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§289.202. Standards for Protection Against Radiation from Radioactive Materials.

(a) - (d) (No change.)

(e) Radiation protection programs.

(1) - (3) (No change.)

(4) To implement the ALARA requirement in paragraph (2) of this subsection and notwithstanding the requirements in subsection (n) of this section, a constraint on air emissions of radioactive material to the environment, excluding radon-222 and its daughters, shall be established by licensees such that the individual member of the public likely to receive the highest dose will not be expected to receive a total effective dose equivalent (TEDE) in excess of 10 millirems (mrem) (0.1 millisievert (mSv)) per year from these emissions. If a licensee subject to this requirement exceeds this dose constraint, the licensee shall report the exceedance as required in subsection (yy) of this section and promptly take appropriate corrective action to ensure against recurrence.

(5) (No change.)

(f) - (i) (No change.)

(j) Determination of occupational dose for the current year.

(1) (No change.)

(2) In complying with the requirements of paragraph (1) of this subsection, a licensee may:

(A) - (B) (No change.)

(C) obtain reports of the individual's dose equivalent from prior or other current employer(s) for work involving radiation exposure, or the individual's current employer, if the individual is not employed by the licensee, by telephone, facsimile, letter, or electronic

media transmission. The licensee shall request a written verification of the dose data if the authenticity of the transmitted report cannot be established.

(3) (No change.)

(4) If the licensee is unable to obtain a complete record of an individual's current occupational dose while employed by any other licensee, the licensee shall assume in establishing administrative controls in accordance with subsection (f)(7) of this section for the current year, that the allowable dose limit for the individual is reduced by 1.25 rems (12.5 mSv) for each quarter; or 416 mrem (4.16 mSv) for each month for which records were unavailable and the individual was engaged in activities that could have resulted in occupational radiation exposure.

(5) - (6) (No change.)

(k) Planned special exposures. A licensee may authorize an adult worker to receive doses in addition to and accounted for separately from the doses received under the limits specified in subsection (f) of this section provided that each of the following conditions is satisfied.

(1) - (4) (No change.)

(5) In complying with the requirements of paragraph (4)(C) of this subsection, a licensee may:

(A) (No change.)

(B) obtain reports of the individual's dose equivalent from prior employer(s) for work involving radiation exposure, or the individual's current employer, if the individual is not employed by the licensee, by telephone, facsimile, letter, or electronic media transmission. The licensee shall request a written verification of the dose data if the authenticity of the transmitted report cannot be established.

(6) - (9) (No change.)

(l) (No change.)

(m) Dose equivalent to an embryo/fetus.

(1) (No change.)

(2) The licensee shall make efforts to avoid substantial variation above a uniform monthly exposure rate to a declared pregnant woman so as to satisfy the limit in paragraph (1) of this subsection. The National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP) recommended in NCRP Report No. 91 "Recommendations on Limits for Exposure to Ionizing

Radiation" (June 1, 1987), that no more than 0.05 rem (0.5 mSv) to the embryo/fetus be received in any one month.

(3) - (4) (No change.)

(n) - (o) (No change.)

(p) General surveys and monitoring.

(1) (No change.)

(2) In addition to subsection (nn) of this section, records from surveys describing the location and amount of subsurface residual radioactivity identified at the site shall be kept with records important for decommissioning, and such records shall be retained in accordance with §289.252(gg) of this title (relating to Licensing of Radioactive Material).

(3) - (5) (No change.)

(q) - (cc) (No change.)

(dd) Exemptions to labeling requirements. A licensee is not required to label:

(1) - (3) (No change.)

(4) containers when they are in transport and packaged and labeled in accordance with the rules of the DOT (labeling of packages containing radioactive materials is required by the DOT if the amount and type of radioactive material exceeds the limits for an excepted quantity or article as defined and limited by DOT regulations Title 49, CFR, §§173.403(m) and (w) and 173.424);

(5) - (6) (No change.)

(ee) Procedures for receiving and opening packages.

(1) Each licensee who expects to receive a package containing quantities of radioactive material in excess of a Type A quantity, as defined in §289.201(b) of this title (relating to General Provisions for Radioactive Material) and specified in §289.257(ee) of this title (relating to Packaging and Transportation of Radioactive Material), shall make arrangements to receive:

(A) - (B) (No change.)

(2) Each licensee shall:

(A) (No change.)

