Pursuant to Article 144, Paragraph 3 and Paragraph 4, of the Law on Audio and Audiovisual Media Services (“Official Gazette of the Republic of Macedonia” Nos 184/13, 13/14, 44/14, 101/14 and 132/14), in accordance with the Conclusion of the Council of the Agency Ref. No. 02-3044/2 dated 06.06.2016, at its 21st session held on 06.06.2016, the Council of the Agency for Audio and Audiovisual Media Services adopted the following:

**RULEBOOK**

**ON DETERMINING THE SITES TO WHICH OPERATORS OF PUBLIC ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION NETWORKS THAT RETRANSMIT PROGRAMMING SERVICES AND THE PROVIDERS OF ON-DEMAND AUDIOVISUAL MEDIA SERVICES ARE OBLIGATED**

**TO TRANSMIT THEIR RESPECTIVE SIGNALS**

* **General provisions**

**Subject matter of the Rulebook**

Article 1

This Rulebook determines the sites to which the operators of public electronic communication networks that retransmit programming services and the providers of on-demand audiovisual media services are obliged to transmit their respective signals.

II. **Specific provisions**

Article 2

The signal collection sites shall be determined in accordance with the distribution zones defined in the Geneva 06 Plan, which is part of the Regional Radiocommunication Conference for planning of the digital terrestrial broadcasting service in parts of Regions 1 and 3 in the frequency bands 174-230 MHz and 470-862 Mhz (RRC-06), to which the Republic of Macedonia has acceded, except for Zone D1 – Crn Vrv, which consists of two broadcasting regions. i.e. Skopje and Veles.

Article З

The sites for collecting signals from the operators that retransmit programming services or the providers of on-demand audiovisual media services shall be located in the following cities and towns:

* Skopje for D1-Crn Vrv/Skopje Region, i.e. for the municipalities of Chucher Sandevo, Arachinovo, Ilinden, Petrovec, Zelenikovo, Studenichani and Sopishte;
* Veles for D1-Crn Vrv/Veles Region, i.e. for the municipalities of Veles, Chashka, Sveti Nikole, Lozovo, Gradsko, Rosoman, Negotino and Kavadarci;
* Kumanovo for D2-Stracin Region, i.e. for the municipalities of Kumanovo, Lipkovo, Staro Nagorichane, Rankovce, Kriva Palanka and Kratovo;
* Shtip for D3-Turtel Region, i.e. for the municipalities of Shtip, Probishtip, Kochani, Makedonska Kamenica, Cheshinovo-Obleshevo, Karbinci, Zrnovci, Vinica, Delchevo, Pehchevo and Berovo;
* Strumica for D4-Boskija Region, i.e. for the municipalities of Strumica, Radovish, Konche, Vasilevo, Bosilovo, Novo Selo, Dojran, Bogdanci, Valandovo and Gevgelija;
* Bitola for D5-Pelister Region, i.e. for the municipalities of Bitola, Prilep, Novaci, Mogila, Krivogashtani, Dolneni, Krushevo, Demir Hisar, Resen, Plasnica, Kichevo and Makedonski Brod;
* Ohrid for D6-Mali Vlaj Region, i.e. for the municipalities of Ohrid, Struga, Vevcani and Debarca;
* Debar for D7-Stogovo Region, i.e. for the municipalities of Debar, Mavrovo and Rostusha and Centar Zhupa, and
* Tetovo for D8-Popova Shapka Region, i.e. for the municipalities of Tetovo, Gostivar, Bogovinje, Brvenica, Vrapchište, Zhelino, Jegunovce and Tearce.

Operators that retransmit programming services and providers of on-demand audiovisual media services shall transmit their outgoing signals to the sites specified in this Article for the purpose of its further distribution to the programme monitoring system of the Agency for Audio and Audiovisual Media Services in Skopje.

Article 4

Operators that retransmit programming services or providers of on-demand audiovisual media services shall be obliged to continuously transmit their respective outgoing signals to the signal collection sites located in each of the regions specified in Article 3 of this Rulebook, conveying the same content as that available to their subscribers.

Operators that retransmit programming services or providers of on-demand audiovisual media services shall be obliged to transmit their respective outgoing signals from the test points.

Operators that retransmit programming services and providers of on-demand audiovisual media services shall be obliged to submit to the Agency for Audio and Audiovisual Media Services notarized statements that the outgoing signals they transmit to the signal collection sites carry identical content as that which they transmit to their end subscribers.

Article 5

Operators of public electronic communication networks and providers of on-demand audiovisual media services that provide different programme packages to their end users shall transmit to the signal collection sites signals containing all the programming services covered by their respective certificates for registration of collective analogue and/or digital programme packages. Operators of public electronic communication networks and providers of on-demand audiovisual media services that provide the same programme packages in different regions may deliver their outgoing signals to only one of the sites specified in Article 3 of this Rulebook. The signal they tranmsit shall contain all programming services covered by the registration certificates for collective analogue and/or digital programme packages.

Article 6

The signals that the operators of public electronic communication networks and the providers of on-demand audiovisual media services transmit to the signal collection sites specified in Article 3 of this Rulebook shall be compatible with the Agency’s programme monitoring system obtained for this purpose.

All costs associated with the transmission of outgoing signals to the signal collection sites shall be borne by the operators of public electronic communication networks and the providers of on-demand audiovisual media services.

**III. Transitional provisions**

Article 7

In the period from 1 to 31 July, 2016, testing shall be done of the quality of the signals that the operators that retransmit programming services and the providers of on-demand audiovisual media services transmit to the signal collection sites in accordance with Article 3 of this Rulebook.

**Entry into force**

Article 8

On the day of entry into force of this Rulebook, the Rulebook on Determining the sites for Collecting Signals from the Operators of Public Electronic Communication Networks and the Providers of On-Demand Audiovisual Media Services (Ref. No. 01-2408/1 dated 30.03.2015) and the Rulebook Amending and Supplementing the Rulebook on Determining the Sites for Collecting Signals from the Operators of Public Electronic Communication Networks and the Providers of On-Demand Audiovisual Media Services (No. 01-1158/1 dated 26.02.2016) shall cease to be valid.

Article 9

This Rulebook shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the “Official Gazette of the Republic of Macedonia,” and shall be implemented as of 1 August 2016.

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