

**United States of America  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
EXPERIMENTAL  
SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATION**

EXPERIMENTAL

(Nature of Service)

WG9XHP

(Call Sign)

XT MO

(Class of Station)

0249-EX-ST-2021

(File Number)

NAME Space Exploration Technologies Corp. (SpaceX)

This Special Temporary Authorization is granted upon the express condition that it may be terminated by the Commission at any time without advance notice or hearing if in its discretion the need for such action arises. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a finding by the Commission that the authority herein granted is or will be in the public interest beyond the express terms hereof.

This Special Temporary Authorization shall not vest in the grantee any right to operate the station nor any right in the use of the frequencies designated in the authorization beyond the term hereof, nor in any other manner than authorized herein. Neither the authorization nor the right granted hereunder shall be assigned or otherwise transferred in violation of the Communications Act of 1934. This authorization is subject to the right of use of control the Government of the United States conferred by Section 706 of the Communications Act of 1934.

Special Temporary Authority is hereby granted to operate the apparatus described below:

**Purpose Of Operation:**

Launch vehicle communications and experimental first-stage recovery operation.

**Station Locations**

- (1) MOBILE: Pad39a, KSC: Launch vehicle 1st stage, sub-orbital
- (2) MOBILE: Pad 39a, KSC: Launch vehicle 2nd stage, orbital
- (3) MOBILE: BOAT, within 40.5 nautical miles, within 75 km, centered around NL 32-09-29; WL 76-44-29
- (4) MOBILE: Autonomous Drone Ship, within 40.5 nautical miles, within 75 km, centered around NL 32-09-29; WL 76-44-29

**Frequency Information**

MOBILE: Pad39a, KSC: Launch vehicle 1st stage, sub-orbital

| Frequency  | Station Class | Emission Designator | Authorized Power | Frequency Tolerance (+/-) |
|------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 2247.5 MHz | MO            | 4M84F1D             | 11.8 W (ERP)     | 0.000225 %                |
| 2255.5 MHz | MO            | 4M84F1D             | 10.8 W (ERP)     | 0.000225 %                |

This authorization effective April 01, 2021 and will expire 3:00 A.M. EST October 01, 2021

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## Frequency Information

MOBILE: Pad 39a, KSC: Launch vehicle 2nd stage, orbital

| Frequency  | Station Class | Emission Designator | Authorized Power | Frequency Tolerance (+/-) |
|------------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 2232.5 MHz | MO            | 4M14F1D             | 9.4 W (ERP)      | 0.000225 %                |
| 2272.5 MHz | MO            | 4M14F1D             | 9.6 W (ERP)      | 0.000225 %                |

MOBILE: BOAT, within 40.5 nautical miles, within 75 km, centered around NL 32-09-29; WL 76-44-29

| Frequency | Station Class | Emission Designator | Authorized Power | Frequency Tolerance (+/-) |
|-----------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 2090 MHz  | MO            | 800KG1D             | 3 W (ERP)        | 0.000225 %                |

MOBILE: Autonomous Drone Ship, within 40.5 nautical miles, within 75 km, centered around NL 32-09-29; WL 76-44-29

| Frequency | Station Class | Emission Designator | Authorized Power | Frequency Tolerance (+/-) |
|-----------|---------------|---------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| 2090 MHz  | MO            | 800KG1D             | 3 W (ERP)        | 0.000225 %                |

## Special Conditions:

- (1) Operation is subject to prior coordination with the local Society of Broadcast Engineers, Inc. (SBE) frequency coordinator. Consult the list at [https://www.sbe.org/sections/freq\\_local.php](https://www.sbe.org/sections/freq_local.php) to find the appropriate coordinator.
- (2) All operations shall be limited to telemetry, tracking, and launch vehicle communications for SpaceX F9 Mission 1402 from LC-39a at Kennedy Space Center, FL. This STA is limited to the single SpaceX F9 Mission 1402 from LC-39a, Kennedy Space Center, FL to include pre-launch checkout test of the command uplink from an onshore station at launch site, the first and second Stages, and experimental recovery operations (command of landed stage from a recovery boat) following the launch of SpaceX Mission 1402. This STA will expire as soon as the launch has been completed or 1 October 2021, whichever occurs first.

