



Office of Utility Regulation

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Mast Audit spot-check Results published

A recent survey of 16 mobile mast sites in the Bailiwick has found that each is within the safety guidelines set by the OUR. The results of the audit are published today along with an updated register of all Bailiwick mobile sites.

“Each site selected for the spot-check falls with the internationally accepted guidelines, which is pleasing to see,” said Rosie Allsopp, Office Manager at the OUR. “This is the fifth audit of sites carried out since 2004 and on each occasion the sites audited have all complied with the guidelines. I hope the results of this independent audit will reassure islanders that the telecoms companies are continuing to meet their obligations.”

A full audit of all sites operational in the Bailiwick was undertaken in 2004 and again in 2008 with spot-checks on selected sites in 2005, 2009 and again this year. The audit is the latest in a series carried out since 2004 and was conducted to ensure that mobile operators continue to comply with the guidelines laid down by the International Commission for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection (ICNIRP).

An updated register of all mobile mast sites in the Bailiwick has also been published by the OUR. It shows that the total number of sites now stands at 77 across the Bailiwick, six more than in 2009. Almost half of all sites are shared by more than one operator.

Both reports are published on the OUR’s website www.regutil.gg. Information from the mast audits is also available on the Digimap website www.digimap.gg. Hard copies are available by calling the Office of Utility Regulation on 711120.

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Information for editors

Number of sites by island	
Island	Number of sites
Guernsey	63
Alderney	6
Sark	6
Herm	2

Types of Mast Structure	
Type of Mounting	Number
Roof-Top	26
Monopole	27
Lattice Tower	11
Outdoor Wall Mounted	10
Indoor Wall Mounted	9
Water Tower	2

Site Name	Parish	Cumulative EQ
Airport Terminal	Forest	1/211
Airport Car Park	Forest	1/123
Airtel Shop	St Peter Port	1/825
Beau Sejour	St Peter Port	1/325
Brooklands Farm	Castel	1/1822
Centenary House	St Peter Port	1/29
Cricket Centre	Castel	1/160
Envoy House	St Peter Port	1/18
Fort Albert	Alderney	1/251
La Moinerie	Sark	1/27
L'Atlantique Hotel	St Saviour	1/174
L'Eree Hotel	St Pierre du Bois	1/112
Maseline Harbour	Sark	1/33
Old Harbour	Sark	1/88
Waterloo House	St Peter Port	1/18
White House Hotel	Herm	1/189

About the OUR

The Office of Utility Regulation was established in 2001 to regulate the three utilities of post, telecoms and electricity in the Bailiwick of Guernsey. The Office is headed by Director General John Curran and has three staff.

The role of the OUR is protect the interests of Guernsey consumers and the economy. It does this by ensuring that customers receive the best in price, choice and quality services in the three sectors, while at the same time ensuring that those sectors are vibrant and robust so that they can positively contribute to and underpin a successful Guernsey economy.

The OUR licences and regulates telecommunications operators, Guernsey Electricity Ltd and Guernsey Post Ltd. Wherever possible, the OUR promotes the introduction of competition by ensuring that there is fair play and a level playing field between the operators. Where competition is not yet effective or is not feasible, the OUR regulates prices and quality of services to end customers. More information is available from the OUR website www.regutil.gg or by contacting the Office of Utility Regulation on 01481 711120.