
STATUTORY RULES OF NORTHERN IRELAND

2001 No. 436

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

Hazard identification and risk evaluation

4.—(1) In relation to work with ionising radiation to which these Regulations apply—

- (a) every operator shall, before such work is for the first time carried out at the premises, make an assessment; and
- (b) every carrier shall before he for the first time undertakes the transport of any radioactive substance make or ensure that there has been made an assessment,

which, in either case, is sufficient to demonstrate that—

- (c) all hazards arising from that work with the potential to cause a radiation accident have been identified; and
- (d) the nature and magnitude of the risks to employees and other persons arising from those hazards have been evaluated.

(2) Where the assessment made for the purposes of paragraph (1) or of regulation 5 shows that a radiation risk to employees or other persons exists from an identifiable radiation accident, the operator or carrier, as the case may be, shall take all reasonably practicable steps to—

- (a) prevent any such accident; and
- (b) limit the consequences of any such accident which does occur.

(3) The requirements of this regulation are without prejudice to the requirements of regulation 3 (Risk assessment) of the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000⁽¹⁾ and to regulation 7 (Prior risk assessment etc.) of the 2000 Regulations.