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| *CR-Form-v12.3* | | | | | | | | |
| **CHANGE REQUEST** | | | | | | | | |
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|  | **38.101-1** | **CR** | **2317** | **rev** | **1** | **Current version:** | **18.5.0** |  |
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| *For* ***[HELP](http://www.3gpp.org/3G_Specs/CRs.htm" \l "_blank)*** *on using this form: comprehensive instructions can be found at  <http://www.3gpp.org/Change-Requests>.* | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Proposed change affects:*** | UICC apps |  | ME | **x** | Radio Access Network |  | Core Network |  |

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| ***Title:*** | CR for TS 38.101-1: Define the reserved GSCN / ARFCN-ValueNR and NR operating band | | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Source to WG:*** | ZTE Corporation, Sanechips, Nokia, Qualcomm, Huawei, HiSilicon | | | | | | | | | |
| ***Source to TSG:*** | R4 | | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Work item code:*** | NR\_FR1\_lessthan\_5MHz\_BW-Core | | | | |  | ***Date:*** | | | 2024-05-10 |
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| ***Category:*** | **F** |  | | | | | ***Release:*** | | | Rel-18 |
|  | *Use one of the following categories:* ***F*** *(correction)* ***A*** *(mirror corresponding to a change in an earlier release)* ***B*** *(addition of feature),* ***C*** *(functional modification of feature)* ***D*** *(editorial modification)*  Detailed explanations of the above categories can be found in 3GPP [TR 21.900](http://www.3gpp.org/ftp/Specs/html-info/21900.htm). | | | | | | | | *Use one of the following releases: Rel-8 (Release 8) Rel-9 (Release 9) Rel-10 (Release 10) Rel-11 (Release 11) … Rel-17 (Release 17) Rel-18 (Release 18) Rel-19 (Release 19)  Rel-20 (Release 20)* | |
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| ***Reason for change:*** | | To solve backward compatibility issue for legacy UEs not supporting less than 5MHz but provided with a neighbour cell with SSB on the new GSCN value, RAN2 introduces new signallings of dl-CarrierFreq-r18 and frequencyBandList-r18 in SIB4 for the cells with <5MHz BW. However, legacy signallings are mandatory, RAN2 proposes to set legacy fields as reserved values, which will be ignored by the new UE, when the new fields are indicated. From RAN4 perspective, we can define NR band n200 and GSCN=2 (corresponding to ARFCN-ValueNR = 250) as reserved values. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Summary of change:*** | | Introduce band n200 and GSCN=2 (corresponding to ARFCN-ValueNR = 250) as reserved values. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Consequences if not approved:*** | | Backward compatibility issue for legacy UEs not supporting less than 5MHz but provided with a neighbour cell with SSB on the new GSCN value can not be solved completely. | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Clauses affected:*** | | 5.2, 5.4.3.1 | | | | | | | | |
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| ***Other specs*** | |  | **x** | Other core specifications | | | | TS/TR ... CR ... | | |
| ***affected:*** | | **x** |  | Test specifications | | | | 38.521-1 | | |
| ***(show related CRs)*** | |  | **x** | O&M Specifications | | | | TS/TR ... CR ... | | |
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| ***Other comments:*** | |  | | | | | | | | |
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| ***This CR's revision history:*** | |  | | | | | | | | |

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## 5.2 Operating bands

NR is designed to operate in the FR1 operating bands defined in Table 5.2-1.

