

47 U.S.C. § 227(e)

(e) Prohibition on provision of inaccurate caller identification information

(1) In general

It shall be unlawful for any person within the United States, in connection with any telecommunications service or IP-enabled voice service, to cause any caller identification service to knowingly transmit misleading or inaccurate caller identification information with the intent to defraud, cause harm, or wrongfully obtain anything of value, unless such transmission is exempted pursuant to paragraph (3)(B).

(2) Protection for blocking caller identification information

Nothing in this subsection may be construed to prevent or restrict any person from blocking the capability of any caller identification service to transmit caller identification information.

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(8) Definitions

For purposes of this subsection:

(A) Caller identification information

The term “caller identification information” means information provided by a caller identification service regarding the telephone number of, or other information regarding the origination of, a call made using a telecommunications service or IP-enabled voice service.

(B) Caller identification service

The term “caller identification service” means any service or device designed to provide the user of the service or device with the telephone number of, or other information regarding the origination of, a call made using a telecommunications service or IP-enabled voice service. Such term includes automatic number identification services.

16 C.F.R. § 310.4(a)(8)

(a) Abusive conduct generally. It is an abusive telemarketing act or practice and a violation of this Rule for any seller or telemarketer to engage in the following conduct:

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(8) Failing to transmit or cause to be transmitted the telephone number, and, when made available by the telemarketer’s carrier, the name of the telemarketer, to any caller identification service in use by a recipient of a telemarketing call; provided that it shall not be a violation to substitute (for the name and phone number used in, or billed for, making the call) the name of the seller or charitable organization on behalf of which a telemarketing call is placed, and the seller’s or charitable organization’s customer or donor service telephone number, which is answered during regular business hours;

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n. “**Caller identification information**” means information provided by a **caller identification service** regarding the telephone number and name of the person calling.

o. “**Caller identification service**” means a service that allows a telephone subscriber to have the telephone number, and, where available, name of the calling party transmitted contemporaneously with the telephone call, and displayed on a device in or connected to the subscriber’s telephone.

7-a. Unlawful transmission of certain **caller identification information**. It shall be unlawful for any telemarketer or seller to **cause any caller identification service to knowingly transmit misleading, inaccurate, or false caller identification information**, provided that it shall not be a violation to substitute (for the name and phone number used in, or billed for, making the call) the name or telephone number of the person or seller on behalf of which a telemarketing call is placed.

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(2) **“Caller identification information” means information a caller identification service provides regard the name and number of the person calling.**

(3) **“Caller identification service” means a service that allows a subscriber of the service to have the telephone number, and where available, the name of the calling party transmitted contemporaneously with the telephone call and displayed on a device in or connected to the subscriber’s telephone.**

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(3) **A telemarketer shall not cause a caller identification service to transmit misleading, inaccurate, or false caller identification information, provided that a telemarketer may substitute the name and telephone number of the person on whose behalf he or she places the call.**