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FREQUENCIES – FRENCH OVERSEAS TERRITORIES

Arcep issues the winning candidates licences to use frequencies in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guadeloupe, in Martinique and in Réunion, and in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guiana, in Saint Barthélemy, in Saint Martin and in Mayotte

Paris, 20 March 2025

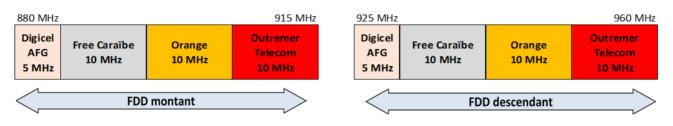
Arcep published the final results of the spectrum assignment procedures for the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guadeloupe, in Martinique and in Réunion, and for the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guiana, in Saint Barthélemy, in Saint Martin and in Mayotte on 11 March 2025¹. On **20 March** 2025, Arcep issued operators licences to use frequencies in these bands.

The issuance of these licences marks the completion of these assignment procedures.

Licenses issued in Guiana

In Guiana, the firms Digicel AFG, Free Caraïbe, Orange and Outremer Telecom are authorised to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands as of 1 May 2025, according to the following arrangements:

Arrangement of the 900 MHz band in Guiana as of 1 May 2025

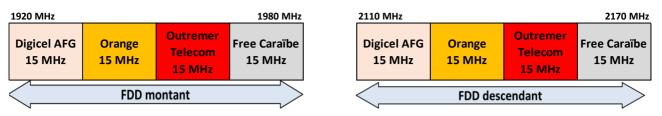


Arrangement of the 1800 MHz band in Guiana as of 1 May 2025

1710 MHz 1785			1785 MHz	1805 MHz			1880 MHz	
Orange 20 MHz	Outremer Telecom 20 MHz	Digicel AFG 20 MHz	Free Caraïbe 15 MHz		Orange 20 MHz	Outremer Telecom 20 MHz	Digicel AFG 20 MHz	Free Caraïbe 15 MHz
	FDD montant				$\langle -$	FDD descendant		

¹ Arcep press release of 11 March 2025

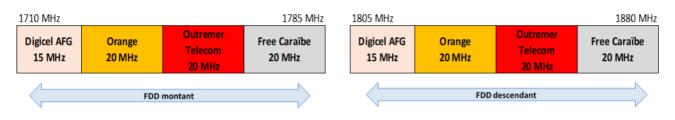
Arrangement of the 2.1 GHz band in Guiana as of 1 May 2025



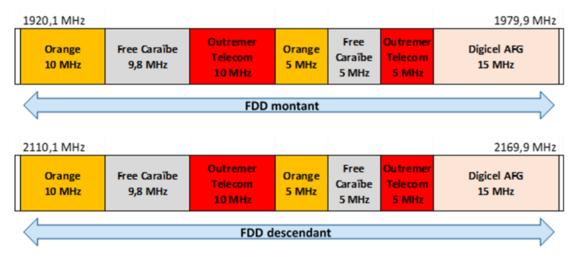
Licenses issued in Guadeloupe and in Martinique

In Guadeloupe and in Martinique, the firms Digicel AFG, Free Caraïbe, Orange and Outremer Telecom are authorised to use frequencies in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands as of 1 May 2025, according to the following arrangements:

Arrangement of the 1800 MHz band in Guadeloupe and in Martinique as of 1 May 2025



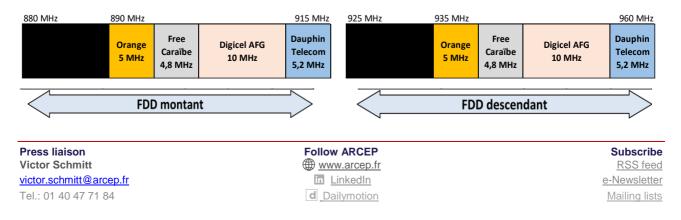
Arrangement of the 2.1 GHz band in Guadeloupe and in Martinique as of 1 May 2025



