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Hands-free mode

1 For the purposes of the Act and this Regulation, “hands-free mode” means a function on a cellular telephone or a radio communication device that is enabled

- (a) in a voice-activated manner without holding the cellular telephone or radio communication device or an attachment to the cellular telephone or radio communication device in the individual’s hand, or
- (b) in a manner that requires only one touch to the cellular telephone or radio communication device or to an attachment to the cellular telephone or radio communication device without holding the cellular telephone or radio communication device or an attachment to the cellular telephone or radio communication device in the individual’s hand

in order to initiate, accept or end a telephone call, or to receive or transmit electronic data, electronic mail, a text message or a voice communication.

One touch

2 For the purposes of the Act and this Regulation, “one touch” means pressing only one button one time on a cellular telephone or radio communication device or an attachment to the cellular telephone or radio communication device in order to initiate, accept or end a single telephone call, or to receive or transmit electronic data, electronic mail, a text message or a voice communication

without holding the cellular telephone or radio communication device or an attachment to the cellular telephone or radio communication device in the individual's hand.

Exempt classes of individuals

3(1) Pursuant to section 115.1(1) of the Act, an individual who holds a radio operator certificate issued under the *Radiocommunication Act* (Canada) may drive or operate a vehicle on a highway while holding, viewing or manipulating a 2-way radio communication device.

(2) The following classes of individuals are exempt from the operation of section 115.2(1) of the Act:

- (a) individuals appointed as spectrum management officers under the *Radiocommunication Act* (Canada) for the purposes of frequency spectrum management;
- (b) individuals employed or engaged for services by a telecommunication enterprise for the purposes of monitoring telecommunication service levels and disruptions.

Exempt devices

4 For the purposes of section 115.2 of the Act, an individual may operate or drive a vehicle on a highway if the display screen of an alcohol ignition interlock device is activated and is visible to the driver of that vehicle.

Expiry

5 For the purposes of ensuring that this Regulation is reviewed for ongoing relevancy and necessity, with the option that it may be repassed in its present or an amended form following a review, this Regulation expires on June 1, 2016.

Coming into force

6 This Regulation comes into force on the coming into force of the *Traffic Safety (Distracted Driving) Amendment Act, 2010*.