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1 Device Description

FreeFit is used for measuring the sound pressure level close to the client’s eardrum as well as outside the ear by the pinna for both ears simultaneously.

AURICAL FreeFit should only be charged using the type 1053 charger unit or the type 1081 AURICAL speaker unit from GN Otometrics A/S.

Note • This manual describes the assembly and use of the type 1053 charger unit. If you use the AURICAL speaker unit to charge your FreeFit, see the manual for AURICAL Aud.

Note • For information about the Counseling and Simulations software, see the manual for AURICAL Visible Speech and the Counseling and Simulations Module.

You use the OTOsuite PMM module and the Counseling and Simulations module to operate FreeFit. FreeFit cannot be used without OTOsuite software.

2 Intended use

Users: audiologists, hearing instrument dispensers, ENTs, speech therapists and other health care professionals.

Use: to visualize the amplified signal recorded in the ear with reference information such as target curves to provide an objective basis for adjusting the hearing instrument settings.

2.1 Typographical conventions

The use of Warning, Caution and Note

To draw your attention to information regarding safe and appropriate use of the device or software, the manual uses precautionary statements as follows:

Warning • Indicates that there is a risk of death or serious injury to the user or patient.
3 Unpacking FreeFit

1. Unpack the device carefully.
   When you unpack the device and accessories, it is a good idea to keep the packing material in which they were delivered. If you need to send the device in for service, the original packing material will protect against damage during transport, etc.

2. Visually inspect the equipment for possible damage.
   If damage has occurred, do not put the device into operation. Contact your local distributor for assistance.

3. Check with the packing list to make sure that you have received all necessary parts and accessories. If your package is incomplete, contact your local distributor.

4 Installation

Installation for desk top use
Wall mount installation
Mounting the NOAHLink charger on the FreeFit charger base plate
5 Powering the device

**Caution** • Use only the following battery types:
- Rechargeable (Ni-MH type) AA (R6) 1.2V, 1 pc. (Use only rechargeable batteries supplied by GN Otometrics A/S)
- Alkaline AA (R6) 1.2V, 1 pc.

A. Press to open

5.1 Recharging the battery using the charger stand

**Warning** • If you are using an alkaline battery, do not attempt to charge your AURICAL FreeFit. Your alkaline battery may be damaged and leak, and this may in turn cause damage to FreeFit. Place FreeFit in the charger unit only if FreeFit contains a rechargeable battery. Batteries should be removed if equipment is not likely to be used for some time.

**Caution** • To power the charger, you must use an IEC/UL 60601-01 certified power adaptor supplying 9 V DC, min. 300 mA and with a maximum available output of 15 W. The adapter supplied with the unit meets these specifications.
6 Switching FreeFit on or off

**Warning** • Unless you are charging FreeFit with the AURICAL Aud speaker unit, which has a medically isolated power supply unit, do not attempt to use AURICAL FreeFit with clients while it is placed in the charger unit.

**To switch on FreeFit**
Press and hold the power button on top of the device until the status indicator light turns on. The status indicator will light for about 3 seconds, and then go into periodic flashing.

**To switch off FreeFit**
Press and hold the power button on top of the device until the status indicator light turns off.

A. Power button

7 Connecting FreeFit to PMM

When you use PMM for the first time, run the configuration wizard to set up the connection between FreeFit and PMM. After you have configured PMM for the first time, if FreeFit is turned on when you open the Control Panel in PMM, then FreeFit will connect to PMM automatically. Otherwise, you can connect FreeFit as follows:

1. Switch on FreeFit.
2. In PMM, on the toolbar, click Control Panel.
3. In the control panel, click Connect.
8 FreeFit probes

A. Probe tube port
B. Marker ring
C. Ear cord
D. Tube guide
E. Probe tube
F. Transducer tube port (RECD probe only)
G. Probe housing

The ear cord is used to hang the probe below the client’s ear. The probe tube is inserted into the ear canal for probe microphone measurements. The probe tube has a black marker ring for marking how far into the ear canal the tube should be inserted. The tube guide is used to stabilize the position of the probe tube. Before you make RECD measurements, you fit a transducer tube on the transducer tube port.

8.1 Fitting probe tubes on the probes

A bag of silicone probe tubes is supplied together with FreeFit.