(B) monitor the external surfaces of a labeled package, labeled with a Radioactive White I, Yellow II, or Yellow III label as specified in DOT regulations Title 49, CFR, §§172.403 and 172.436 - 440, for radiation levels unless the package contains quantities of radioactive material that are less than or equal to the Type A quantity, as defined in §289.201(b) of this title and specified in §289.257(ee) of this title; and

(C) (No change.)

(3) (No change.)

(4) The licensee shall immediately notify the final delivery carrier and, by telephone, facsimile, or electronic media transmission, the agency when removable radioactive surface contamination or external radiation levels exceed the limits established in subparagraphs (A) and (B) of this paragraph.

(A) - (B) (No change.)

(5) - (6) (No change.)

(ff) General requirements for waste management.

(1) Unless otherwise exempted, a licensee shall discharge, treat, or decay licensed material or transfer waste for disposal only:

(A) by transfer to an authorized recipient as provided in subsection (jj) of this section, §289.252 of this title, §289.257 of this title, §289.259 of this title, or to the United States Department of Energy (DOE);

(B) (No change.)

(C) by release in effluents within the limits in subsection (n) of this section in accordance with the applicable requirements of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) or the Railroad Commission of Texas (RRC);

(D) as authorized in accordance with paragraph (2) of this subsection, and subsections (gg), (hh), and (fff) of this section; or

(E) by transfer of residual waste to the originating supplier pharmacy for decay in storage in accordance with Title 30, Texas Administrative Code (TAC), §336.1209.

(2) Upon agency approval, emission control dust and other material from electric arc furnaces or foundries contaminated as a result of inadvertent melting of cesium-137 or

americium-241 sources may be transferred for disposal to a hazardous waste disposal facility authorized by TCEQ or its successor, another state's regulatory agency with jurisdiction to regulate hazardous waste as classified under Subtitle C of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), or the EPA. The material may be transferred for disposal without regard to its radioactivity if the following conditions are met.

(A) - (I) (No change.)

(J) The licensee transferring the cesium-137 or americium-241 contaminated incident-related material shall consult with the agency, the TCEQ or its successor, another state's regulatory agency with jurisdiction to regulate hazardous waste as classified under RCRA, or the EPA and other authorized parties, including state and local governments, and obtain all necessary approvals, in addition to those of NRC and/or appropriate agreement states, for the transfers described in paragraph (2) of this subsection.

(K) (No change.)

(L) The total incident-related cesium-137 activity described in paragraph (2) of this subsection received by a facility over its operating life shall not exceed 1 Ci (37 gigabecquerels (GBq)). The total incident-related americium-241 activity described in paragraph (2) of this subsection received by a facility over its operating life shall not exceed 30 mCi (1.11 megabecquerels (MBq)). The agency will maintain a record of the total incident-related cesium-137 or americium-241 activity shipped by a person licensed by the agency. Upon consultation with the TCEQ, the agency will determine if the total incident-related activity received by a hazardous waste disposal facility over its operating life has reached 1 Ci (37 GBq) of cesium-137 or 30 mCi (1.11 MBq) of americium-241. The agency will not approve shipments of cesium-137 or americium-241 contaminated incident-related material that will cause this limit to be exceeded.

(3) Radioactive waste exempted by TCEQ for disposal in a hazardous waste disposal facility permitted by TCEQ in accordance with Subtitle C of the RCRA may be transferred for disposal as authorized by TCEQ.

(4) A person shall be specifically licensed to receive waste containing licensed material from other persons for:

(A) treatment prior to disposal;

(B) treatment by incineration;

(C) decay in storage;

(D) disposal at an authorized land disposal facility; or

(E) storage until transferred to a storage or disposal facility authorized to receive the waste.

(5) Byproduct material as defined in §289.201(b)(15)(C) - (E) of this title may be disposed of in accordance with Title 10, CFR, Part 61, even though it is not defined as low level radioactive waste. Therefore, any byproduct material being disposed of at a facility, or transferred for ultimate disposal at a facility licensed under Title 10, CFR, Part 61, shall meet the requirements of this chapter.

(6) A licensee may dispose of byproduct material, as defined in §289.201(b)(19)(C) - (E) of this title, at a disposal facility authorized to dispose of such material in accordance with any Federal or State solid or hazardous waste law.

(7) Any licensee shipping byproduct material as defined in §289.201(b)(19)(C) - (E) of this title intended for ultimate disposal at a land disposal facility licensed under Title 10, CFR, Part 61, shall document the information required on the NRC's Uniform Low-Level Radioactive Waste Manifest and transfer this recorded manifest information to the intended consignee in accordance with §289.257(gg) of this title.

