is registered with TDRA in the Type Approval Regime.
- **Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer:** any legal person who manufactures a Telecommunications Equipment or has Telecommunications Equipment designed or manufactured, under their own name or trademark. A Manufacturer can also make Telecommunications Equipment available on the market, if that Manufacturer is based in the UAE and has a valid trade license for the Telecommunications Equipment concerned.
- **Telecommunications Equipment Importer:** a legal person established within the UAE who imports Telecommunications Equipment from other countries. The Importer can also offer, sell or acquire Telecommunications Equipment on the UAE market.
- **Telecommunications Equipment Distributor:** a legal person established within the UAE who offers, sells or acquires Telecommunications Equipment on the UAE market.
- **Applicant:** Any operator, manufacturer, importer, distributor, or person applying for an authorization to import and use Telecommunications Equipment in accordance with the standards specified by the TRA.
- **Supplier Registration:** A registration certificate of a supplier, manufacturer or dealer of Telecommunications Equipment used in a Telecommunications Network or in the provision of Telecommunications Services.
- **Type Approval:** procedures by which TDRA authorizes RTTE to be placed

on the UAE market.

- Radio Equipment (RE): Equipment or relevant component thereof capable of communication by means of the emission and/or reception of electromagnetic radio waves of frequencies from 9 kHz to 3000 GHz propagated in space.
- Renewal Period: The time period spanning a month prior to license expiry and fifteen (15) days into the expiry date.

Article (2)

2.1 Introduction:

In accordance with the provisions of Federal Law by Decree No. 3 of 2003 on the Regulation of the Telecommunications Sector, as amended, and its Executive Order, the Type Approval Service Fees Policy (registration, licensing, renewal, testing) has been developed for the import, sale or use of the different Telecommunications Equipment. The import and use of Telecommunications Equipment shall be in conformity with the terms, conditions and regulations stipulated in the policies developed by TDRA on Telecommunications Equipment Type Approval.

2.2 Legal Powers

- Article (10) 6 of Federal Law by Decree No. 3 of 2003 on the Regulation of the Telecommunications Sector, as amended, stipulates that “the Board [of TDRA] shall have the jurisdiction to determine fees for the Licenses, authorizations, approvals and services issued or provided by TDRA pursuant to the provisions of the Law, its amendments or Executive Order.”
- Article (18) of the Federal Law by Decree No. (3) of 2003 on the Regulation of the Telecommunications Sector, as amended, states: “TDRA shall collect the fees imposed by the Board in relation to the Licenses issued by the Supreme Committee and the authorizations, approvals and services of TDRA as well as any other amounts regarding radio spectrum.”
- Article (42) of the Federal Law by Decree No. (3) of 2003 on the Regulation of the Telecommunications Sector, as amended, states: TDRA shall have exclusive competence in issuing all authorizations and approvals in relation to Telecommunications Apparatus comprised in or intended for use in connection with a Telecommunications Network or in the provision of a Telecommunications Service in accordance with the Executive Order of this Law by Decree and instructions of the Board to TDRA.”

- Article (43) of the Federal Law by Decree No. (3) of 2003 on the Regulation of the Telecommunications Sector, as amended, states: “Government Entities shall be exempted from obtaining the approval of TDRA in respect of Telecommunications Apparatus used by those Government Entities.”
- Article 39 of the Executive Order of Federal Law No. 3 of 2003 provides:
 - All authorized Telecommunications Equipment shall be subject to testing and inspection as determined by TDRA, which shall conduct such inspection and testing.
 - When required and upon written request, TDRA may assign a technical third party to conduct tests on the relevant Telecommunications Equipment, provided that the Applicant shall undertake to pay all fees required by that third party for testing, as determined by TDRA.

Article (3)

3.1 Type Approval Service Fee Types

The Type Approval Service Fees Policy shall be linked to the Telecommunications Equipment Type Approval Regime Policy and Regulation.

Type Approval service fees include three independent services with separate procedures as follows:

- Licensing of Telecommunications Equipment Suppliers & Manufacturers;
- Telecommunications Equipment Type Approval, and
- Telecommunications Equipment Testing.

Article (4)

4.1 Fees for Licensing Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturers & Suppliers

This section outlines fees prescribed for registration, modification, renewal and cancellation of a license of a Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer & Supplier according to Table 1 below.

TDRA may, at its discretion, charge fees based on the principle of proportionality of Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturers and Suppliers license fees, with a minimum license fee of AED 100.

Application Type	Details	Fees in AED	Payment due	Article Reference
Registration Application Consideration and Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier License Issue Fee for five years	5500	500 for application consideration 5000 to issue license	Upon submission	4.2-4.3
Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier License Modification Fee	100	-	Upon submission	4.4
Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier License Renewal Fee for five years	5100	100 for application consideration 5000 to issue license	Upon submission	4.5
Renewal delay fees	100	-	For every month of delay	4.6

Table 1

Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturers and Suppliers license fees are broken down into:

4.2 Registration Application Consideration Fee

Each Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier License Applicant shall be required to make an advance non-refundable payment for processing the application, irrespective of the final status of the application being granted or rejected.

