

# Ny-Ålesund

## Radio quiet zone



Photo: Erik Hatrem (NMA)

Did you know that the Norwegian Mapping Authority's Observatory in Ny-Ålesund plays an important role in safe navigation at sea? Together with similar stations around the world it contributes to a more exact positioning.

To protect the scientific activities in Ny-Ålesund it is not allowed to use radio transmitters (2-32 GHz) within 20 km from Ny-Ålesund, without a specific license issued by the Norwegian Communications Authority (Nkom).

Therefore, it is not allowed to use equipment such as Wi-Fi and Bluetooth in Ny-Ålesund.

Prior to entering the radio quiet zone radio transmitters in 2-32 GHz shall and must be switched off.

Violation may trigger penalties from Nkom.

**NOTE:** Radio transmitters regulated by maritime regulations for safe navigation at sea are not subject to this restriction.

