§ 1016.1 General Provisions

§ 1016.1 Purpose.

The regulations in this part establish requirements for the safeguarding of Secret and Confidential Restricted Data received or developed under an access permit. This part does not apply to Top Secret information since no such information may be forwarded to an access permittee within the scope of this regulation.

§ 1016.2 Scope.

The regulations in this part apply to all persons who may require access to Restricted Data used, processed, stored, reproduced, transmitted, or handled in connection with an access permit.

§ 1016.3 Definitions.

(a) Access authorization or security clearance. An administrative determination by the DOE that an individual who is either a DOE employee, applicant for employment, consultant, assignee, other Federal department or agency employee (and other persons who may be designated by the Secretary of Energy), or a DOE contractor or subcontractor employee and an access permittee is eligible for access to Restricted Data. Access authorizations or security clearances granted by DOE are designated as “Q,” “Q(X),” “L,” “L(X),” “Top Secret,” or “Secret.” For the purpose of this chapter only “Q,” “Q(X),” “L,” and “L(X)” access authorizations or clearances will be defined.

(1) “Q” access authorizations or clearances are based upon full field investigations conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Office of Personnel Management, or another Government agency which conducts personnel security investigations. They permit an individual to have access, on a “need to know” basis, to Top Secret, Secret, and Confidential Restricted Data, Formerly Restricted Data, National Security Information, or special nuclear material in Category I or II quantities as required in the performance of duties.

(2) “Q(X)” access authorizations or clearances are based upon the same full field investigations as described in §1016.3(a)(1), above. When “Q” access authorizations or clearances are granted to access permittees they are identified as “Q(X)” access authorizations or clearances and authorize access only to the type of Secret Restricted Data as specified in the permit and consistent with appendix A, 10 CFR part 725, “Categories of Restricted Data Available.”


(c) Authorized classifier. An individual authorized in writing by appropriate DOE authority to classify, declassify, or downgrade the classification of information, work, projects, documents, and materials.

(d) Classified mail address. A mail address established for each access permittee approved by the DOE to which all Restricted Data for the permittee is to be sent.

(e) Classified matter. Documents and material containing classified information.

(f) Combination lock. A built-in combination lock on a security container which is of tempered steel alloy hard plate, at least 3/4” in thickness and...
Rockwell hardness of C-63 to C-65, of sufficient size and so located as to sufficiently impede access to the locking mechanism by drilling of the lock or container.

(g) DOE. The United States Department of Energy or its duly authorized representatives.

(h) Document. Any piece of recorded information regardless of its physical form or characteristics.

(i) Formerly Restricted Data. Classified information jointly determined by the DOE and the Department of Defense to be related primarily to the military utilization of atomic weapons and removed by the DOE from the Restricted Data category pursuant to section 142(d) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended.

(j) Infraction. An act or omission involving failure to comply with DOE safeguards and security orders or directives, and may include a violation of law.

(k) Intrusion alarm. A tamper-indicating electrical, electro-mechanical, electro-optical, electronic or similar device which will detect unauthorized intrusion by an individual into a building or security area, and alert protective personnel by means of actuated visible and audible signals.

(l) Material. A chemical substance without regard to form; fabricated or processed item; or assembly, machinery, or equipment.

(m) Matter. Documents or material.

(n) National Security. The national defense and foreign relations of the United States.

(o) National Security Information. Information that has been determined pursuant to Executive Order 12958, as amended “Classified National Security Information” and Executive Order 12352 “Further Amendment to Executive Order 12958, as Amended, Classified National Security Information” or any predecessor order to require protection against unauthorized disclosure and that is so designated.

(p) “Need to know.” A determination by persons having responsibility for classified information or matter, that a proposed recipient’s access to such classified information or matter is necessary in the performance of official, contractual, or access permit duties of employment under cognizance of the DOE.

(q) Permittee. The holder of an Access Permit issued pursuant to the regulations set forth in 10 CFR part 725, “Permits For Access to Restricted Data.”