(gg) - (mm) (No change.)

(nn) Records of surveys.

(1) Each licensee shall maintain records showing the results of surveys and calibrations required by subsections (p) and (ee)(2) of this section and include a unique identification of survey instrument(s). The licensee shall retain these records for three years after the record is made.

(2) Record of the calibration shall include:

(A) the manufacturer's name, model and serial number of each calibrated source and/or device;

(B) the complete date of the calibration; and

(C) the name of the individual recording the information.

(3) [(2)] The licensee shall retain each of the following records until the agency terminates each pertinent license requiring the record:

(A) the results of surveys to determine the dose from external sources of radiation used, in the absence of or in combination with individual monitoring data, in the assessment of individual dose equivalents; and

(B) results of measurements and calculations used to determine individual intakes of radioactive material and used in the assessment of internal dose; and

(C) results of air sampling, surveys, and bioassays required in accordance with subsection (x)(1)(C)(i) and (ii) of this section; and

(D) results of measurements and calculations used to evaluate the release of radioactive effluents to the environment.

(oo) - (vv) (No change.)

(ww) Reports of stolen, lost, or missing licensed sources of radiation.

(1) (No change.)

(2) Each licensee required to make a report in accordance with paragraph (1) of this subsection shall, within 30 days after making the telephone report, make a written report to the agency setting forth the following information:

(A) a description of the licensed source of radiation involved, including, for radioactive material, the kind, quantity, chemical and physical form, source and/or device manufacturer, model number, and serial number;

(B) - (F) (No change.)

(3) - (4) (No change.)

(xx) Notification of incidents.

(1) - (2) (No change.)

(3) Licensees shall make the initial notification reports required by paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection by telephone to the agency and shall confirm the initial notification report within 24 hours by facsimile or electronic media transmission to the agency.

(4) - (6) (No change.)

(7) Each licensee shall notify the agency within 24 hours after the discovery of any of the following events involving radioactive material:

(A) an unplanned contamination event that:

(i) - (ii) (No change.)

(iii) has access to the area restricted for a reason other than to allow isotopes with a half-life of less than 24 hours to decay prior to decontamination;

(B) - (D) (No change.)

(8) Preparation and submission of reports. Reports made by licensees in response to the requirements of paragraphs (6) and (7) of this subsection shall be made as follows.

(A) Licensees shall make reports required by paragraphs (6) and (7) of this subsection by telephone to the agency. To the extent that the information is available at the time of notification, the information provided in these reports shall include:

(i) - (iii) (No change.)

(iv) the isotopes, quantities, and chemical and physical form of the radioactive material involved;

(v) any personnel radiation exposure data available; and

(vi) the source and/or device manufacturer, model, and serial number.

(B) Each licensee who makes a report required by paragraphs (6) and (7) of this subsection shall submit to the agency a written follow-up report within 30 days of the initial report. Written reports prepared in accordance with other requirements of this chapter may be submitted to fulfill this requirement if the reports contain all of the necessary information and the appropriate distribution is made. The reports must include the following:

(i) - (ii) (No change.)

(iii) the isotopes, quantities, chemical and physical form of the radioactive material involved, and the source and/or device manufacturer, model number, and serial number;

(iv) - (vi) (No change.)

(yy) Reports of exposures, radiation levels, and concentrations of radioactive material exceeding the limits.

(1) In addition to the notification required by subsection (xx) of this section, each licensee shall submit a written report within 30 days after learning of any of the following occurrences:

(A) - (C) (No change.)

(D) for licensees subject to the provisions of the EPA's generally applicable environmental radiation standards in Title 40, CFR, §190, levels of radiation or releases of radioactive material in excess of those standards, or of license conditions related to those requirements.

(2) Each report required by paragraph (1) of this subsection shall describe the extent of exposure of individuals to radiation and radioactive material, including, as appropriate:

(A) (No change.)

(B) the levels of radiation, dose limit exceeded, concentrations of radioactive material involved, and the source and/or device manufacturer, model number, and serial number;

(C) - (D) (No change.)

(3) - (4) (No change.)

(zz) - (aaa) (No change.)