Table 5.2-1: NR operating bands in FR1

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| NR operating band | Uplink (UL) *operating band* BS receive / UE transmit  FUL\_low  – FUL\_high | Downlink (DL) *operating band* BS transmit / UE receive  FDL\_low – FDL\_high | Duplex Mode |
| n1 | 1920 MHz – 1980 MHz | 2110 MHz – 2170 MHz | FDD |
| n2 | 1850 MHz – 1910 MHz | 1930 MHz – 1990 MHz | FDD |
| n3 | 1710 MHz – 1785 MHz | 1805 MHz – 1880 MHz | FDD |
| n5 | 824 MHz – 849 MHz | 869 MHz – 894 MHz | FDD |
| n7 | 2500 MHz – 2570 MHz | 2620 MHz – 2690 MHz | FDD |
| n8 | 880 MHz – 915 MHz | 925 MHz – 960 MHz | FDD |
| n12 | 699 MHz – 716 MHz | 729 MHz – 746 MHz | FDD |
| n13 | 777 MHz – 787 MHz | 746 MHz – 756 MHz | FDD |
| n14 | 788 MHz – 798 MHz | 758 MHz – 768 MHz | FDD |
| n18 | 815 MHz – 830 MHz | 860 MHz – 875 MHz | FDD |
| n20 | 832 MHz – 862 MHz | 791 MHz – 821 MHz | FDD |
| n2416 | 1626.5 MHz – 1660.5 MHz | 1525 MHz – 1559 MHz | FDD |
| n25 | 1850 MHz – 1915 MHz | 1930 MHz – 1995 MHz | FDD |
| n26 | 814 MHz – 849 MHz | 859 MHz – 894 MHz | FDD |
| n28 | 703 MHz – 748 MHz | 758 MHz – 803 MHz | FDD |
| n29 | N/A | 717 MHz – 728 MHz | SDL19 |
| n303 | 2305 MHz – 2315 MHz | 2350 MHz – 2360 MHz | FDD |
| n31 | 452.5 MHz – 457.5 MHz | 462.5 MHz – 467.5 MHz | FDD |
| n34 | 2010 MHz – 2025 MHz | 2010 MHz – 2025 MHz | TDD |
| n3810 | 2570 MHz – 2620 MHz | 2570 MHz – 2620 MHz | TDD |
| n39 | 1880 MHz – 1920 MHz | 1880 MHz – 1920 MHz | TDD |
| n40 | 2300 MHz – 2400 MHz | 2300 MHz – 2400 MHz | TDD |
| n41 | 2496 MHz – 2690 MHz | 2496 MHz – 2690 MHz | TDD |
| n46 | 5150 MHz – 5925 MHz | 5150 MHz – 5925 MHz | TDD13 |
| n4711 | 5855 MHz – 5925 MHz | 5855 MHz – 5925 MHz | TDD |
| n48 | 3550 MHz – 3700 MHz | 3550 MHz – 3700 MHz | TDD |
| n50 | 1432 MHz – 1517 MHz | 1432 MHz – 1517 MHz | TDD1 |
| n51 | 1427 MHz – 1432 MHz | 1427 MHz – 1432 MHz | TDD |
| n53 | 2483.5 MHz – 2495 MHz | 2483.5 MHz – 2495 MHz | TDD |
| n54 | 1670 MHz – 1675 MHz | 1670 MHz – 1675 MHz | TDD |
| n65 | 1920 MHz – 2010 MHz | 2110 MHz – 2200 MHz | FDD4 |
| n66 | 1710 MHz – 1780 MHz | 2110 MHz – 2200 MHz | FDD |
| n67 | N/A | 738 MHz – 758 MHz | SDL19 |
| n70 | 1695 MHz – 1710 MHz | 1995 MHz – 2020 MHz | FDD |
| n71 | 663 MHz – 698 MHz | 617 MHz – 652 MHz | FDD |
| n72 | 451 MHz – 456 MHz | 461 MHz – 466 MHz | FDD |
| n74 | 1427 MHz – 1470 MHz | 1475 MHz – 1518 MHz | FDD |
| n75 | N/A | 1432 MHz – 1517 MHz | SDL19 |
| n76 | N/A | 1427 MHz – 1432 MHz | SDL19 |
| n7712 | 3300 MHz – 4200 MHz | 3300 MHz – 4200 MHz | TDD |
| n78 | 3300 MHz – 3800 MHz | 3300 MHz – 3800 MHz | TDD |
| n7917 | 4400 MHz – 5000 MHz | 4400 MHz – 5000 MHz | TDD |
| n80 | 1710 MHz – 1785 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n81 | 880 MHz – 915 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n82 | 832 MHz – 862 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n83 | 703 MHz – 748 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n84 | 1920 MHz – 1980 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n85 | 698 MHz – 716 MHz | 728 MHz – 746 MHz | FDD |
| n86 | 1710 MHz – 1780 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n89 | 824 MHz – 849 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n90 | 2496 MHz – 2690 MHz | 2496 MHz – 2690 MHz | TDD5 |
| n91 | 832 MHz – 862 MHz | 1427 MHz – 1432 MHz | FDD9 |
| n92 | 832 MHz – 862 MHz | 1432 MHz – 1517 MHz | FDD9 |
| n93 | 880 MHz – 915 MHz | 1427 MHz – 1432 MHz | FDD9 |
| n94 | 880 MHz – 915 MHz | 1432 MHz – 1517 MHz | FDD9 |
| n958 | 2010 MHz – 2025 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n9614 | 5925 MHz – 7125 MHz | 5925 MHz – 7125 MHz | TDD13 |
