§ 835.603 Radiological areas and radioactive material areas.

Each access point to radiological areas and radioactive material areas (as defined at §835.2) shall be posted with conspicuous signs bearing the wording provided in this section.

(a) Radiation area. The words “Caution, Radiation Area” shall be posted at each radiation area.

(b) High radiation area. The words “Caution, High Radiation Area” or “Danger, High Radiation Area” shall be posted at each high radiation area.

(c) Very high radiation area. The words “Grave Danger, Very High Radiation Area” shall be posted at each very high radiation area.

(d) Airborne radioactivity area. The words “Caution, Airborne Radioactivity Area” or “Danger, Airborne Radioactivity Area” shall be posted at each airborne radioactivity area.

(e) Contamination area. The words “Caution, Contamination Area” shall be posted at each contamination area.

(f) High contamination area. The words “Caution, High Contamination Area” or “Danger, High Contamination Area” shall be posted at each high contamination area.

(g) Radioactive material area. The words “Caution, Radioactive Material(s)” shall be posted at each radioactive material area.

§ 835.604 Exceptions to posting requirements.

(a) Areas may be excepted from the posting requirements of §835.603 for periods of less than 8 continuous hours when placed under continuous observation and control of an individual knowledgeable of, and empowered to implement, required access and exposure control measures.

(b) Areas may be excepted from the radioactive material area posting requirements of §835.603(g) when:

(1) Posted in accordance with §§835.603(a) through (f); or

(2) Each item or container of radioactive material is labeled in accordance with this subpart such that individuals entering the area are made aware of the hazard; or

(3) The radioactive material of concern consists solely of structures or installed components which have been activated (i.e., such as by being exposed to neutron radiation or particles produced by an accelerator).

(c) Areas containing only packages received from radioactive material transportation labeled and in non-degraded condition need not be posted in accordance with §835.603 until the packages are monitored in accordance with §835.405.

§ 835.605 Labeling items and containers.

Except as provided at §835.606, each item or container of radioactive material shall bear a durable, clearly visible label bearing the standard radiation warning trefoil and the words “Caution, Radioactive Material” or “Danger, Radioactive Material.” The label shall also provide sufficient information to permit individuals handling, using, or working in the vicinity of the items or containers to take precautions to avoid or control exposures.

§ 835.606 Exceptions to labeling requirements.

(a) Items and containers may be excepted from the radioactive material labeling requirements of §835.605 when:

(1) Used, handled, or stored in areas posted and controlled in accordance with this subpart and sufficient information is provided to permit individuals to take precautions to avoid or control exposures; or

(2) The quantity of radioactive material is less than one tenth of the values specified in appendix E of this part and less than 0.1 Ci; or

(3) Packaged, labeled, and marked in accordance with the regulations of the Department of Transportation or DOE Orders governing radioactive material transportation; or
(4) Inaccessible, or accessible only to individuals authorized to handle or use them, or to work in the vicinity; or
(5) Installed in manufacturing, process, or other equipment, such as reactor components, piping, and tanks; or
(6) The radioactive material consists solely of nuclear weapons or their components.
(b) Radioactive material labels applied to sealed radioactive sources may be excepted from the color specifications of §835.601(a).

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Subpart H—Records
§835.701 General provisions.
(a) Records shall be maintained to document compliance with this part and with radiation protection programs required by §835.101.
(b) Unless otherwise specified in this subpart, records shall be retained until final disposition is authorized by DOE.

§835.702 Individual monitoring records.
(a) Except as authorized by §835.702(b), records shall be maintained to document doses received by all individuals for whom monitoring was conducted and to document doses received during planned special exposures, unplanned doses exceeding the monitoring thresholds of §835.402, and authorized emergency exposures.
(b) Recording of the non-uniform equivalent dose to the skin is not required if the dose is less than 2 percent of the limit specified for the skin at §835.202(a)(4). Recording of internal dose (committed effective dose or committed equivalent dose) is not required for any monitoring result estimated to correspond to an individual receiving less than 0.01 rem (0.1 mSv) committed effective dose. The bioassay or air monitoring result used to make the estimate shall be maintained in accordance with §835.703(b) and the unrecorded internal dose estimated for any individual in a year shall not exceed the applicable monitoring threshold at §835.402(c).
(c) The records required by this section shall:

(1) Be sufficient to evaluate compliance with subpart C of this part;
(2) Be sufficient to provide dose information necessary to complete reports required by subpart I of this part;
(3) Include the results of monitoring used to assess the following quantities for external dose received during the year:
   (i) The effective dose from external sources of radiation (equivalent dose to the whole body may be used as effective dose for external exposure);
   (ii) The equivalent dose to the lens of the eye;
   (iii) The equivalent dose to the skin; and
   (iv) The equivalent dose to the extremities.
(4) Include the following information for internal dose resulting from intakes received during the year:
   (i) Committed effective dose;
   (ii) Committed equivalent dose to any organ or tissue of concern; and
   (iii) Identity of radionuclides.
(5) Include the following quantities for the summation of the external and internal dose:
   (i) Total effective dose in a year;
   (ii) For any organ or tissue assigned an internal dose during the year, the sum of the equivalent dose to the whole body from external exposures and the committed equivalent dose to that organ or tissue; and
   (iii) Cumulative total effective dose.
(6) Include the equivalent dose to the embryo/fetus of a declared pregnant worker.
(d) Documentation of all occupational doses received during the current year, except for doses resulting from planned special exposures conducted in compliance with §835.204 and emergency exposures authorized in accordance with §835.1302(d), shall be obtained to demonstrate compliance with §835.202(a). If complete records documenting previous occupational dose during the year cannot be obtained, a written estimate signed by the individual may be accepted to demonstrate compliance.
(e) For radiological workers whose occupational dose is monitored in accordance with §835.402, reasonable efforts shall be made to obtain complete