NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 5 May 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

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**Title:** Standards for Hearing Aid-Compatible Handsets

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| **Reason for Addendum:** | |
| [  ] | Comment period changed - date: |
| [X] | Notified measure adopted - date: 16 February 2021 |
| [X] | Notified measure published - date: 22 February 2021 |
| [X] | Notified measure enters into force - date: 3 June 2021 |
| [X] | Text of final measure available from[[1]](#footnote-1):  <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-21-28A1.pdf>  <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2021/TBT/USA/final_measure/21_3254_00_e.pdf> |
| [  ] | Notified measure withdrawn or revoked - date:  Relevant symbol if measure re-notified: |
| [  ] | Content or scope of notified measure changed and text available from1:  New deadline for comments (if applicable): |
| [  ] | Interpretive guidance issued and text available from1: |
| [X] | Other: <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-05-04/html/2021-08973.htm>  <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-05-04/pdf/2021-08973.pdf> |

**Description:** TITLE: Standards for Hearing Aid-Compatible Handsets

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission (FCC)

ACTION: Final rule

SUMMARY: In this document, the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") incorporates by reference into its wireless hearing aid compatibility rules ANSI C63.19-2019 (2019 ANSI Standard) and ANSI/ TIA-5050-2018 (Volume Control Standard). These standards will be used to evaluate the hearing aid compatibility of wireless handsets.

The full text of the Commission's Report and Order for WT Docket No. 20-3, FCC 21-28 adopted on 16 February 2021 and released on 22 February 2021 is accessible from the FCC's Electronic Document Management System (EDOCS) at <https://www.fcc.gov/edocs/search-results?t=quick&fccdaNo=21-28>.  Alternative formats are available for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format, etc.), and reasonable accommodations (accessible format documents, sign language interpreters, CART, etc.) may be requested by sending an email to [FCC504@fcc.gov](mailto:FCC504@fcc.gov) or by [calling](https://countrycode.org/how-to-call) the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at +1 202-418-0530 (voice), +1 202-418-0432 (TTY).

A summary of the Commission's Report and Order was published in the [Federal Register](https://www.govinfo.gov/help/fr#about) on 4 May 2021 and is accessible at <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-05-04/html/2021-08973.htm> and <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-05-04/pdf/2021-08973.pdf>.

DATES:

Effective date: Effective 3 June 2021, except for amendatory instruction 5 (Sec. 20.19(f), (h)(1), and (i)) which is delayed. We will publish a document in the Federal Register announcing the effective date for these revised provisions.

Incorporation by reference: The incorporation by reference of certain standards into the Commission's wireless hearing aid compatibility rules is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of 3 June 2021. The incorporation by reference of ANSI C63.19-2007 and ANSI C63.19-2011 were approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of 6 June 2008 and 16 August 2012, respectively.

Compliance Date: The 1 March 2021 volume control requirement deadline in Sec. 20.19(b)(1) and (f)(1)(ii) was suspended as of 16 February 2021.

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1. This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)