| n9715 | 2300 MHz – 2400 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n9815 | 1880 MHz – 1920 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n9916 | 1626.5 MHz – 1660.5 MHz | N/A | SUL |
| n100 | 874.4 MHz – 880 MHz | 919.4 MHz – 925 MHz | FDD |
| n101 | 1900 MHz – 1910 MHz | 1900 MHz – 1910 MHz | TDD |
| n10214 | 5925 MHz – 6425 MHz | 5925 MHz – 6425 MHz | TDD13 |
| n10417,18 | 6425 MHz – 7125 MHz | 6425 MHz – 7125 MHz | TDD |
| n105 | 663 MHz – 703 MHz | 612 MHz – 652 MHz | FDD |
| n106 | 896 MHz – 901 MHz | 935 MHz – 940 MHz | FDD |
| n109 | 703 MHz – 733 MHz | 1432 MHz – 1517 MHz | FDD9 |
| NOTE 1: UE that complies with the NR Band n50 minimum requirements in this specification shall also comply with the NR Band n51 minimum requirements.  NOTE 2: UE that complies with the NR Band n75 minimum requirements in this specification shall also comply with the NR Band n76 minimum requirements.  NOTE 3: Uplink transmission is not allowed at this band for UE with external vehicle-mounted antennas.  NOTE 4: A UE that complies with the NR Band n65 minimum requirements in this specification shall also comply with the NR Band n1 minimum requirements.  NOTE 5: Unless otherwise stated, the applicability of requirements for Band n90 is in accordance with that for Band n41; a UE supporting Band n90 shall meet the requirements for Band n41. A UE supporting Band n90 shall also support band n41.  NOTE 6: A UE that supports NR Band n66 shall receive in the entire DL operating band.  NOTE 7: A UE that supports NR Band n66 and CA operation in any CA band shall also comply with the minimum requirements specified for the DL CA configurations CA\_n66B and CA\_n66(2A) in the current version of the specification.  NOTE 8: This band is applicable in China only.  NOTE 9: Variable duplex operation does not enable dynamic variable duplex configuration by the network, and is used such that DL and UL frequency ranges are supported independently in any valid frequency range for the band.  NOTE 10: When this band is used for V2X SL service, the band is exclusively used for NR V2X in particular regions.  NOTE 11: This band is unlicensed band used for V2X service. There is no expected network deployment in this band.  NOTE 12: In the USA this band is restricted to 3450 – 3550 MHz and 3700 – 3980 MHz. In Canada this band is restricted to 3450 – 3650 MHz and 3650 – 3980 MHz.  NOTE 13: This band is restricted to operation with shared spectrum channel access as defined in 37.213.  NOTE 14: This band is applicable only in countries/regions designating this band for shared-spectrum access use subject to country-specific conditions.  NOTE 15: The requirements for this band are applicable only where no other NR or E-UTRA TDD operating band(s) are used within the frequency range of this band in the same geographical area. For scenarios where other NR or E-UTRA TDD operating band(s) are used within the frequency range of this band in the same geographical area, special co-existence requirements may apply that are not covered by the 3GPP specifications.  NOTE 16: DL operation in this band is restricted to 1526 – 1536 MHz and UL operation is restricted to 1627.5 – 1637.5 MHz and 1646.5 – 1656.5 MHz.  NOTE 17: For this band, CORESET#0 values from Table 13-5 or Table 13-6 in [8, TS 38.213] are applied regardless of the minimum channel bandwidth.  NOTE 18: This band is applicable only in countries/regions designating this band for IMT licensed operation subject to country-specific conditions.  NOTE 19: For SDL bands, downlink configuration for RRM performance testing is same as FDD.  NOTE 20: Operating band n200 is a reserved value. | | | |

