

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY

Gilat Telecom

General principles:

- Although our business activities have a low environmental impact, we understand our responsibility to support the urgent action to prevent climate change and to limit the increase in global temperatures.
- Gilat is strongly committed to maintaining the highest environmental standards for our global workforce, partners and customers.
- The company is primarily a service and integration company - therefore most of the environmental impact is related to the company's partners and suppliers and not to the company directly. At the same time, we make sure to work and act with partners who have a clear and high-quality environmental policy.
- Our leadership believes in maximizing resource value in the short-term while minimizing environmental impact for tomorrow. Our environmental policy is structured around our impact both in space and on Earth.
- Satellites receive their operating power from the sun, through solar panels, outside the Earth's atmosphere. They therefore create no carbon emissions during their operating lifetimes. Climate change risks are not considered as principal risk to Gilat business activities.
- Gilat takes steps to minimize any environmental consequences of its activities and maintain the principles of sustainable development. Gilat is committed to s to reduce any environmental impact recognized international standards.
- As part of the group's ISP activity, we make sure to operate using the infrastructures and products of partners with a clear and high-quality environmental policy.

Ways of action:

1. Gilat shall apply a responsible fleet management approach together with its satellite providers to mitigate the environmental impact and to minimise space debris.
2. Gilat shall give priority to activities with satellite providers and other providers with extensive environmental policies.
3. Gilat has few offices and ground stations worldwide but does not operate any manufacturing sites. Gilat shall apply best practices in minimising the environmental impact of these facilities. Further, Gilat also ensures that the amount of radiation emitted from earth stations complies with local standards in each country of operation. This is checked through annual audits by third party accredited organisations that specialise in the field of industrial safety.
4. Having analysed the risks of potential environmental impacts, Gilat concluded that there is no need to make financial provisions or guarantees in respect of environmental risks. Furthermore, there is no ongoing litigation concerning environmental issues within the Group.
5. Gilat shall make any necessary effort to contribute substantially to climate change adaptation efforts by providing specialised telecommunications services for disaster warnings and impact analysis.
6. Most of our providers satellites operate in either Geostationary Earth Orbit (36,000 kilometres from the Earth's equator) or Medium Earth Orbit (8,000 kilometres from the Earth's equator). At the end of the satellite's operational life, it is re-orbited using remaining on-board propellant into a graveyard orbit, approximately 200 kilometres beyond the Geostationary Earth Orbit. In general, our providers satellites do not re-enter the Earth's atmosphere and we follow the most stringent international standards for re-orbiting and passivating space assets.
7. In order to facilitate the recycling of different waste types, Gilat separates as much waste generated as possible. Gilat encourages each of its employees to do their part to limit and eventually reduce the waste produced on our sites.
8. Gilat shall try to avoid food waste and shall reduce single use plastics from its facilities. As an ecological alternative to bottled water, Gilat installed water dispensers,

dramatically reducing the number of consumed plastic bottles and related transport, storage and recycling efforts.

Our Partners:

- The company is primarily a service and integration company - therefore most of the environmental impact is related to the company's partners and suppliers and not to the company directly. At the same time, we make sure to work and act with partners who have a clear and high-quality environmental policy.
- Gilat's main satellite providers and partners are characterized by high standards of environmental responsibility.
- Gilat's main satellite providers and partners take an active role in developing protocols for reducing or removing manmade objects and particles from orbit.
- Amongst others, our partners have achieved one of the best records in the industry for safe disposal of satellites from the atmosphere at end-of-life. Few of our partners are also a founding members of the Space Data Association (SDA), an international non-profit organisation of spacecraft operators that supports the controlled, reliable and efficient sharing of data to enhance the safety and integrity of satellite operations.
- our partners monitor the environmental impact of their global locations and outsourced activities, including the manufacture and launch of spacecraft. To ensure they are meeting strict global standards, our partners compliance is checked through yearly audits that are conducted both by internal and third-party accredited organisations.
- Most of our main partners have officially reported the CO2 emissions of our operations through participation in the Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP), which collects the data of all our business activities and locations. For example SES, one of our main partners, succeeded in improving its CDP score generating around 47,797 tons of CO2 emissions worldwide, a decrease of 5% compared to 2018 and attributed to several factors including less unnecessary business travel and the introduction of energy optimisation initiatives at offices and teleports.
- In the context of the legal framework in Europe, and in accordance with EN 16247, our relevant partners analyze the energy efficiency of all our main facilities. A Sustainable Tomorrow.

- As part of the group's ISP activity, we make sure to operate using the infrastructures and products of partners with a clear and high-quality environmental policy. For example, Bezeq Group, the company's main infrastructure provider in this field applies a work procedure for the construction, operation and measurement of sources of non-ionizing radiation, and an appropriate compliance procedure that was approved by its board of directors. Bezeq has assigned an officer to oversee implementation of the compliance procedure. Periodic reports on the status of Sources of Radiation are submitted to the CEO and to the board of directors.
- Bezeq even set goals and an environmental road map for the coming years and formulated a systematic policy that is published on its company website.

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