



# T-Mobile EMF-Policy Health and Electromagnetic Fields 10 Recommendations

## Introduction

Since regulatory and social frameworks differ throughout Europe, efficient and effective policy responses require various respective strategies in T-Mobile's European activities. Common to all its national strategies is T-Mobile's firm voluntary commitment to transparency, information, consultation and participation as a contribution to precaution.

T-Mobile recognizes the genuine public concern over mobile communications technology, both handsets and base stations. With many neighbors to T-Mobile base station sites and millions of customers, T-Mobile is determined to take those concerns seriously in order to address participation, environmental and consumer needs in an open, constructive and honest manner.

With numerous activities in our national markets in Europe, T-Mobile is playing an active part in the public dialogue on electromagnetic fields. Working with other operators, governments and the scientific community we encourage independent scientific studies in health-related research, participate in a wide array of consultation, communication and information dialogues with the public and political decision-makers at all levels.

## The Ten Recommendations

### Transparency

1. T-Mobile has established internal responsibilities and workflows for the management of complaints and enquiries about technology and health and related issues.
2. T-Mobile is aware of the public interest in mobile communications. For full transparency, T-Mobile supports the idea of national databases of base stations including all other sources of EMF emissions.
3. All of T-Mobile's base stations comply with the national exposure guidelines as well as with the guidelines of the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP). In order to improve transparency, T-Mobile provides for each base station a declaration of compliance.

### Information

4. To address the general public, T-Mobile pursues a proactive communications strategy and is striving for co-operation with all stakeholders. Also, T-Mobile encourages public authorities on all levels to co-operate with the mobile industry and to set up their own programs in order to inform the public.
5. T-Mobile provides its customers the manufacturers' information on SAR values of the handsets on sale, both on its web sites and in T-Mobile's points of sale.

### Participation

6. T-Mobile co-operates with local authorities in dealing with enquiries from their citizens in relation to network development and base station siting. In order to assist local authorities, T-Mobile offers all relevant information of our networks.

7. T-Mobile aspires to a co-operative relationship with local authorities. It is our objective to find agreement with local authorities on siting of base stations wherever possible.

8. T-Mobile aims to minimize the visual impact of base stations and the impact of the whole network on landscape and townscape.

### **Promotion of Science**

9. T-Mobile fully supports the improvement of scientific knowledge on public health impacts through EMF and is contributing to independent research programs.

10. T-Mobile strongly believes limit values for EMF exposure should be based on substantiated research and kept under constant review. Furthermore T-Mobile undertakes its own evaluation of the most recent scientific findings.

### **Résumé**

Taking this course of action, T-Mobile goes beyond legal requirements. We are convinced that these resources and costs are well invested as these activities contribute to our corporate social responsibility and to sustainable development. With many base station 'neighbors' and mobile phone customers T-Mobile is committed to optimizing the use of mobile communications while minimizing the potential risks. That is our philosophy.

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