
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

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Radiation (Emergency Preparedness and Public Information) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2001

Carrier's emergency plan

8.—(1) Where the assessment made in accordance with regulation 4(1) or regulation 5 shows that it is reasonably foreseeable that a radiation emergency might arise in respect of the transport of a radioactive substance (having regard to the steps taken by the carrier under regulation 4(2)), the carrier shall prepare or ensure that there has been prepared an adequate emergency plan in respect of the transport of such substances (in these Regulations referred to as a “carrier’s emergency plan”) designed to secure, so far as is reasonably practicable, the restriction of exposure to ionising radiation and the health and safety of persons who may be affected by such reasonably foreseeable emergencies as are identified by the said assessment.

(2) Without prejudice to paragraph (1), the carrier’s emergency plan shall contain the information specified in Part II of Schedule 7.

(3) A carrier shall not undertake the transport of any radioactive substance to which the assessment made in accordance with regulation 4(1) applies unless he has complied with the requirements of paragraphs (1) and (2).

(4) Where not also the carrier, the consignor shall, before presenting a consignment of any radioactive substance for transport, supply to the carrier such information as is necessary for the purpose of enabling the carrier to prepare or ensure that there is prepared the carrier’s emergency plan required by this regulation.

(5) The carrier’s emergency plan shall be drawn up having regard to the principles set out in Part I of Schedule 8.

(6) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the carrier’s emergency plan shall secure, where appropriate, intervention for the purposes set out in Part II of Schedule 8.

(7) For the purpose of preparing a carrier’s emergency plan pursuant to paragraph (1) or of reviewing the plan pursuant to regulation 10(1), the carrier shall ensure that consultation is carried out with—

- (a) the Executive, (where not also the carrier) the consignor and the Department of the Environment; and
- (b) such emergency services, Health and Social Services Boards and other persons, bodies or authorities (or in each case representatives thereof) as the carrier considers appropriate.

(8) The carrier shall ensure that any employee under his control who may be involved with, or may be affected by, arrangements in the carrier’s emergency plan is, or has been, provided with—

- (a) suitable and sufficient information, instruction and training; and
- (b) the equipment necessary to restrict that employee’s exposure to ionising radiation including, where appropriate, suitable dosimeters or other devices obtained in either case from the approved dosimetry service with which the carrier has entered into an arrangement under regulation 21 of the 2000 Regulations.

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(9) Where requested by the Executive, the carrier shall provide to the Executive within such reasonable time as may be specified a copy of the carrier's emergency plan or such parts of the plan as the Executive may require.