Germany	
Exposure guidelines	ICNIRP Guidelines
Planning Authority	Local planning authorities and BnetzA.
Requirements for planning permission	A site certificate from BnetzA is mandatory for all sites. This ensures compliance with exposure guidelines and other technical requirements. Permission from local planning authorities is mandatory for all installations higher than 10m. Once the site has been constructed and before it is activated emissions authorities have to be notified.
Timescales for Permission	Typically less than six weeks. More than one year in worst cases.
Appeals process	Legal proceedings against the local authority can take up to three years, but these occur in rare cases if the operator fulfils all the requirements for the process of site acquisition.
Public Consultation	A public consultation process with local communities is mandatory for all operators and has to start before the application for a site certificate.
Exemptions & Existing site upgrade	In several states (but not all) there are exemptions for installation with poles/masts below 10 m and shelters of less than 10 m^3. Upgrades of existing sites have to follow the same process as new sites unless the compliance area of the planned installation lies completely within the compliance area of the existing installation.

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