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The 15.6ma revision deals with high reliability in dense environments with intra-interference and inter-interference due to other wireless systems operating in the same frequency band.

Also, the 15.6ma revision supports QoS. Currently, the 15.6‒2012 Std defines QoS in terms of traffic type indicated in the below table and used as reference:

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| **User priority QoS?** | **Traffic type** |
| 0 | Background |
| 1 | Best effort |
| 2 | Excellent effort  |
| 3 | Video |
| 4 | Voice |
| 5 | Medical or network control |
| 6 | High priority medical or network control |
| 7 | Emergency or implant  |

Hence, a qualitative approach to coexistence consists in combining certain techniques to help deal with interference while offering certain level of QoS.

That requires to identify interference environments. A classification of interference environments is indicated in the following table:

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| **Coexistence support level** | **Environment** |
| 0 | 6ma BAN only |
| 1 | Multiple 6ma BANs |
| 2 | Multiple 15.6 & 6ma BANs  |
| 3 | Multiple 6ma BANs & non-UWB systems (Wi-Fi & Unlicensed LTE) |
| 4 | Multiple 6ma BANs & 802.15 UWB systems |
| 5 | Multiple 6ma BANs, non-802.15 UWB systems (ETSI UWB systems) |
| 6 | Multiple 6ma BANs & 802.15 UWB & non-802.15 UWB systems (ETSI UWB)  |
| 7 | Multiple 6ma BANs & non-UWB systems (Wi-Fi & Unlicensed LTE) & 802.15 UWB & non-802.15 UWB systems (ETSI UWB) |

The coexistence parameters are classified as

1. MAC: 1) CFP, 2) CAP.
2. PHY, FEC: 1) (BCC, LDPC), 2) External FEC (Super-orthogonal CC), 3) Interference Mitigation techniques.
3. MAC & PHY: HARQ (composable CC).

A combination of such techniques and QoS gives the different modes of transmission depending on the required QoS and the interference environment of operation:

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| QoS/Cox | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 0 | BCC | BCC+E | BCC+E | BCC+E |  |  | HARQ | HARQ |
| 1 | BCC | BCC+E | BCC+E | BCC+E |  |  | HARQ | HARQ |
| 2 | BCC | BCC+E | BCC+E | BCC+E |  |  | HARQ | HARQ |
| 3 | BCC | BCC+E | BCC+E | BCC+E |  |  | HARQ | HARQ |
| 4 | BCC | BCC+E | BCC+E | BCC+E |  |  | HARQ | HARQ |
| 5 | BCC | BCC+E | BCC+E | BCC+E |  |  | HARQ/IM | HARQ/IM |
| 6 | CFP/HARQ | CFP/HARQ | CFP/HARQ | CFP/HARQ | CFP/HARQ | CFP/HARQ | HARQ/IM | HARQ/IM |
| 7 | CFP/HARQ | CFP/HARQ | CFP/HARQ | CFP/HARQ | CFP/HARQ | CFP/HARQ | HARQ/IM | HARQ/IM |

High coexistence level support means high intra-interference or inter-interference or both. Hence, operation in the CFP cannot be guarantee. The CFP would be preferable for transmission of high QoS traffic in low or non-interference environment.

Of course, the above table in an initial qualitative approach. We need to corroborate with simulations, or analysis.