

## **Telecommunication Authority of Styria and Carinthia**A-8010 Graz Marburger Kai 43-45



Ladies and Gentlemen,

The interference-free operation of radio systems and telecommunication equipment in Austria is our concern and our mandate according to Telecommunications Act 2003 (TKG 2003).

To be able to ensure interference-free operation of radio systems, all used frequencies are to be coordinated and the operation of such radio systems is to be approved by the Telecommunications authority. Especially in case of major events taking place in metropolitan areas we are strictly required to use our right of surveillance and, if necessary, to use also our right to intervene in the interest of all spectrum users if radio systems are operated unauthorizedly.

Basically, the operation of radio systems in Austria is subject to permit. Generally approved radio systems of Class 2 such as CB radio (FSB-LN001), SRD radio (FSB-LD074), radio microphones (FSB-LD048) and also radio systems of Class 1 are not subject to an individual approval.

Please be aware that the operation of radio systems without frequency coordination and valid operating licence may cause harmful interference to other systems and, therefore, operating them is not allowed. We have the legal obligation to take illegally operated radio systems out of service and, in further consequence, to confiscate them. Afterwards, administrative **penalty proceedings shall be initiated for which a fine of up to € 4,000.- may be imposed** including the forfeiture of the radio system to the public authority (§109 TKG).

The relevant sections of Telecommunications Act 2003 are:

§ 74	Installation and operation of radio systems
§ 81 and 82	Authorisation procedure, Fees
§ 86	Scope of rights of surveillance of telecommunication authority bodies
§ 87	Rights of search of telecommunication authority bodies
§ 88	Supervision measures
§ 109	Administrative penal regulations
§§ 112 and 113	Telecommunication authorities and competences
§ 114	Participation of bodies of law enforcement agencies

We urge all users of radio equipment to contact the Telecommunication Authority about the use of these systems.

The instructions of the regulatory bodies of the telecommunication authority's radio monitoring service Graz must be **followed under all circumstances**.

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