
2.7 Connections- Registered Equipment and Services**2.7.1 Registered Terminal Equipment, Registered Protective Circuitry and Registered Multiline Terminating Systems**

Terminal equipment, protective circuitry, and multiline terminating systems that are registered may be directly connected at the Customer's premises to IITS, subject to Part 68 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations, if:

- A. All combinations of registered equipment or systems and associated non-registered terminal equipment (including but not limited to wiring) are installed, operated and maintained so that the requirements of Part 68 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations are continually satisfied.
- B. The Customer provides the following information to the Telephone Company prior to the connection of Customer-provided equipment or systems:
 - (1) the Registration Number
 - (2) the Ringer Equivalence Number and Type
 - (3) the type of Telephone Company-provided standard jack required
 - (4) the line(s) to which the equipment or system will be connected
 - (5) information concerning the premises wiring associated with multiline terminating systems (when required).
- C. The Customer notifies the Telephone Company when the Customer-provided registered equipment or system is permanently disconnected.
- D. The Ringer Equivalence of the equipment or system in combination with the total Ringer Equivalence of other equipment connected to the same line does not exceed the allowable maximum of five or as otherwise determined by the Telephone Company.
- E. The ringer type is designated by the Telephone Company as suitable for that particular line.
- F. All connections of registered equipment or systems are made through Telephone Company-provided standard jacks. In certain cases there are exceptions: (a) registered multiline terminating systems may be connected through standard jacks wired in other than a standard manner, when agreed to by the Telephone Company, or (b) registered equipment which is in a hazardous or inaccessible location may be connected as set forth in 12.4, following.

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The Telephone Company will install and maintain all premises wiring utilized with a Telephone Company-provided multiline terminating system. It will assume the responsibility to assure that the regulations pertaining to premises wiring in Part 68 of the FCC's Rules and Regulations are continually met. The Customer may not install, rearrange, or remove any premises wiring provided with a Telephone Company-provided multiline terminating system.

2.7.3 Premises Wiring Used in Connection with Customer-Provided Multiline Terminating Systems

When Customer-provided multiline terminating systems utilize Fully-Protected Premises Wiring, no further action is required. However, when a Customer elects to install, connect, reconfigure, or remove other than Fully-Protected Premises Wiring with a Customer-provided multiline terminating system, the appropriate institutional controls specified in Part 68 of the FCC's Rules and Regulations must be followed. These controls are not applicable when the preceding activities are accomplished functionally using a cross-connect panel or when the entire multiline terminating system is removed.

A. Institutional Controls

Institutional controls require that:

- (1) At least 10 days advance notice must be given to the Telephone Company in the form of a notarized affidavit before placement and connection of the premises wiring. (This time period may be changed by agreement of the Telephone Company and the installation supervisor.) A copy of the affidavit must also be maintained at the Customer's premises.
- (2) If the premises wiring being stalled is classified as unprotected, the work must be supervised by an installation supervisor who has been trained by the equipment manufacturer, received written authority to install their equipment, and has at least six months experience in this type of work. A licensed professional engineer (as specified in Part 68 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations) may also supervise the work, but does not have to meet these conditions.
- (3) If the premises wiring being installed is classified as partially protected, the work must be supervised by an installation supervisor who has at least six months experience in this type of work. However, the supervisor is not required to be trained by or have written authority from the equipment manufacturer. A licensed professional engineer may also supervise the work, but does not have to meet these conditions.

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- (4) An installation supervisor or licensed professional engineer may submit an application for a blanket affidavit number to the Telephone Company(s) within each state in lieu of individual affidavits. This blanket affidavit number will be assigned on a yearly basis by each Telephone Company. Prior to each installation thereafter, this blanket affidavit number must be submitted to the Telephone Company

B. Extraordinary Procedures

- (1) When Customer-provided multiline terminating systems are utilized, the Telephone Company may invoke the extra-ordinary procedures that are specified in Part 68 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations where one or more of the following conditions are present:
 - (a) Information provided in the aforementioned affidavit gives reason to believe that a violation of Part 68 is likely.
 - (b) A failure has occurred during acceptance testing for imbalance.
 - (c) Harm has occurred, and there is reason to believe that this harm was a result of wiring operations performed under Part 68.
 - (d) Disconnecting service.

When the activities in (a) or (b), preceding, disclose a failure to comply with Part 68 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules and Regulations, the Customer is responsible for the payment of a charge equal to the Maintenance of Service charge as specified in the General and Local Exchange Service Tariffs and/or this Guidebook of the Telephone Company.

2.7.4 Connections Involving National Defense and Security

- A. In certain cases, Part 68 of the FCC's Rules and Regulations permit the connection of nonregistered terminal equipment or multiline terminating systems to IITS, if:
 1. The Secretary of Defense, the head of any other governmental department (having requisite FCC approval), or their authorized representative certifies in writing to the Telephone Company that:
 - (a) the connection is required in the interest of national defense and security;
 - (b) the equipment to be connected either complies with the technical requirements of Part 68 or will not cause harm to IITS or Telephone Company employees; and
 - (c) the work is supervised by an installation supervisor who meets the qualifications stated in Part 68.