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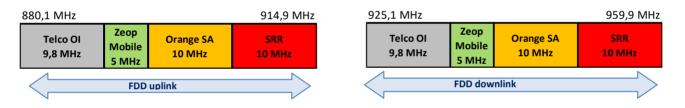
### Frequency assignments in Réunion: results of the positioning procedure for the 900 MHz band in Réunion and final results of the frequency awards procedures launched in Réunion in 2023

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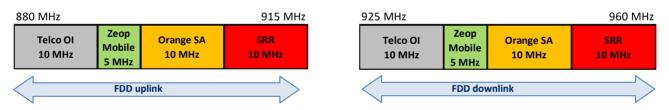
The "positioning" procedure for 900 MHz band frequencies in Réunion took place from 6 March 2024 to 21 March 2024, in accordance with the assignment procedures set forth in Arcep Decision No. 2023-1213.

#### The final results of the assignment procedure for the 900 MHz band in Réunion are as follows:

Arrangement of the 900 MHz band in Réunion up to 30 April 2025



#### Arrangement of the 900 MHz band in Réunion as of 1 May 2025



The following table recaps the 900 MHz band spectrum that Arcep will be assigning in Réunion up to 30 April 2025:

Operator	Orange	SRR	Telco OI	Zeop Mobile	Total
900 MHz band*					
Frequencies	894.9 - 904.9 MH z and 939.9 - 949.9 MH z	904.9 - 914.9 MHz and 949.9 - 959.9 MHz	880.1 - 889.9 MHz and 925.1 - 934.9 MHz	889.9 – 894.9 MHz and 934.9 - 939.9 MHz	880.1 - 934.9 MHz and 925.1 - 959.9 MHz
Quantity of frequencies assigned				5 MHz (paired)	5 MHz (paired)

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The following table recaps the 900 MHz band spectrum that Arcep will be assigning to each winning candidate in Réunion as of 1 May 2025, as well as the amounts they will be required to pay as a result of this frequency assignment procedure:

Candidate	Orange	SRR	Telco OI	Zeop Mobile	Total	
900 MHz band						
Frequencies	895 - 905 MHz and 940 - 950 MHz	905 - 915 MHz and 950 - 960 MHz	880 - 890 MHz and 925 - 935 MHz	890 - 895 MHz and 935 - 940 MHz	880 - 915 MHz and 925 - 960 MHz	
Quantity of frequencies	10 MHz (paired)	10 MHz (paired)	10 MHz (paired)	5 MHz (paired)	35 MHz (paired)	
Amount due	€7,989,707	€7,989,707	€7,989,707	€0	€23,969,121	

### Reminder of the previous stages of the assignment procedure

Having completed the examination of the applications, the principal auction for the assignment of all of the 900 MHz band frequencies available as of 1 May 2025 (7 blocks of 2x5 MHz), which was held on 13 February 2024<sup>1</sup>, made it possible to determine the blocks of frequencies obtained by each of the winning candidates, provided the procedure for awarding spectrum in the 900 MHz band in Réunion is brought to completion.

# **Results of the positioning procedure**

The positioning of the 900 MHz band frequencies assigned in Réunion up to 30 April 2025, determined after Arcep's consultation with the concerned stakeholders, will be as follows, within 45 days of awarding the frequency licences, and of issuing the amending decisions for operators concerned by the rearrangement of the 900 MHz band :

Candidate	Orange	SRR	Telco Ol	Zeop Mobile
Positioning in the band from the bottom up	3	4	1	2

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Press release of 15 February 2024

The positioning of the 900 MHz band frequencies assigned in Réunion as of 1 May 2025, determined after Arcep's consultation with the concerned stakeholders, will be as follows:

Candidate	Orange	SRR	Telco Ol	Zeop Mobile
Positioning in the band from the bottom up	3	4	1	2

## Licencing fee payment

As a reminder, the winning candidates will pay:

- the amount bid during the principal auction, to be paid in four equal instalments over four years, the first of which will be paid upon being awarded their frequency licence, and the remaining three on the anniversary of that date;
- the amount proportional to the amount of spectrum awarded for the current year, expressed in MHz, payable before 31 January or, for a new assignment, the date on which the frequencies are released. This amount per MHz is set at 2,287.50 euros.

In addition to these amounts, operators will pay a variable annual fee, equal to one percent (1%) of the revenue earned from the use of these frequencies, with the exception of the revenue earned on the operation of a second generation (2G) mobile network.

### Associated documents

- Page dedicated to the procedure
- <u>Arcep Decision No. 2024-0172 of 23 January 2024 on the summary of the examination of the tender</u> dossiers received as part of the procedure to award licences to use frequencies in the 900 MHz band in Réunion to establish and operate a mobile radio network open to the public
- Arcep Decision No. 2024-0725 of 4 April 2024 on the summary and the results of the procedure to award licences to use frequencies in the 900 MHz band in Réunion to establish and operate a mobile radio network open to the public

#### Arcep at a glance

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