To fit a probe tube on the probe
Fit a probe tube to the probe tube port (thin metal tube) at the top of the probe housing. Gently push and twist the probe tube down as far as possible over the port.

8.2 Calibrating the probe tubes

Note • To prevent cross-infection, use new probe tubes for each client.

1. Fit a new probe tube on the probe.
2. Insert the free end of the probe tube in the test location on the probe.
3. Make sure that FreeFit is connected to PMM.
4. Press the power button briefly on FreeFit.
   The **Probe Tube Calibration** dialog box appears and the calibration starts automatically.
   Alternatively, launch the wizard with the toolbar icon. (In RECD, pressing the power button starts an ear measurement.)
5. If the tube calibration fails, check whether the tubes are blocked (pinched or clogged) and try to eliminate sources of ambient noise.

### 8.3 Fitting the probes on the client and inserting the probe tubes

It is important that the probe tube for every measurement is inserted correctly and consistently in the ear of the client.

1. Place the black marker ring at the recommended distance from the tip of the probe tube.
   Recommended distances are
   - men: 27 mm
   - women: 27 mm
   - children: 20-25 mm
   In the case of children, otoscopy is especially recommended to prevent contact with the eardrum.
2. Place the ear cords with the probes over the ears of the client. Adjust the length of the ear cords, if required.
3. **Be careful!**
   Carefully insert the probe tube into the ear canal until the black marker ring reaches the intertragal notch.

9 **Toolbar icons in PMM and Counseling and Simulations**

The icons available in the toolbar depend on the test function that you have selected.

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*Note: You must select the Use **OpenREM calibration** option if you are fitting an open ear instrument.*
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10 Simulating hearing loss

The buttons that are available in the Control Panel depend on:

- The **Speaker Channel** setting in the Configuration Wizard (Left or Right for one speaker or Left + Right for two speakers)
- The **Sound Output** setting in Options (Headphone or Speaker).

**Hearing Loss Simulator - with headphones or two speakers**

Play the selected signal. While the signal plays, you can switch between presenting the signal in the following modes:

- without hearing loss simulation, or
- with hearing loss simulation for both ears.

**Note** • When you use headphones or two speakers, you can use the volume slider to lower the volume of one speaker or headphone, in order to demonstrate one ear at a time.

**Hearing Loss Simulator - with one speaker**

Play the selected signal. While the signal plays, you can switch between presenting the signal in the following modes:

- without hearing loss simulation, or
- with hearing loss simulation for selected ears. (If you select Both, the hearing losses from both ears are simulated together in the single speaker.)
10.1 Without simulation

A. Status indicator  
B. Normal HTLs  
C. Client’s HTLs (inactive)  
D. Speech Banana and Speech Letters (default overlays)  
E. Unusable Area (default overlay)

10.2 With simulation

A. Area of opportunity  
B. Predicted UCL (no symbols)  
C. Measured UCL (symbols)  
D. Unusable Area (default overlay)
11 Simulating hearing instruments

The buttons that are available in the Control Panel depend on:

- The **Speaker Channel** setting in the Configuration Wizard (Left or Right for one speaker or Left + Right for two speakers)
- The **Sound Output** setting in Options (Headphone or Speaker).

**Hearing Instrument Simulator - with one speaker**

Play the selected signal. While the signal plays, you can switch between presenting the signal in the following modes:

- without hearing instrument simulation, or
- with hearing instrument simulation for selected ear.

**Hearing Instrument Simulator - with two speakers**

Play the selected signal. While the signal plays, you can switch between presenting the signal in the following modes:

- without hearing instrument simulation, or
- with hearing instrument simulation for both ears.

**Hearing Instrument Simulator - with headphones**

Play the selected signal. While the signal plays, you can switch between presenting the signal in the following modes:

- without hearing instrument simulation, or
- with hearing instrument simulation for selected ear or both ears.
11.1  With versus without hearing instrument simulation - HL

A. Status indicator
B. Client’s HTLs (inactive)
C. Customized Speech Banana and Speech Letters (default overlays)
D. Measured UCL (symbols)
E. Unusable Area (default overlay)
F. Counseling and Simulations spectrum (default overlay)
G. Predicted UCL (no symbols)

Use the customized speech banana to explain the concept of reduced dynamic range and the purpose of compression in hearing instruments.

