2020 Band Plans

In this edition of *RadCom* is the 2020 Band Plan. This year’s update is fairly modest and reflects some changes agreed at the IARU-Vienna meeting in April 2019 and a few other editorial changes:

- **HF:** There are no formal changes at HF. However, users are reminded of keeping fully in-band in the UK 5MHz allocation. The 60m band plan explicitly refers to more detailed advice online, where HF Manager Ian Greenshields, G4FSU has guidance on operating and staying legal. Separately, options for realigning the UK 60m allocation are being considered but may take some time.

- **VHF/UHF:** The 70cm band has been slightly updated, mainly to accommodate emerging wider bandwidth modes whilst maintaining guidance for normal FM and Digital Voice.

- **Microwave:** Deletion of a few redundant items such as PSK31 in 23cm.

- **Finally:** the ‘General Notes’ now includes a description for Centre of Activity, which had been missing.

In addition to *RadCom*, the latest band plan can be found on the Operating section of the RSGB website at rsgb.org/bandplans – and, if you are unsure, by all means contact either hf.manager@rsgb.org.uk, vhf.manager@rsgb.org.uk or microwave.manager@rsgb.org.uk

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