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#### 5.4.3.1 Synchronization raster and numbering

The synchronization raster indicates the frequency positions of the synchronization block that can be used by the UE for system acquisition when explicit signalling of the synchronization block position is not present.

A global synchronization raster is defined for all frequencies. The frequency position of the SS block is defined as SSREF with corresponding number GSCN. The parameters defining the SSREF and GSCN for all the frequency ranges are in Table 5.4.3.1-1 for above 3 MHz channel bandwidth and in table 5.4.3.1-2 for 3 MHz channel bandwidth.

For band n100, additional parameters defining the SSREF and GSCN are specified in table 5.4.3.1-3.

The resource element corresponding to the SS block reference frequency SSREF is given in clause 5.4.3.2. The synchronization raster and the subcarrier spacing of the synchronization block is defined separately for each band.

The synchronization raster and the corresponding SS block do not cover all possible RF channel bandwidths and locations on Enhanced channel raster.

Table 5.4.3.1-1: GSCN parameters for the global frequency raster for above 3 MHz channel bandwidth

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| Frequency range | SS Block frequency position SSREF | GSCN | Range of GSCN |
| 0 – 3000 MHz | N \* 1200kHz + M \* 50 kHz,  N=1:2499, M ϵ {1,3,5} 1 | 3N + (M-3)/2 | 22 – 7498 |
| 3000 – 24250 MHz | 3000 MHz + N \* 1.44 MHz  N = 0:14756 | 7499 + N | 7499 – 22255 |
| NOTE 1: The default value for operating bands with which only support SCS spaced channel raster(s) is M=3.  NOTE 2: GSCN=2 (corresponding to ARFCN-ValueNR = 250) is a reserved value paired with reserved operating band n200. | | | |

Table 5.4.3.1-2: GSCN parameters for the global frequency for 3 MHz channel bandwidth

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| Range of frequencies (MHz) | SS block frequency position SSREF | GSCN | Range of GSCN |
| 0 – 1000 | N \* 600 kHz + M \* 50 kHz + 300 kHz,  N = 1:1665, M ϵ {1,3,5} (Note 1) | 26638+3N + (M-3)/2 | 26640 – 31634 |
| NOTE 1: Only applicable for 15 PRB transmission bandwidth configuration within 3 MHz channel bandwidth with punctured PBCH defined in TS 38.211 [6] clause 7.4.3.1. | | | |

Table 5.4.3.1-3: Additional GSCN parameters for band n100

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| SS Block frequency position SSREF  (MHz) | GSCN | Note |
| 920.73 | 41637 | Only applicable for 12 PRB transmission bandwidth configuration within 3 MHz channel with punctured PBCH defined in TS 38.211 [6] clause 7.4.3.1. |
| 921.45 | 41638 | Only applicable for 20 PRB transmission bandwidth configuration within 5 MHz channel with unpunctured PBCH defined in TS 38.211 [6] clause 7.4.3.1. |

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