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# 5g base station electrical safety





## Overview

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Why should a 5G base station be protected?

In addition to potential damage originating on the power line, the base stations must be sturdy to environmental electrical hazards such as lightning and electrostatic discharge (ESD) strikes. Design engineers need to protect their 5G base stations from these electrical hazards to prevent damage to the bases station and avoid critical downtime.

Does 5G signal exposure affect base station compliance?

This agrees with measurements done in other countries whose authors conclude that the exposure to 5G signals is limited , , , but this does not assure the base station compliance as full load situation should be considered for such assessment. It also shows that the increase in the EMF field is due to the induced data traffic.

What is a 5G base station?

The base station connects to all wireless devices attempting communication within that geographic or coverage area. A 5G base station will include advanced, active antenna systems populated by numerous antennas in multiple input-multiple output (MI MO) configurations. These antennas provide: More efficient delivery of RF power. Figure 1.

Why is a 5G network a challenge?

5G networks deployment poses new challenges when evaluating human exposure to electromagnetic fields. Fast variation of the user load and beamforming techniques may cause large fluctuations of 5G base stations field level. They may be underestimated, resulting in compliance of base stations not fitting the requirements.



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