

GROUND WAVE

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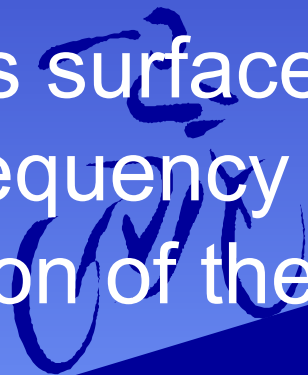
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Frequency of ground wave

- The ground wave is the preferred propagation type for long distance communication using frequencies below 3 MHz (the earth behaves as a conductor for all frequencies below 5 MHz). The ground wave is also used for short distance communications using frequencies between 3 and 30 MHz.

How do ground waves travel?

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Ground wave propagation is used for:

- Ground wave radio propagation is used to provide relatively local radio communications coverage, especially by radio broadcast stations that require to cover a particular locality. Ground wave propagation of radio signal is ideal for relatively short distance propagation on these frequencies during the daytime.