4.3 Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier License Issue Fee

Should a Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier Licensing

application be approved, the License shall be issued in exchange for the issuance fees. The validity of the License shall be five years starting from the date of issue.

4.4 Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier License Modification Fee

If any of the information contained in the License is to be changed, the Applicant shall commit to make an advance, non-refundable payment for modifying the License, irrespective of the final status of the application as granted or rejected.

4.5 Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier License Renewal Fee

An application to renew a Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer and Supplier license shall be submitted one month prior to expiration or within 15 days of expiration. If the deadline exceeds 15 days of License expiry, the License shall be temporarily suspended.

4.6 Renewal delay/non-compliance fees

A fine for renewal non-compliance, estimated at AED 100 per month following the end of the renewal period, shall be incurred by including the fine as of the first day of exceeding the reference period. Calculation of the fine starts from the effective date of Authorization expiry, up to a maximum of 12 months, in which case the Authorization is considered null and non-renewable after the temporary suspension period.

For example:

License expires on 15 December 2022; the fine is calculated after the 15-day renewal period ends, i.e. on 31 December 2022. A fine of AED 100 is incurred for the first month of delay from 16 December 2022 until 15 January 2023, with the second fine calculated from 16 February to 15 March.

Following the expiry of the suspension period, the certificate shall be revoked.

4.7 Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer/Supplier License Revocation

If a Telecommunications Equipment Manufacturer and Supplier license is requested for cancellation, no additional costs shall be incurred, and the remaining amount of the license issue fees will not be returned for the remainder of years.

Article (5)

5.1 Telecommunications Equipment Authorization Fees

This section outlines approved fees for registration, modification, renewal and cancellation of a Telecommunications Equipment authorization according to Table 2.

Application Type	Fees in AED	Payment due	Article Reference
Application Submission and Consideration Fees	500	Upon submission	5.2
Type Approval Issuance Fees	200	Once every 3 years	5.3
Type Approval Authorization Modification Fees	100	Upon submission	5.4
Type Approval Authorization Renewal Fees	300	Once every 3 years	5.5
Renewal delay fees	100	For every month of delay	5.6

Table (2)

Telecommunications Equipment authorization fees are as follows:

5.2 Application Submission and Consideration Fees

Each Applicant for the approval of Telecommunications Equipment is required to make an advance, non-refundable payment for processing the application, irrespective of the final status of the application being granted or rejected.

5.3 Type Approval Issuance Fees

If the Type Approval application is approved, a Type Approval certificate shall be granted in exchange for the respective fees based on Telecommunications Equipment Compliance Levels explained under Table 2. The validity of the Type Approval certificate shall be three (3) years starting from the date of issue of the certificate.

5.4 Type Approval Authorization Modification Fees

If any of the information contained in the certificate is to be changed, the Applicant shall commit to make an advance, non-refundable payment for Type Approval certification, irrespective of the final status of the application

as granted or rejected.

Technical modification details are specified under Article 4.4 of the Type Approval Regime Regulation.

5.5 Type Approval Authorization Renewal Fees

The authorized person may submit a request to renew the Telecommunication Equipment Type Approval one month prior to or within 15 days of the expiry date. In the event that the specified period is exceeded, the Authorization shall be temporarily suspended.

5.6 Renewal delay fees:

A fine for renewal non-compliance, estimated at AED 100 per month following the end of the renewal period, shall be incurred as of the first day of exceeding the reference period. Calculation of the fine commences from the actual date of certification expiry, up to a maximum of 6 months, in which case the certification is considered null and non-renewable after the temporary suspension period.

For example:

Certification expires on 15 December 2022; the fine is calculated after the 15-day renewal period ends, i.e. on 31 December 2022. A fine of AED 100 is incurred for the first month of delay from 16 December 2022 until 15 January 2023, with the second fine calculated from 16 February to 15 March.

Following the expiry of the suspension period, the certificate shall be revoked.

5.7 Revocation of the Type Approval Authorization

If a Type Approval certificate is requested for cancellation, no additional costs shall be incurred, and the remaining fee amount for revoking the Type Approval certificate shall not be refunded for the remaining years.

Article (6)

6.1 Telecommunications Equipment Testing Fees

These fees shall apply to Telecommunications Equipment tests based on the classification of technologies specified in Table (3), in line with the details mentioned in the Type Approval Regime Policy and Regulation.

Fees in AED	Technology
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2600	Mobile Phone 2G (GSM, GPRS, E-GPRS)
2600	Mobile Phone (3G)
2600	Mobile Phone (4G)
8100	Wi-Fi
2700	Bluetooth
1400	ISM band & SRD/LPD
1400	Amateur, small boat & PMR
2100	Performance (IOP)
2100	Emergency Broadcast – mobile phone
6100	eCall
4000	Mobile Phone (5G)
3800	NB-IOT
2800	Advanced Mobile Location
1700	Calling Name Presentation

Table 3

Article (7)

7.1 Obligation to Pay

Fees are to be paid in full through the official channels decided by TDRA.

Article (8)

8.1 Fines

TDRA may impose fines in the event of failure to comply with the terms and conditions of the Type Approval authorization according to the provisions of Federal Law Decree No. (3) of 2003 and its Executive Order.