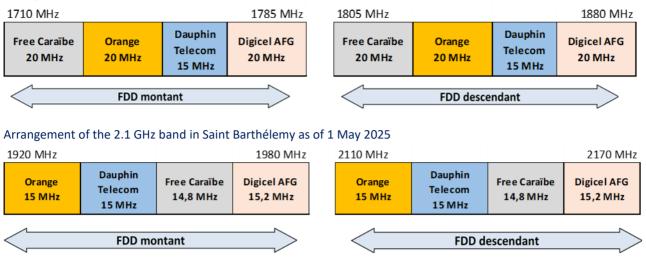
Licenses issued in Saint Barthélemy and in Saint Martin

In Saint Barthélemy, the firms Dauphin Telecom, Digicel AFG, Free Caraïbe and Orange are authorised to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands as of 1 May 2025, according to the following arrangements:

Arrangement of the 900 MHz band in Saint Barthélemy as of 1 May 2025

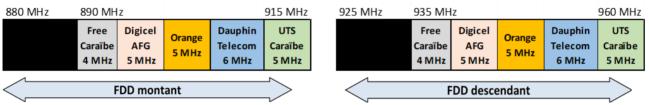


Arrangement of the 1800 MHz band in Saint Barthélemy as of 1 May 2025

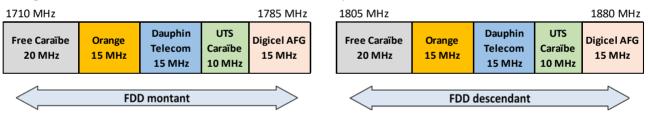


In Saint Martin, the firms Dauphin Telecom, Digicel AFG, Free Caraïbe, Orange and UTS Caraïbe are authorised to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands as of 1 May 2025, according to the following arrangements:

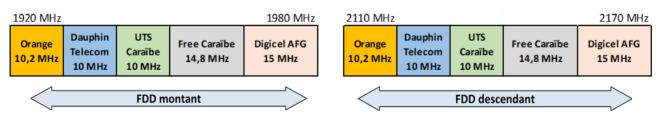
Arrangement of the 900 MHz band in Saint Martin as of 1 May 2025



Arrangement of the 1800 MHz band in Saint Martin as of 1 May 2025



Arrangement of the 2.1 GHz band in Saint Martin as of 1 May 2025



Licenses issued in Réunion

In Réunion, the firms Orange, SRR, Telco OI and Zeop Mobile are authorised to use frequencies in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands as of 1 May 2025, according to the following arrangements:

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Arrangement of the 1800 MHz band in Réunion as of 1 May 2025



Arrangement of the 2.1 GHz band in Réunion as of 1 May 2025



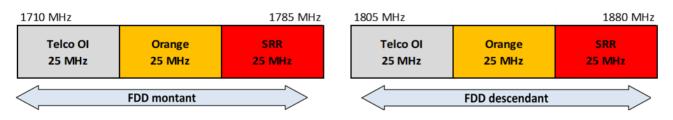
Licenses issued in Mayotte

In Mayotte, the firms Orange, SRR and Telco OI are authorised to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands as of 1 May 2025, according to the following arrangements:

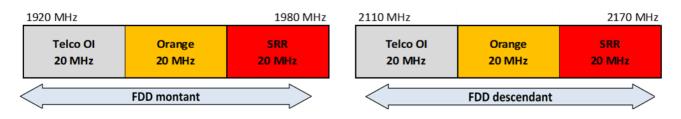
Arrangement of the 900 MHz band in Mayotte as of 1 May 2025



Arrangement of the 1800 MHz band in Mayotte as of 1 May 2025



Arrangement of the 2.1 GHz band in Mayotte as of 1 May 2025



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Recap of the previous stages of the procedures

The Government launched these procedures in July 2024.