(bbb) Reports of leaking or contaminated sealed sources. The licensee shall immediately notify the agency if the test for leakage or contamination required in accordance with §289.201(g) of this title indicates a sealed source is leaking or contaminated. A written report of a leaking or contaminated source shall be submitted to the agency within five days. The report shall include the equipment involved, including the device manufacturer, model and serial number; the test results; the date of the test; model and serial number; if assigned, of the leaking source, the radionuclide and its estimated activity; and the corrective action taken.

(ccc) (No change.)

(ddd) Radiological requirements for license termination.

(1) (No change.)

(2) Radiological requirements for unrestricted use. **[(A)]** A site will be considered acceptable for unrestricted use if the residual radioactivity that is distinguishable from background radiation results in a TEDE to an average member of the critical group that does not exceed 25 mrem (0.25 mSv) per year, including that from groundwater sources of drinking water, and the residual radioactivity has been reduced to levels that are ALARA. Determination of the levels that are ALARA shall take into account consideration of any detriments, such as deaths from transportation accidents, expected to potentially result from decontamination and waste disposal.

(3) Criteria for license termination under restricted conditions. A site will be considered acceptable for license termination under restricted conditions if:

(A) the licensee can demonstrate that further reductions in residual radioactivity necessary to comply with the provisions of paragraph (2) of the subsection would result in net public or environmental harm or were not being made because the residual levels associated with restricted conditions are ALARA. Determination of the levels which are ALARA must take into account consideration of any detriments, such as traffic accidents, expected to potentially result from decontamination and waste disposal;

(B) the licensee has made provisions for legally enforceable institutional controls that provide reasonable assurance that the TEDE from residual radioactivity distinguishable from background to the average member of the critical group will not exceed 25 mrem (0.25 mSv) per year;

(C) [(B)] the [The] licensee has provided sufficient financial assurance to enable an independent third party, including a governmental custodian of a site, to assume and carry out responsibilities for any necessary control and maintenance of the site. Acceptable financial assurance mechanisms are:

(i) funds placed into a trust segregated from the licensee's assets and outside the licensee's administrative control, and in which the adequacy of the trust funds is to be assessed based on an assumed annual 1% real rate of return on investment;

(ii) a statement of intent in the case of federal, state, or local government licensees, as described in §289.252(gg) of this title; or

(iii) when a governmental entity is assuming custody and ownership of a site, an arrangement that is deemed acceptable by such governmental entity.

(D) [(C)] the [The] licensee has submitted a decommissioning plan or License Termination Plan (LTP) to the agency indicating the licensee's intent to decommission in accordance with §289.252(y) of this title, and specifying that the licensee intends to decommission by restricting use of the site. The licensee shall document in the LTP or decommissioning plan how the advice of individuals and institutions in the community who may be affected by the decommissioning has been sought and incorporated, as appropriate, following analysis of that advice.

(i) Licensees proposing to decommission by restricting use of the site shall seek advice from such affected parties regarding the following matters concerning the proposed decommissioning:

(I) whether provisions for institutional controls proposed by the licensee;

(-a-) will provide reasonable assurance that the TEDE from residual radioactivity distinguishable from background to the average member of the critical group will not exceed 25 mrem (0.25 mSv) TEDE per year;

(-b-) will be enforceable; and

(-c-) will not impose undue burdens on the local community or other affected parties; and

(II) whether the licensee has provided sufficient financial assurance to enable an independent third party, including a governmental custodian of a site, to assume and carry out responsibilities for any necessary control and maintenance of the site.

(ii) In seeking advice on the issues identified in clause (i) of this subparagraph, the licensee shall provide for:

(I) participation by representatives of a broad cross section of community interests who may be affected by the decommissioning;

(II) an opportunity for a comprehensive, collective discussion on the issues by the participants represented; and

(III) a publicly available summary of the results of all such discussions, including a description of the individual viewpoints of the participants on the issues and the extent of agreement and disagreement among the participants on the issues; and

(E) ~~[(D)]~~ residual **[Residual]** radioactivity at the site has been reduced so that if the institutional controls were no longer in effect, there is reasonable assurance that the TEDE from residual radioactivity distinguishable from background to the average member of the critical group is ALARA and would not exceed either:

(i) 100 mrem (1 mSv) per year; or

(ii) 500 mrem (5 mSv) per year provided the licensee:

(I) demonstrates that further reductions in residual radioactivity necessary to comply with the 100 mrem/y (1 mSv/y) value of clause (i) of this subparagraph are not technically achievable, would be prohibitively expensive, or would result in net public or environmental harm;

(II) makes provisions for durable institutional controls; and

(III) provides sufficient financial assurance to enable a responsible government entity or independent third party, including a governmental custodian of a site, both to carry out periodic rechecks of the site no less frequently than every 5 years to assure that the institutional controls remain in place as necessary to meet the criteria of subparagraph (A) of this paragraph and to assume and carry out responsibilities for any necessary control and maintenance of those controls. Acceptable financial assurance mechanisms are those in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph.

