
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2001 No. 2975

**The Radiation (Emergency Preparedness
and Public Information) Regulations 2001**

Application

3.—(1) Subject to paragraph (4) and regulation 17, these Regulations apply to any work with ionising radiation which involves—

- (a) having on any premises or providing facilities for there to be on any premises a radioactive substance containing more than the quantity of any radionuclide specified in Schedule 2 or, in the case of fissile material, more than the mass of that material specified in Schedule 3;
- (b) transporting by rail a radioactive substance containing more than the quantity of radionuclides specified in Schedule 4 or, in the case of fissile material, more than the mass of that material specified in Schedule 3; or
- (c) transferring or conveying a radioactive substance of a quantity or mass referred to in sub-paragraph (b) above through any public place otherwise than by rail, road, inland waterway, sea or air or by means of a pipeline or similar means.

(2) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(a), a quantity specified in Schedule 2 shall be treated as being exceeded if—

- (a) where only one radionuclide is involved, the quantity of that radionuclide exceeds the quantity specified in the appropriate entry in Part I of Schedule 2; or
- (b) where more than one radionuclide is involved, the quantity ratio calculated in accordance with Part II of Schedule 2 exceeds one.

(3) For the purposes of paragraph (1)(b), a quantity specified in Schedule 4 shall be treated as being exceeded if—

- (a) where only one radionuclide is involved, the quantity of that radionuclide exceeds the quantity specified in the appropriate entry in Part I of Schedule 4; or
- (b) where more than one radionuclide is involved, the quantity ratio calculated in accordance with Part II of Schedule 4 exceeds one.

(4) These Regulations shall not apply in respect of—

- (a) except for the transport of such source, any non-dispersible source;
- (b) except for the transport of such substance, any radioactive substance which has an activity concentration of not more than 100Bqg⁻¹;
- (c) any radioactive substance conforming to the specifications for special form radioactive material set out in the 1996 Regulations and which is certified pursuant to those Regulations as complying with them or where the transport forms part of an international transport operation as is referred to in regulation 2(3)(a), (b) or (c) of the 1996 Regulations;
- (d) any radioactive substance which is in a package which complies in every respect with either the requirements for—

- (i) a Type B package design within the meaning of the 1996 Regulations; or

- (ii) a consignment shipped under Special Arrangement Transport Operations for the equivalent of a Type B package within the meaning of the 1996 Regulations, and which is, in either case, certified pursuant to those Regulations as complying with them or where the transport forms part of an international transport operation as is referred to in regulation 2(3)(a), (b) or (c) of the 1996 Regulations;
 - (e) the transport of any radioactive substance in the form of a low specific activity material conforming to the specifications for LSA-I, LSA-II or LSA-III within the meaning of the 1996 Regulations including cases where the transport forms part of an international transport operation as is referred to in regulation 2(3)(a), (b) or (c) of the 1996 Regulations;
 - (f) the transport of any radioactive substance in the form of a surface contaminated object conforming to the specifications for SCO-I or SCO-II within the meaning of the 1996 Regulations including cases where the transport forms part of an international transport operation as is referred to in regulation 2(3)(a), (b) or (c) of the 1996 Regulations;
 - (g) the presence of a radioactive substance while it is in or on the live body or corpse of a human being or animal where that presence occurs otherwise than in consequence of a radiation emergency.
- (5) These Regulations shall not apply in Northern Ireland.