

## Your response

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<p><b>Question 1: Do you have any comments on Ofcom’s proposals to make more frequencies available for restricted services?</b></p>	<p><i>Is this response confidential? – N</i>            It is important that smaller stations, like hospital radio stations have better access to the FM band. While AM has been used in the past by hospital stations, being able to move to FM greatly improves the listener experience.</p>
<p><b>Question 2: Do you have any comments on Ofcom’s proposed restricted service standard form Broadcasting Act licence?</b></p>	
<p><b>Question 3: Do you have any comments on Ofcom’s proposal to issue existing extended duration SRSL licensees with a restricted service licence on a new frequency at the end of their existing licence term, should they apply for a new licence?</b></p>	<p><i>Is this response confidential? – N</i>            As many stations have limited funds, changing frequency can incur significant costs. If stations are to be issued with new frequencies by Ofcom they should be given a 12 month period to change frequency from date of the new frequency being reserved by Ofcom. This would also small stations with limited funds or number of people to ensure they have the funding in place to update all their promotional material, jingles etc.</p>
<p><b>Question 4: Do you have any comments on Ofcom’s proposal to issue existing LRSL licensees with limited coverage frequencies (if available) at the end of their existing licence term, should they apply to renew their licence?</b></p>	<p><i>Is this response confidential? – N</i>            Response as per Q3.</p>
<p><b>Question 5: Do you have any comments on these changes to our application process, as set out in the revised guidance at Annex 4?</b></p>	
<p><b>Question 6: Do you have any comments on Ofcom’s proposal to invite the Secretary of State for DCMS to consider making an order which would provide an exception for certain</b></p>	

services from the need to hold a Broadcasting Act licence?

**Question 7: Do you have any comments on Ofcom's proposed fees for restricted services?**

*Is this response confidential? – N*

For stations taking part in the current trial, there should not be any additional fees for staying on the trial frequency at the end of the trial period if the station is allowed to continue broadcasting. At the next renewal, 5 years, then yes the fees should apply.