

VHF-SHF coverage

VHF (very high frequency) from 30-300MHz, wavelength 10 -1m

UHF (ultra high frequency) from 300MHz -3GHz, wavelength 1-0,1m

SHF (serious high frequency) from 3GHz – 30GHz, wavelength 10 -1cm

Visual horizon

Base for this formula is the effective earth radius of 8470km.

(average Earth radius * $\frac{4}{3}$)

$$\frac{Rg}{km} = 3,57 \left(\sqrt{\frac{Hs}{m}} + \sqrt{\frac{He}{m}} \right)$$

Rg geometric horizon

Hs height of transmitter

He height of receiver

Radio horizon

Due to the bending (refraction) of the wave at the atmosphere the radio horizon is about 15% larger than the visual horizon

$$\frac{Rr}{km} = 4,12 \left(\sqrt{\frac{Hs}{m}} + \sqrt{\frac{He}{m}} \right)$$

Rr = radio horizon

Nomogram of VHF radio coverage