(4) [(3)] Alternate requirements for license termination.

(A) The agency may terminate a license using alternate requirements greater than the dose requirements specified in paragraph (2) of this subsection if the licensee does the following:

(i) provides assurance that public health and safety would continue to be protected, and that it is unlikely that the dose from all man-made sources combined, other than medical, would be more than the 1 mSv per year (100 mrem per year) limit specified in subsection (o) of this section, by submitting an analysis of possible sources of exposure;

(ii) reduces doses to ALARA levels, taking into consideration any detriments such as traffic accidents expected to potentially result from decontamination and waste disposal;

(iii) has submitted a decommissioning plan to the agency indicating the licensee's intent to decommission in accordance with the requirements in §289.252(1)(7) of this title, and specifying that the licensee proposes to decommission by use of alternate requirements. The licensee shall document in the decommissioning plan how the advice of individuals and institutions in the community who may be affected by the decommissioning has been sought and addressed, as appropriate, following analysis of that advice. In seeking such advice, the licensee shall provide for the following:

(I) participation by representatives of a broad cross section of community interests who may be affected by the decommissioning;

(II) an opportunity for a comprehensive, collective discussion on the issues by the participants represented; and

(III) a publicly available summary of the results of all such discussions, including a description of the individual viewpoints of the participants on the issues and the extent of agreement and disagreement among the participants on the issues; and

(iv) has provided sufficient financial assurance in the form of a trust fund to enable an independent third party, including a governmental custodian of a site, to assume and carry out responsibilities for any necessary control and maintenance of the site.

(B) The use of alternate requirements to terminate a license requires the approval of the agency after consideration of the agency's recommendations that will address any comments provided by the EPA and any public comments submitted in accordance with paragraph (5) [(4)] of this subsection.

(5) [(4)] Public notification and public participation. Upon receipt of a decommissioning plan from the licensee, or a proposal from the licensee for release of a site in accordance with paragraphs [paragraph] (3) and (4) of this subsection, or whenever the agency deems such notice to be in the public interest, the agency will do the following:

(A) notify and solicit comments from the following:

(i) local and state governments in the vicinity of the site and any Indian Nation or other indigenous people that have treaty or statutory rights that could be affected by the decommissioning; and

(ii) the EPA for cases where the licensee proposes to release a site in accordance with paragraph (4) [(3)] of this subsection; and

(B) publish a notice in the *Texas Register* and a forum, such as local newspapers, letters to state or local organizations, or other appropriate forum, that is readily accessible to individuals in the vicinity of the site, and solicit comments from affected parties.

(6) [(5)] Minimization of contamination.

(A) Applicants for licenses, other than renewals, after October 1, 2000, shall describe in the application how facility design and procedures for operation will minimize, to the extent practical, contamination of the facility and the environment, facilitate eventual decommissioning, and minimize, to the extent practical, the generation of LLRW.

(B) Licensees shall, to the extent practical, conduct operations to minimize the introduction of residual radioactivity into the site, including the subsurface, in accordance with the existing radiation protection requirements and radiological criteria for license termination in this subsection.

(eee) (No change.)

(fff) Exemption of specific wastes.

(1) - (3) (No change.)

(4) Any licensee may, upon agency approval of procedures required in paragraph (6) of this subsection, discard licensed material included in subsection (ggg)(7) of this section, provided that it does not exceed the concentration and total curie limits contained therein, in a Type I municipal solid waste site as defined in the Municipal Solid Waste Regulations of the authorized regulatory agency (Title 30, Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 330) unless such licensed material also contains hazardous waste, as defined in §3(15) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, Health and Safety Code, Chapter 361. Any licensed material included in subsection (ggg)(7) of this section and which is a hazardous waste as defined in the Solid Waste Disposal Act may be discarded at a facility authorized to manage hazardous waste by the authorized regulatory agency.

(5) - (9) (No change.)

(ggg) Appendices.

(1) (No change.)

(2) Annual limits on intake (ALI) and derived air concentrations (DAC) of radionuclides for occupational exposure; effluent concentrations; concentrations for release to sanitary sewerage.