**Special Conditions:**

- (3) SpaceX shall be aware that future non-federal launches will be considered on a case-by-case basis, especially for requests in the band 2200-2290 MHz, and SpaceX shall have no expectations that future launches will be approved.
- (4) As soon as possible, but no later than 60 business days prior to the planned launch, SpaceX is required to provide operations and spaceflight trajectories to the Naval Surface Warfare Center, Dahlgren Division (NSWCDD). One (1) or more of six (6) blackout zones (BOZs) MAY be imposed as follows: (1) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 22N160W; (2) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 33.25N119.57W; (3) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 4.11N175.2W; and (4) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 57.46N152.38W; (5) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 32.37N106.47W. (6) 1500 nautical mile radius centered at 57.34N7.35W. The final launch schedule for this SpaceX mission will ultimately determine which, if any BOZ will be implemented. The primary contacts for frequency coordination: Mr. James Moneyhon, (540) 653-3477- james.moneyhon@navy.mil, Mr. A. Jason Verdugo, (540) 653-9590 – Anthony.J.Verdugo@navy.mil, and/or Mr. Phillip B. Scyphers, (540) 653-6071 – Phillip.scyphers@navy.mil. Group email box - W\_DLGR\_NSWC\_FTMA\_FM@navy.mil.
- (5) All transmissions in the band 2200-2290 MHz shall comply with national and international power flux density limits, unless otherwise coordinated and agreed to. PFD analysis and exceedances shall be provided in the FCC application and provided to the NTIA for US Government review.
- (6) The STOP BUZZER POC information, for launch operations shall be provided to NTIA (ravery@ntia.gov). This phone shall be manned 24/7.
- (7) Sixty (60) days prior to transmitting at LC-39a, Kennedy Space Center, FL, SpaceX shall coordinate and schedule their operations with Range Scheduling (1ropschd@us.af.mil, 321-853-5941), Jamie Bjornbak (James.P.Bjornbak@nasa.gov, 321-867-6905, NASA KSC SMO), and NASA GSFC Spectrum Office (NASA-DL-GSFC-Spectrum-Management@mail.nasa.gov), and provide a copy of the FCC license to the 45th Space Wing Spectrum Management Office, 321-853-8408, email: 45sw.erfmo@us.af.mil and DoD EAFC, 321-853-8426, email: 45sw.dodeafc@us.af.mil.
- (8) SpaceX shall keep a log of all transmissions in the band 2200-2290 MHz and provide to the NTIA after the mission. This log shall include, as a minimum, at least date, time, frequency, EIRP density, pointing direction of all antennas. The log shall be provided to the following NTIA personnel no later than three (3) weeks after completing the mission: ravery@ntia.gov and edrocella@ntia.doc.gov.
- (9) All SpaceX operations granted on an experimental basis shall be on an unprotected, non-interference basis to authorized federal stations.
- (10) As soon as possible, but no later than 60 business days prior to the planned launch, SpaceX is required to provide, as a minimum, launch date/time/window and planned first- and second-stage trajectory, transmission frequencies with associated duration/cut-off time to Jimmy Nguyen (jimmy.nguyen@us.af.mil, AFSMO), Shaobei Xu (shaobei.xu.1@us.af.mil, AFSMO), Felipe Arroyo (felipe.arroyo-1@nasa.gov, NASA/WFF), NASA GSFC Spectrum Office (NASA-DL-GSFC-Spectrum-Management@mail.nasa.gov), Stephen Horan (stephen.j.horan@nasa.gov, NASA/LaRC), NOAA Satellite Operations Control Center (Matt.G.Sullivan@noaa.gov), Richard Ontiveros, (richard.ontiveros1@navy.mil, NMSC), and NASA JSC Spectrum Office (JSC-DL-Spectrum-Management@mail.nasa.gov). In the event of last-minute changes, 48-hour notice is required.