11.2  With versus without Hearing Instrument Simulation - SPL

A. Measured UCL (symbols)
B. Predicted UCL (no symbols)
C. Client’s HTLs
11.3 The Predicted Aided Audiogram view

A. Client’s HTL  
B. Predicted Aided Audiogram

In the Predicted Aided Audiogram view, the traditional speech banana is displayed instead of the customized speech banana. When you simulate use of a hearing instrument, the audiogram is displayed with a lowered threshold, to demonstrate that the client would have access to a greater part of the sound signal, and thereby improved access to the speech banana.

The displayed values are the client’s thresholds minus the target insertion gain.

12 Speech Mapping

The **Speech Mapping** screen in **Counseling and Simulations** allows you to perform probe microphone measurements to demonstrate that speech sounds that are amplified by the hearing instrument are audible, and are presented within the client’s remaining hearing range.

If you are using AURICAL FreeFit, you can use the **FreeStyle** screen in PMM for this purpose.
13 Performing probe microphone measurements

When you start a new session in PMM, you must ensure the fitting parameters are set correctly in the Fitting Details dialog box.

To set the fitting parameters
1. Press F10 to open the Fitting Details dialog box.
2. Select the appropriate target rule.
3. Fill in the remaining fields in the dialog box.

Making Probe Microphone Measurements
The following sections describe the main procedures involved in PMM:

- Measuring RECD ➤ 17
- Measuring Unaided Response ➤ 18
- Measuring Occluded Response ➤ 19
- Measuring Aided Response ➤ 20

13.1 Measuring RECD

If you want to use measured RECD values for coupler based fitting, you can measure RECD in PMM as follows:

Measure coupler response:
Skip this procedure if you have a stored coupler measurement.
1. Open the RECD tab in PMM.
2. Indicate the type of coupler adapter you are using, and whether you are using an ear mold or foam insert tip.
3. Click Coupler Response... in the RECD Control Panel.
4. Attach the right RECD ear probe to the coupler in AURICAL HIT.

A. RECD coupling  D. Transducer tubing
B. BTE adapter tube  E. Transducer tube port
C. BTE (HA2) adapter
5. Click the **Measure Right** button.
6. Connect the left probe to the coupler in AURICAL HIT.
7. Click the **Measure Left** button.
8. Click **OK**.
9. Remove the probe from AURICAL HIT and remove the RECD coupling from the tubing of the BTE coupler.

**Then measure real ear response:**

1. Attach the probes to the FreeFit.
2. Perform probe tube calibration.
3. Connect the RECD coupling to the ear mold tubing (or foam insert tip).

4. Place the probe tubes in the client’s ears together with the ear molds or foam insert tips (see Fitting the probes on the client and inserting the probe tubes  ► 9).

5. Select ear to measure.

6. In the control panel, click **Ear Response** (or briefly press the power button on the FreeFit). The measured ear response and the RECD are displayed in their respective graphs.

### 13.2 Measuring Unaided Response

In the **Unaided** screen, measure without hearing instruments to determine the natural amplification of the ear canal.
1. Insert probe tube.
2. Select ear to measure.

3. Select graph.

4. Click the Unaided button on the Control Panel.

**Note** • In an unaided measurement, we usually expect a peak on the measurement curve around the 3kHz frequency of about 10-20 dB SPL.

![Graph with labels](image)

A. UCL  
B. Audiogram  
C. Peak around 3 kHz  
D. Measurement curve

### 13.3 Measuring Occluded Response

In the **Occluded Response** screen, measure with muted hearing instruments in ears to measure the occlusion or openness of the fitting.

1. Place the hearing instrument on the ear of the patient, with the probe tube inserted in the ear canal. Ensure the hearing instrument is muted or turned off.
2. Click the Occluded button on the Control Panel.

When you compare the REUR to the REOR, you can see the impact of the occlusion of the ear canal.
13.4 Measuring Aided Response

In the Aided screen, measure the gain that the hearing instruments are providing in relation to a specified prescriptive fitting target.

1. Place the hearing instrument on the ear of the patient, with the probe tube inserted in the ear canal.

   **Note** • For Coupler based fitting, select the Coupler based fitting icon on the toolbar and attach the hearing instrument to the coupler in the AURICAL HIT (see the manual for AURICAL HIT).