(A) - (B) (No change.)

(C) Effluent concentrations.

(i) - (iv) (No change.)

(v) The water concentrations were derived by taking the most restrictive occupational stochastic oral ingestion ALI and dividing by 7.3×10^7 . The factor of 7.3×10^7 milliliters (ml) includes the following components:

(I) (No change.)

(II) a factor of 7.3×10^5 ml which is the annual water intake of "Reference Man."

(vi) (No change.)

(D) Releases to sewers. The monthly average concentrations for release to sanitary sewerage are applicable to the provisions in subsection (gg) of this section. The concentration values were derived by taking the most restrictive occupational stochastic oral ingestion ALI and dividing by 7.3×10^6 ml. The factor of 7.3×10^6 ml is composed of a factor of 7.3×10^5 ml, the annual water intake by "Reference Man," and a factor of 10, such that the concentrations, if the sewage released by the licensee were the only source of water ingested by a

"Reference Man" during a year, would result in a committed effective dose equivalent of 0.5 rem.

(E) - (F) (No change.)

(3) (No change.)

(4) Classification and characteristics of low-level radioactive waste (LLRW).

(A) Classification of radioactive waste for land disposal.

(i) Considerations. Determination of the classification of LLRW involves two considerations. First, consideration shall be given to the concentration of long-lived radionuclides (and their shorter-lived precursors) whose potential hazard will persist long after such precautions as institutional controls, improved waste form, and deeper disposal have ceased to be effective. These precautions delay the time when long-lived radionuclides could cause exposures. In addition, the magnitude of the potential dose is limited by the concentration and availability of the radionuclide at the time of exposure. Second, consideration shall be given to the concentration of shorter-lived radionuclides for which requirements on institutional controls, waste form, and disposal methods are effective.

(ii) - (iv) (No change.)

(v) Classification determined by both long- and short-lived radionuclides. If the radioactive waste contains a mixture of radionuclides, some of which are listed in clause (iii)(V) of this subparagraph and some of which are listed in clause (iv)(VI) of this subparagraph, classification shall be determined as follows.

(I) - (II) (No change.)

(vi) - (viii) (No change.)

(B) - (C) (No change.)

(5) (No change.)

(6) Acceptable surface contamination levels.

Figure: 25 TAC §289.202(ggg)(6)

(7) Concentration and activity limits of nuclides for disposal in a Type I municipal solid waste site or a hazardous waste facility (for use in subsection (fff) of this section). The following table contains concentration and activity limits of nuclides for disposal in a Type I municipal solid waste site or a hazardous waste facility.

Figure: 25 TAC §289.202(ggg)(7)

(8) - (9) (No change.)

(hhh) Requirements for nationally tracked sources.

(1) (No change.)

(2) Category 1 and category 2 thresholds. The Terabecquerel (TBq) values are the regulatory standards. The curie (Ci) values specified are obtained by converting from the TBq value. The curie values are provided for practical usefulness only.

Figure: 25 TAC §289.202(hhh)(2)

(3) (No change.)

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NUCLIDE ^a	AVERAGE ^{bcf}	MAXIMUM ^{bdf}	REMOVABLE ^{bcef}
U-nat, U-235, U-238, and associated decay products except Ra-226, Th-230, Ac-227, and Pa-231	5,000 dpm alpha/ 100 cm ²	15,000 dpm alpha/ 100 cm ²	1,000 dpm alpha/ 100 cm ²
Transuranics, Ra-223, Ra-224, Ra-226, Ra-228, Th-nat, Th-228, Th-230, Th-232, U-232, Pa-231, Ac-227, Sr-90, I-129	1,000 dpm/100 cm ²	3,000 dpm/100 cm ²	200 dpm/100 cm ²
Beta-gamma emitters (nuclides with decay modes other than alpha emission or spontaneous fission) except Sr-90 and others noted above	5,000 dpm beta, gamma/100 cm ²	15,000 dpm beta, gamma/100 cm ²	1,000 dpm beta, gamma/100 cm ²
Tritium (applicable to surface and subsurface) ^g	NA	NA	10,000 dpm/100 cm ²

^a Where surface contamination by both alpha and beta-gamma emitting nuclides exists, the limits established for alpha and beta-gamma emitting nuclides shall apply independently.

^b As used in this table, dpm (disintegrations per minute) means the rate of emission by radioactive material as determined by correcting the counts per minute observed by an appropriate detector for background, efficiency, and geometric factors associated with the instrumentation.

