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Question 1: Please provide feedback on the additions, amendments and clarifications we have made to the wording of the licence condition to implement our decisions on the scope of the licence condition in our October 2020 Statement, giving reasons for your response.	Confidential? – N I am able to support the detailed answers advanced by the Radio Society of Great Britain. Unfortunately OFCOM appear to continue their effort to make one size fit all when it clearly does not. In doing so, OFCOM are in danger of imposing hugely disproportionate and thus unlawful requirements. While I understand the desirability of uniformity across licenses, I do not believe that this is properly achievable and I wish to see, from my perspective as a radio amateur, recognition that the amateur service is not the same as a 5G network operator.
Question 2: Please provide feedback on the additions and clarifications to our 'Guidance on EMF Compliance and Enforcement', giving reasons for your response.	Confidential? – N I am able to support the detailed answers advanced by the Radio Society of Great Britain. Sight should not be lost of the self training aspect of the amateur service, and for that reason any work by individual radio amateurs in connection with EMF should be incremental and related to the level of license held and presumed level of technical skill. While many radio amateurs have professional qualifications and experience to draw upon in the field of radio and electronics, many do not and therefore require a high level of training and guidance. The principles surrounding EMF can however be used as a learning opportunity.

Question 3: Please provide feedback on the trial version of our EMF calculator, giving reasons for your response.	Confidential? – N I am able to support the detailed answers advanced by the Radio Society of Great Britain. Once again, this exercise is a good learning opportunity but radio amateurs cannot be expected to have the same degree of knowledge of these technical issues as the engineers and consultants employed by broadcasters and 5G networks amongst many others. Requirements throughout should be proportionate to actual demonstrated risk. I have experimented with the calculator. With regard to my home station equipment, my findings are consistent that for any band at 100W there is negligible risk, and zero risk outside a distance of two metres. This is likely to be the case with very many amateur installations, particularly when duty cycle and operating times are taken into account. Thus the calculator itself demonstrates the danger of disproportionate regulation. To have such an aid is however very helkpful and I am sure it can be enhanced.

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