



FCC Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric Tier 4 Licensing FAQ

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What is a Tier 4 FCC Fabric License?

A Tier 4 Fabric license is intended for entities that are not governments, tribes or ISPs. In some cases, ISPs who seek Fabric Data outside of their service area can qualify as a Tier 4 Licensee.

What are the types of Tier 4 Licenses?

There are two Tier 4 Agreements, the Standard Agreement ("Standard Agreement") and the Research License ("Research License") (collectively, "Agreements"). The Standard Tier 4 Standard Agreement supports the filing of BDC challenges by entities not covered under another Tier Agreement (i.e. entities other than governments, tribes, ISPs, etc.). The Tier 4 Research License supports non-commercial academic or public-policy research directly related to broadband availability.

What is the process to get a Tier 4 License?

This process is described in this BDC article: [How Entities Can Access the Location Fabric – BDC Help Center \(fcc.gov\)](#)

More Questions?

If you have questions regarding the FCC's Broadband Serviceable Location Fabric for the Broadband Data Collection, please email nbfsupport@costquest.com.

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