(r) Person. Any individual, corporation, partnership, firm, association, trust, estate, public or private institution, group, Government agency other than DOE, any State or any political subdivision of, or any political entity within a State, or other entity; and any legal successor, representative, agency, or agency of the foregoing.

(s) Protective personnel. Guards or watchmen or other persons designated responsibility for the protection of classified matter.

(t) Restricted Data. All data concerning design, manufacture, or utilization of atomic weapons; the production of special nuclear material; or the use of special nuclear material in the production of energy, but shall not include data declassified or removed from the Restricted Data category pursuant to section 142 of the Act.

(u) Security area. A physically defined space containing classified matter and subject to physical protection and personnel access controls.

(v) Security clearance. See access authorization.

(w) Security facility. Any facility, including an access permittee, which has been approved by the DOE for using, processing, storing, reproducing, transmitting, or handling classified matter.

(x) Security facility approval. A determination by the DOE that a facility, including an access permittee, is eligible to use, process, store, reproduce, transmit, or handle classified matter.

(y) Security Plan. A written plan by the access permittee, and submitted to the DOE for approval, which outlines the permittee’s proposed security procedures and controls for the protection of Restricted Data and which includes a floor plan of the area in which the matter is to be used, processed, stored, reproduced, transmitted, or handled.

(z) Security survey. An onsite examination by a DOE representative of all
§ 1016.4 Communications.

Communications concerning rule-making, i.e., petition to change part 1016, should be addressed to the Chief Health, Safety and Security Officer, HS–1/Forrestal Building, Office of Health, Safety and Security, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585. All other communications concerning the regulations in this part should be addressed to the cognizant DOE or National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) office.

§ 1016.5 Submission of procedures by access permit holder.

No access permit holder shall have access to Restricted Data until he shall have submitted to the DOE a written statement of his procedures for the safeguarding of Restricted Data and for the security education of his employees, and DOE shall have determined and informed the permittee that his procedures for the safeguarding of Restricted Data are in compliance with the regulations in this part and that his procedures for the security education of his employees, who will have access to Restricted Data, are informed about and understand the regulations in this part.

§ 1016.6 Specific waivers.

DOE may, upon application of any interested party, grant such waivers from the requirements of this part as it determines are authorized by law and will not constitute an undue risk to the common defense and security.

§ 1016.7 Interpretations.

Except as specifically authorized by the Secretary of Energy in writing, no interpretation of the meaning of the regulations in this part by any officer or employee of DOE other than a written interpretation by the General Counsel will be recognized to be binding upon DOE.

§ 1016.8 Approval for processing access permittees for security facility approval.

(a) An access permittee who has a need to use, process, store, reproduce, transmit, or handle Restricted Data at any location in connection with its permit shall promptly request a DOE security facility approval.

(b) The request shall include the following information: The name and address of the permittee; the extent and scope of the classified activity and the highest classification of Restricted Data to be received; a written statement in the form of a security plan which outlines the permittee’s proposed security procedures and controls for the protection of Restricted Data, including a floor plan of the area(s) in which the classified matter is to be used, processed, stored, reproduced, transmitted, and handled.

(c) The DOE will promptly inform the permittee of the acceptability of the request for further processing and will notify the permittee of its decision in writing.

§ 1016.9 Processing security facility approval.

The following receipt of an acceptable request for security facility approval, the DOE will perform an initial security survey of the permittee’s facility to determine that granting a security facility approval would be consistent with the national security. If DOE makes such a determination, security facility approval will be granted. If not, security facility approval will be withheld pending compliance with the security survey recommendations or until a waiver is granted pursuant to § 1016.6 of this part.

§ 1016.10 Grant, denial, or suspension of security facility approval.

Notification of the DOE's grant, denial, or suspension of security facility approval will be furnished the permittee in writing, or orally with written confirmation. This information may also be furnished to representatives of the DOE, DOE contractors, or other Federal agencies having a need.