2. Switch the hearing aid on without moving it.
   All the hearing instrument features should be left on with the general use program selected.

3. Configure the control panel to play up to 5 signals. For example: 3 input levels for a speech or speech-like stimulus: Soft (50/55 dB SPL), Average (65 dB SPL) and Loud (80 dB SPL) plus an MPO stimulus.

4. Present the various input levels and MPO signal separately or in one sequence.

5. Compare the measured aided response curve to the prescriptive target values (dashed curve) and the measured MPO curve to the UCL. Consider adjusting the MPO (Maximum Power Output) if indicated by any report of loudness discomfort.

6. Adjust the hearing instrument with the fitting software to achieve the desired gain, and repeat the measurements to evaluate the effects of the changes.

   **A.** Sequence button
   **B.** Measurement buttons for different stimuli
   **C.** Curve legend for button 1.
   **D.** Target curve for MPO.
   **E.** Measurement curve for MPO.
   **F.** Measurement curve and target curve for button 1.
You can also select OnTarget view, which shows a live display of the difference between the target curve and the measured curve. This makes it easier to adjust the HI programming.

14 Demonstrating hearing instrument features

Use the Noise Reduction screen to evaluate and demonstrate the hearing instrument’s noise reduction feature. Each Noise Reduction test is an automatic sequence that contains two curves (with a delay between the two curves):

- Curve 1 – a snapshot taken immediately before Noise Reduction takes effect.
- Curve 2 – a snapshot taken automatically after the selected Adaptation Interval, when the Noise Reduction has taken effect.

To demonstrate the Noise Reduction feature:

1. Program the hearing instrument for the desired Noise Reduction setting.
2. Configure the measurement buttons to demonstrate the conditions you prefer. For each button, select the time difference between the two measurements (Curve 1 and Curve 2).
3. Click a measurement button in the control panel.

The snapshot curves are displayed in the graph and the overall Noise Reduction is displayed in the curve legend.

The Feature-2-Benefit view gives you the opportunity to see and show the gain difference in an easy to understand graph.

The FreeStyle test screen is similar to the other PMM test screens but with numerous possibilities to customize protocols.

15 Service, cleaning and maintenance

Warning: Under no circumstances disassemble FreeFit or the FreeFit charger. Contact your supplier. Parts inside FreeFit and the FreeFit charger must only be checked or serviced by authorized personnel.

15.1 Service

For the sake of safety and in order not to void the warranty, service and repair of electro-medical equipment should be carried out only by the equipment manufacturer or by service personnel at authorized workshops. In case of any defects, make a detailed description of the defect(s) and contact your supplier. Do not use a defective device.

15.2 Cleaning

Use a soft, slightly damp cloth with a small amount of mild detergent or approved non-caustic medical grade disinfectant wipes to clean the unit and charger according to local infection control regulations.

Keep the unit away from liquids. Do not allow moisture inside the unit. Moisture inside the unit can damage the
instrument and it may result in a risk of electrical shock to the user or patient.

**Caution** • Never immerse the FreeFit probes into water or other cleaning solutions.

**Caution** • No part of FreeFit or its accessories is suitable for autoclaving or thermal disinfection/sterilization methods.

**Probe tubes, tube guides and ear cords**
These parts are in constant contact with your clients.
- **Probe tubes:**
  The only part which is inserted into the ear canal during PMM testing is the Probe tube. These tubes are disposable, and should only be used once per client.
- **Tube guides and ear cords:**
  Use a soft, slightly damp cloth with a small amount of detergent to clean the cords and the tube guides.

**Disposal**
There are no special requirements regarding the disposal of the silicone test tubes, i.e. they can be discarded according to local regulations.

### 15.3 Maintenance

**Annual calibration**
FreeFit and the FreeFit probes must be calibrated once a year by your authorized service department.

### 16 Other references

For more information, see the online Help in OTOsuite, which contains detailed reference information about FreeFit and PMM, and other OTOsuite products.

For instructions on installing OTOsuite, see the OTOsuite Installation Guide, which you can find on the OTOsuite installation medium (disk or memory stick).