In November 2024, Arcep accepted the applications of the firms:

- Digicel AFG, Free Caraïbe, Orange and Outremer Telecom to participate in the spectrum assignment procedures in Guiana in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands;
- Digicel AFG, Orange and Outremer Telecom to participate in the spectrum assignment procedures in Guadeloupe and in Martinique in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands;
- Dauphin Telecom, Digicel AFG and Orange to participate in the spectrum assignment procedures in Saint Barthélemy in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands;
- Dauphin Telecom, Digicel AFG, Orange and UTS Caraïbe to participate in the spectrum assignment procedures in Saint Martin in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands;
- Orange, SRR and Telco OI to participate in the spectrum assignment procedures in Mayotte in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands;
- Orange, SRR, Telco OI and Zeop Mobile to participate in the spectrum assignment procedures in Réunion in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands.

The tender examination stage served to determine the exact frequencies that would be assigned to each of the winning candidates in the 2.1 GHz band in Guiana, in Réunion and in Mayotte, and in the 1800 MHz band in Mayotte, as well as the amount of 2.1 GHz band spectrum assigned in Guadeloupe and in Martinique.

The principal auctions for the assignment of spectrum that will be available as of 1 May 2025, and which were held on 17 December 2024², served to determine the quantity of remaining spectrum obtained by each of the winning candidates, as well as the orders of priority, established in accordance with the numbering of the portfolios, starting with portfolio No. 1.

In Guadeloupe and in Martinique, the positioning auction for the 2.1 GHz band, whose three stages took place on 14 January 2025, 28 January 2025 and 6 February 2025, served to determine the position of each of the winning candidates' 5 MHz duplex pair block, which they had obtained at the outcome of the application examination stage.

Arcep determined the positioning of frequencies in Guiana in the 900 MHz and 1800 MHz bands, in Guadeloupe and in Martinique in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands, in Saint Barthélemy and in Saint Martin in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands, in Réunion in the 1800 MHz band and in Mayotte in the 900 MHz band, as of 1 May 2025, after having consulted with operators concerned.

Associated documents

- Page dedicated to the procedure
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0535 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Digicel AFG to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guiana to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0536 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Free Caraïbe to use frequencies in the 900 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guiana to establish and operate a public mobile radio network and amending Arcep Decision No. 2017-1038 of 5 September 2017;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0537 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Orange to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guiana to establish and operate a public mobile radio network and amending Arcep Decision No. 2023-1985 of 19 September 2023;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0538 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Outremer Telecom to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guiana to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0539 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Digicel AFG to use frequencies in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guadeloupe and in Martinique to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;

² Press release of 19 December 2024

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- Arcep Decision No. 2025 0540 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Orange to use frequencies in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guadeloupe and in Martinique to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0541 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Outremer Telecom to use frequencies in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guadeloupe and in Martinique to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0542 of 20 March 2025 amending Arcep Decision No. 2017-1038 of 5 September 2017 authorising the firm Free Caraïbe to use frequencies in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Guadeloupe and in Martinique;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0543 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Dauphin Telecom to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Saint Barthélemy and in Saint Martin to establish and operate a public mobile radio network and amending Arcep Decision No. 2016-1523 of 22 November 2016;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0544 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Digicel AFG to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Saint Barthélemy and in Saint Martin to establish and operate a public mobile radio network and amending Arcep Decision No. 2016-1522 of 22 November 2016;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0545 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Orange to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Saint Barthélemy and in Saint Martin to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0546 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm UTS Caraïbe to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Saint Martin to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0547 of 20 March 2025 amending Arcep Decision No. 2017-1038 of 5 September 2017 authorising the firm Free Caraïbe to use frequencies in the 900 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Saint Barthélemy and in Saint Martin;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0548 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Orange to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Mayotte to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0549 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Réunionnaise du Radiotéléphone to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Mayotte to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0550 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Telco OI to use frequencies in the 900 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Mayotte to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0551 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Orange to use frequencies in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Réunion to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0552 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Réunionnaise du Radiotéléphone to use frequencies in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Réunion to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0553 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Telco OI to use frequencies in the 1800 MHz and 2.1 GHz bands in Réunion to establish and operate a public mobile radio network;
- Arcep Decision No. 2025-0554 of 20 March 2025 authorising the firm Zeop Mobile to use frequencies in the 2.1 GHz band in Réunion to establish and operate a public mobile radio network and amending Arcep Decision No. 2016-1527 of 22 November 2016.

Arcep at a glance

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