^c Measurements of average contamination level should not be averaged over more than 1 square meter. For objects of less surface area, the average should be derived for each object.

^d The maximum contamination level applies to an area of not more than 100 cm².

- ^e The amount of removable radioactive material per 100 cm² of surface area shall be determined by wiping that area with dry filter or soft absorbent paper, applying moderate pressure, and assessing the amount of radioactive material on the wipe with an appropriate instrument of known efficiency. When removable contamination on objects of less surface area is determined, the pertinent levels shall be reduced proportionally and the entire surface shall be wiped.
- ^f The **[average and maximum]** radiation levels associated with surface contamination resulting from beta-gamma emitters shall not exceed 0.2 mrad/hr at 1 centimeter for an average and shall not exceed 1.0 mrad/hr at 1 centimeter as a maximum, [respectively,] as measured through not more than 7 mg/cm² of total absorber. The external gamma exposure rate shall not exceed 5 microentgen per hour above background at 1 meter from the surface, and for soil 10 microentgen per hour above background at 1 meter.
- ^g Property recently exposed or decontaminated, shall have measurements (smears) at regular time intervals to ensure that there is not a build-up of contamination over time. Because tritium typically penetrates material it contacts, the surface guidelines in group 4 are not applicable to tritium. The agency has reviewed the analysis conducted by the Department of Energy Tritium Surface Contamination Limits Committee ("Recommended Tritium Surface Contamination Release Guides," February 1991), and has assessed potential doses associated with the release of property containing residual tritium. The agency recommends the use of the stated guideline as an interim value for removable tritium. Measurements demonstrating compliance of the removable fraction of tritium on surfaces with this guideline are acceptable to ensure that non-removable fractions and residual tritium in mass will not cause exposures that exceed dose limits as specified in this section and agency constraints.

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Nuclides	Concentrations Limit (Ci/m ³)	Annual Generator Disposal Limit (Ci/yr)
F-18	3×10^{-1}	8
Si-31	$1 \times 10^{+2}$	$3 \times 10^{+3}$
Na-24	9×10^{-4}	2×10^{-2}
P-32	2	$5 \times 10^{+1}$
P-33	10	$3 \times 10^{+2}$
S-35	9	$2 \times 10^{+2}$
Ar-41	3×10^{-1}	8
K-42	2×10^{-2}	5×10^{-1}
Ca-45	4	$1 \times 10^{+2}$
Ca-47	2×10^{-2}	5×10^{-1}
Sc-46	2×10^{-3}	5×10^{-2}
Cr-51	6×10^{-1}	$2 \times 10^{+1}$
Fe-59	5×10^{-3}	1×10^{-1}
Co-57	6×10^{-2}	2
Co-58	1×10^{-2}	3×10^{-1}
Zn-65	7×10^{-3}	2×10^{-1}
Ga-67	3×10^{-1}	8
Se-75	5×10^{-2}	1
Br-82	2×10^{-3}	5×10^{-2}
Rb-86	4×10^{-2}	1
Sr-85	2×10^{-2}	5×10^{-1}
Sr-89	8	$2 \times 10^{+2}$
Y-90	4	$1 \times 10^{+2}$
Y-91	4×10^{-1}	10
Zr-95	8×10^{-3}	2×10^{-1}
Nb-95	8×10^{-3}	2×10^{-1}
Mo-99	5×10^{-2}	1
Tc-99m	1	$3 \times 10^{+1}$
Rh-106	1	$3 \times 10^{+1}$
Ag-110m	2×10^{-3}	5×10^{-2}
Cd-115m	2×10^{-1}	5
In-111	9×10^{-2}	2