### 17 Technical Specifications - AURICAL FreeFit

**Standards**

- **Safety:**
  IEC 60601-1, UL 60601-1, CAN/CSA -C22.2 NO 601.1-90
  AURICAL FreeFit: IEC 60601-1, Internally Powered, Type BF, IPX0

- **EMC:**
  IEC 60601-1-2, EN 300 328-2, EN 301 489-17
Operating environment

- Temperature: +15°C to +35°C (59°F to +95°F)
- Relative humidity: 30 to 90%, non-condensing
- Warm-up time: < 1 min.
- Air pressure: 600 hPa to 1060 hPa

Operation at temperatures below -20°C or above +60°C may cause permanent damage.

Storage and handling

- Temperature: -20°C to +60°C (4°F to +140°F)
- Rel. humidity: < 90%, non-condensing
- Air pressure: 500 hPa to 1060 hPa

Accessories

Standard accessories and optional accessories vary from country to country - please consult your local distributor.

- REM Probes (2 pieces)
- RECD Probes - short (2 pieces)
- RECD Probe - long (1 piece)
- REM Probe Tubes (50 pieces)
- Silicone Ear Cords (50 pieces)
- SoundHub 100
- Headphone, semi-closed (customer)
- Headset, open (dispenser)
- Table-top microphone (recording)
- NOAH Link straps
- Velcro clips
- Y-splitter adaptor cable
- REM tube support
- OTOsuite DVD
- OTOair Bluetooth Dongle
- RECD fitting kit (tubing and coupling)
- RECD Eartip starter kit
- Reference Manual
- User Guide

17.1 AURICAL FreeFit specifications

AURICAL FreeFit is type 1053 from GN Otometrics A/S

Interface

Wireless Bluetooth data transfer to PC, version 2.0 + EDR, class 2 (10 meters).
Power supply

Battery types: Rechargeable (Ni-MH type) AA (R6) 1.2V, 1 pc. (Use only rechargeable batteries supplied by GN Otometrics A/S)

Alkaline AA (R6) 1.2V, 1 pc.

Battery supply voltage: Nom. 1.30 V,

Max. 1.65 V,

Min. start-up: 1.10 V (Measured with instrument load)

Min. when running: 1.00 V

Low battery indicator level: When approximately 30 minutes of battery operating time remain.

Estimated battery life: 5 hours of continuous use. (This is based on a typical use scenario. The actual use can influence the battery life time).

Mode of operation: Continuous.

Dimensions

AURICAL FreeFit (HxWxD): 23 mm x 350 mm x 230 mm (0.91" x 13.7" x 9.1")

Weight

AURICAL FreeFit: 0.180 kg / 0.34 lb

17.2 Charger unit specifications

Charger unit is type 1053 Charger from GN Otometrics A/S

Note • This manual describes the assembly and use of the type 1053 charger unit. If you use the AURICAL speaker unit to charge your FreeFit, refer to the technical specifications in the manual for AURICAL Aud.

Power supply

Nominal input voltage: 9 V DC

Min. input voltage: 6.5 V DC

Max. input voltage: 12 V DC

Max. power consumption while charging: 300 mA (at 9 V input voltage)

Max. power consumption when not charging: 60 mA (at 9 V input voltage)

Power adaptor

BRIDGEPOWER CORP

MENB1010A0903B01

Output: 9 VDC, 1.10 A

Input: 100-240 V, 50-60 Hz

DONGGUAN SHILONG FUHUA ELECTRONIC CO., LTD.

UE08WCP-090056SPA

Output: 9 VDC, 0.56 A

Input: 100-240 V, 50-60 Hz

Use only the power adaptor supplied with the instrument.
**Dimensions**

Charger unit (HxWxD): 280 mm x 180 mm x 230 mm (11.4” x 7.1” x 9.1”) (with table plate mounted)
Charger unit (HxWxD): 340 mm x 180 mm x 230 mm (13.8” x 7.1” x 9.1”) (with wall plate mounted)

**Weight**

Charger unit: 0.700 kg/1.8 lb

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**18.1 Responsibility of the manufacturer**

The manufacturer is to be considered responsible for effects on safety, reliability, and performance of the equipment only if:

- All assembly operations, extensions, re-adjustments, modifications or repairs are carried out by the equipment manufacturer or personnel authorized by the manufacturer.
- The electrical installation to which the equipment is connected complies with EN/IEC requirements.
- The equipment is used in accordance with the instructions for use.

