

SCHEDULE 9

Regulation 22(4)

Information to be supplied in the event of a radiation emergency

1. Information on the type of emergency which has occurred, and, where possible, its characteristics, for example, its origin, extent and probable development.
2. Advice on protective action which may include, depending on the type of emergency—
 - (a) any restrictions on the consumption of certain foodstuffs and water supply likely to be contaminated;
 - (b) any basic rules on hygiene and decontamination;
 - (c) any recommendation to stay indoors;
 - (d) the distribution and use of protective substances;
 - (e) any evacuation arrangements;
 - (f) special warnings for certain population groups.
3. Details concerning any announcements recommending cooperation with instructions or requests by the regulator.
4. Where an incident which is likely to give rise to a release of radioactivity or ionising radiation has taken place but no release has yet occurred, the information and advice should include the following—
 - (a) details of the relevant communications channels on which information about the incident will be available;
 - (b) preparatory advice to establishments with particular collective responsibilities; and
 - (c) recommendations to occupational groups particularly affected.
5. If time permits, information setting out the basic facts about radioactivity and its effects on persons and on the environment.
6. In paragraph 4(b), “establishments with particular collective responsibilities” means hospitals, care homes, schools or similar establishments.