Nuclides	Concentrations Limit (Ci/m ³)	Annual Generator Disposal Limit (Ci/yr)
In-113m	9	2 x 10 ⁺²
Sn-113	6 x 10 ⁻²	2
Sn-119	2 x 10 ⁺¹	5 x 10 ⁺²
Sb-124	2 x 10 ⁻³	5 x 10 ⁻²
Te-129	2 x 10 ⁻¹	5
I-123	4 x 10 ⁻¹	1 x 10 ⁺¹
I-125	7 x 10 ⁻¹	2 x 10 ⁺¹
I-131	4 x 10 ⁻²	1
I-133	2 x 10 ⁻²	5 x 10 ⁻¹
Xe-127	8 x 10 ⁻²	2
Xe-133	1	3 x 10 ⁺¹
Ba-140	2 x 10 ⁻³	5 x 10 ⁻²
La-140	2 x 10 ⁻³	5 x 10 ⁻²
Ce-141	4 x 10 ⁻¹	1 x 10 ⁺¹
Ce-144	1 x 10 ⁻³	3 x 10 ⁻²
Pr-143	6	2 x 10 ⁺²
Nd-147	7 x 10 ⁻²	2
Yb-169	6 x 10 ⁻²	2
Ir-192	1 x 10 ⁻²	3 x 10 ⁻¹
Au-198	3 x 10 ⁻²	8 x 10 ⁻¹
Hg-197	8 x 10 ⁻¹	2 x 10 ⁺¹
Tl-201	4 x 10 ⁻¹	1 x 10 ⁺¹
Hg-203	1 x 10 ⁻¹	3

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NOTE: In any case where there is a mixture in waste of more than one radionuclide, the limiting values for purposes of this paragraph shall be determined as follows.

For each radionuclide in the mixture, calculate the ratio between the quantity present in the mixture and the limit established in this paragraph for the specific radionuclide when not in a mixture. The sum of such ratios for all the radionuclides in the mixture may not exceed "1" (i.e., "unity").

Examples: If radionuclides a, b, and c are present in concentrations C_a , C_b , and C_c , and if the applicable concentrations are CL_a , CL_b , and CL_c respectively, then the concentrations shall be limited so that the following relationship exists:

$$(C_a/CL_a) + (C_b/CL_b) + (C_c/CL_c) \leq 1$$

If the total curies for radionuclides a, b, and c are represented A_a , A_b , and A_c , and the annual curie limit for each radionuclide is AL_a , AL_b , and AL_c , then the generator is limited to the following:

$$(A_a/AL_a) + (A_b/AL_b) + (A_c/AL_c) \leq 1$$

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Category 1 and Category 2 Radioactive Material Thresholds

Radioactive material	Category 1 (TBq)	Category 1 (Ci)	Category 2 (TBq)	Category 2 (Ci)
Americium-241	60	1,620	0.6	16.2
Americium-241/Be	60	1,620	0.6	16.2
Californium-252	20	540	0.2	5.40
Cobalt-60	30	810	0.3	8.10
Curium-244	50	1,350	0.5	13.5
Cesium-137	100	2,700	1	27.0
Gadolinium-153	1,000	27,000	10	270
Iridium-192	80	2,160	0.8	21.6
Plutonium-238	60	1,620	0.6	16.2
Plutonium-239/Be	60	1,620	0.6	16.2
Promethium-147	40,000	1,080,000	400	10,800
Radium-226	40	1,080	0.4	10.8
Selenium-75	200	5,400	2	54.0
Strontium-90	1,000	27,000	10	270
Thulium-170	20,000	540,000	200	5,400
Ytterbium-169	300	8,100	3	81.0

Note: Calculations Concerning Multiple Sources or Multiple Radionuclides

The "sum of fractions" methodology for evaluating combinations of multiple sources or multiple radionuclides is to be used in determining whether a location meets or exceeds the threshold and is thus subject to the requirements of §289.252(ii) of this title.

I. If multiple sources of the same radionuclide and/or multiple radionuclides are aggregated at a location, the sum of the ratios of the total activity of each of the radionuclides must be determined to verify whether the activity at the location is less than the category 1 or category 2 thresholds of Table 1, as appropriate. If the calculated sum of the ratios, using the equation below, is greater than or equal to 1.0, then the applicable requirements of §289.252(ii) of this title apply.

II. First determine the total activity for each radionuclide from Table 1. This is done by adding the activity of each individual source, material in any device, and any loose or bulk material that contains the radionuclide. Then use the equation below to calculate the sum of the ratios by inserting the total activity of the applicable radionuclides from Table 1 in the numerator of the equation and the corresponding threshold activity from Table 1 in the denominator of the equation.

Calculations must be performed in metric values (i.e., TBq) and the numerator and denominator values must be in the same units.

R_1 = total activity for radionuclide 1

R_2 = total activity for radionuclide 2

R_N = total activity for radionuclide n

AR_1 = activity threshold for radionuclide 1

AR_2 = activity threshold for radionuclide 2

AR_N = activity threshold for radionuclide n

$$\sum_1^n \left[\frac{R_1}{AR_1} + \frac{R_2}{AR_2} + \frac{R_n}{AR_n} \right] \geq 1.0$$