The manufacturer reserves the right to disclaim all responsibility for the operating safety, reliability and performance of equipment serviced or repaired by other parties.

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**19 Warning notes**

This manual contains information and warnings, which must be followed to ensure the safe performance of the devices and software covered by this manual. Local government rules and regulations, if applicable, should also be followed at all times.

⚠️ AURICAL FreeFit should only be charged using the type 1053 charger unit or the type 1081 AURICAL speaker unit from GN Otometrics A/S.

⚠️ Unless you are charging FreeFit with the AURICAL Aud speaker unit, which has a medically isolated power supply unit, do not attempt to use AURICAL FreeFit with clients while it is placed in the charger unit.

1. There are no user-serviceable parts inside the cabinet of the device or charger. For the sake of safety and in order not to void the warranty, service and repair of electro-medical equipment should be carried out only by the equipment manufacturer or by service personnel at authorized workshops. In case of any defects, make a detailed description of the defect(s) and contact your supplier. Do not use a defective device.
2. Keep the unit away from liquids. Do not allow moisture inside the unit. Moisture inside the unit can damage the instrument and it may result in a risk of electrical shock to the user or patient.

3. Do not use the instrument in the presence of flammable agents (gases) or in an oxygen-rich environment.

4. Unwanted noise may occur if the device is exposed to a strong radio field. Such noise may interfere with the performance of the device. Many types of electrical devices, e.g. mobile telephones, may generate radio fields. We recommend that the use of such devices in the vicinity of AURICAL FreeFit be restricted.

5. Changes or modifications not expressly approved by the manufacturer could void the user’s authority to operate the equipment.

6. This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:
   - Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
   - Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
   - Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
   - Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

7. For use in Canada: To prevent radio interference to the licensed service, this device is intended to be operated indoors and away from windows to provide maximum shielding. Equipment (or its transmit antenna) that is installed outdoors is subject to licensing.

8. No parts may be eaten, burnt, or in any way used for purposes other than the applications defined in the Intended Use section of this manual.

9. The device and charger unit can be disposed of as normal electronic waste, according to local regulations. Please investigate local regulations concerning the disposal of rechargeable and alkaline batteries.

10. For safety reasons, accessories connected to the equipment’s outlet fittings must be identical to the type supplied with the system.

11. It is recommended that an annual calibration be performed on accessories containing transducers. Furthermore, it is recommended that calibration be performed if the equipment has suffered any potential damage (e.g. headphones dropped on the floor).

12. To comply with EN 60601-1-1 computer and printer must be placed out of reach of the client, i.e. not closer than approx. 1.5 meters/5 ft.

13. In the United States of America, Federal law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a licensed physician.

14. It is recommended to install the unit in an environment that minimizes the amount of static electricity. For example, anti-static carpeting is recommended.

15. The charger unit should be kept away from the client area.
20 Notes on EMC (Electromagnetic Compatibility)

- AURICAL FreeFit is part of a medical electrical system and is thus subject to special safety precautions. For this reason, the installation and operating instructions provided in this document should be followed closely.
- Portable and mobile high-frequency communication devices, such as mobile phones, may interfere with the functioning of AURICAL FreeFit.

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<td>AURICAL FreeFit uses RF energy only for its internal function. Therefore, its RF emissions are very low and are not likely to cause any interference in nearby electronic equipment.</td>
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<td>RF emissions</td>
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<td>AURICAL FreeFit is suitable for use in all environments, including domestic environments and those directly connected to the public low-voltage power supply network that supplies buildings used for domestic purposes.</td>
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<td>Electrostatic discharge (ESD)</td>
<td>+/- 6 kV contact +/− 8 kV air</td>
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<td>Floors should be wood, concrete or ceramic tile. If floors are covered with synthetic material, the relative humidity should be at least 30%.</td>
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<td>Power frequency (50/60 Hz) magnetic field</td>
<td>3A/m</td>
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<td>Power frequency magnetic fields should be at levels characteristic of a typical location in a typical commercial or hospital environment.</td>
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<td>Radiated RF IEC 61000-4-3</td>
<td>3V/m 80 MHz to 2.5 GHz</td>
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<td>Portable and mobile RF communications equipment should be used no closer to any part of AURICAL FreeFit, including cables, than the recommended separation distance calculated from the equation applicable to the frequency of the transmitter. Recommended separation distance: d = 1.2√P for 80 MHz to 200 MHz, d = 2.4√P for 80 MHz to 2.5 GHz, where P is the maximum output power rating of the transmitter in watts (W) according to the transmitter manufacturer and d is the recommended separation distance in metres (m). Field strengths from fixed RF transmitters, as determined by an electromagnetic site survey, should be less than the compliance level in each frequency range. Interference may occur in the vicinity of equipment marked with this symbol: ![Symbol]</td>
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**Note 1:** At 80 MHz and 800 MHz the separation distance for the higher frequency range applies.

