

Regulatory Update

Argentina – following PCS regulatory update in January 2014 concerning product re-testing at renewal, Argentina Authority have confirmed that 2.4GHz WLAN products will also fall under this requirement.

In summary, in accordance with “*Protocolo de equipos de espectro ensanchado por salto en frecuencia*”, all WLAN (2.4GHz & 5GHz) and Bluetooth 4.0 products will require re-testing at the time of renewal.

1. For all devices currently being imported and sold in Argentina, manufacturers must ensure that the 5600 - 5650MHz portion of the 5GHz Band 3 (for all WLAN devices) is disabled* This corresponds to the following channels:
 - 802.11a and 802.11n (HT20): channels 120, 124 and 128
 - 802.11n (HT40): channels 118 and 126
 - 802.11ac (VHT80): channel 122
2. For new and renewal applications submitted for local testing, sample requirements remain unchanged. Local labs will simply not perform conformance testing in the 5600 - 5650MHz portion of 5GHz Band 3
3. In addition, all Bluetooth 4.0 and 2.4GHz WLAN radios will need to be re-tested at the time of renewal and in accordance with the new regulation
4. All current Approvals remain valid until their expiry

**A frequency notch is required for master devices, for client devices passive scanning only is sufficient.*

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