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a. Field strengths from fixed transmitters, such as base stations for radio (cellular/cordless) telephones and land mobile radios, amateur radio, AM and FM radio broadcast and TV broadcast cannot be predicted theoretically with accuracy. To assess the electromagnetic environment due to fixed RF transmitters, an electromagnetic site survey should be considered. If the measured field strength in the location in which AURICAL FreeFit is used exceeds the applicable RF compliance level above, the AURICAL FreeFit should be observed to verify normal operation. If abnormal performance is observed, additional measures might be necessary, such as reorienting or relocating AURICAL FreeFit.

b. Over the frequency range 150 kHz to 80 MHz, field strengths should be less than 3 V/m.
Recommended separation distances between portable and mobile RF communications equipment and AURICAL FreeFit

The AURICAL FreeFit is intended for use in an electromagnetic environment in which radiated RF disturbances are controlled. The customer or the user of the AURICAL FreeFit can help prevent electromagnetic interference by maintaining a minimum distance between portable and mobile RF communications equipment (transmitters) and the AURICAL FreeFit as recommended below, according to the maximum output power of the communications equipment.

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<td>0.38</td>
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<td>1</td>
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For transmitters rated at a maximum output power not listed above, the recommended separation distance d in meters (m) can be estimated using the equation applicable to the frequency of the transmitter, where P is the maximum output power rating of the transmitter in watts (W) according to the transmitter manufacturer.

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**21 Definition of symbols**

- **Electronic equipment covered by the Directive 2002/96/EC on waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE).**
  - All electrical and electronic products, batteries, and accumulators must be taken to separate collection at the end of their working life. This requirement applies in the European Union. Do not dispose of these products as unsorted municipal waste.
  - You can return your device and accessories to Otometrics, or to any Otometrics supplier. You can also contact your local authorities for advice on disposal.

- **Identifies the correct position of the battery inside the battery compartment.**

- **Interference may occur in the vicinity of the device. Local regulations and precautions for other equipment in the environment should always be followed to avoid interference.**
  - The separation distance from this device to other devices complying with standard immunity requirements in IEC 60601-1-2 is minimum 0.35 m/1ft.
| **Suitable** | Suitable for direct current only. |
| **In France** | In France, it is only permitted to use the device indoors. |
| **Consult manual** | Consult user manual for warnings and cautions. |
| **Follow instructions** | Follow instructions for use. |
| **Consult instructions** | Consult instructions for use. |
| **Complies with** | Complies with Type BF requirements of IEC60601-1. |
| **Complies with** | Complies with the Radio Equipment and Telecommunications Terminal Equipment Directive 1999/5/EC. |
| **The installation** | The installation must be carried out in accordance with Medical Electrical Systems clause 16 in IEC 60601-1 (3rd), AAMI ES60601-1 and CSA C22.2 NO. 60601-1-08-CAN/CSA. The supplementary provisions on the reliability of electro-medical systems. |
| **It is a general** | It is a general rule for all electrical equipment used in the proximity of the client that: |
| | - The connected equipment must comply with IEC 60601-1 (3rd). |
| **This device** | This device complies with part 15 of the FCC rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: |
| **This device** | - This device must not cause harmful interference. |
| **This device** | - This device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation. |
| **The term “IC”** | The term “IC” before the certification/registration number signifies that the Industry Canada technical specifications were met. |
| **Do not reuse.** | Do not reuse. |
| **Used in error** | Used in error message dialogs if software program fails. See the detailed information in the dialog box. |
| **Manufacturer** | Manufacturer and date of manufacture. |