

4731.2350 PROCEDURES FOR RECEIVING AND OPENING PACKAGES.

Subpart 1. **Package receipt.** A licensee who expects to receive a package containing quantities of radioactive material in excess of a Type A quantity must make arrangements to receive:

- A. the package when the carrier offers it for delivery; or
- B. notification of the arrival of the package at the carrier's terminal and to take possession of the package expeditiously.

Subp. 2. **Monitoring requirements.** A licensee must:

- A. monitor the external surfaces of a package with a Radioactive White I, Yellow II, or Yellow III label as specified in Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, sections 172.403 and 172.436 to 172.440, for radioactive contamination unless the package contains only radioactive material in the form of a gas or in special form;
- B. monitor the external surfaces of a package with a Radioactive White I, Yellow II, or Yellow III label as specified in Code of Federal Regulations, title 49, sections 172.403 and 172.436 to 172.440, for radiation levels unless the package contains quantities of radioactive material that are less than or equal to a Type A quantity; and
- C. monitor all packages known to contain radioactive material for radioactive contamination and radiation levels if there is evidence of degradation of package integrity, such as packages that are crushed, wet, or damaged.

Subp. 3. **Timing.** A licensee must perform the monitoring required under subpart 2 as soon as practical after receipt of the package, but not later than three hours after the package is received at the licensee's facility if it is received during the licensee's normal working hours, or not later than three hours from the beginning of the next working day if it is received after working hours.

Subp. 4. **Immediate notification.** A licensee must immediately notify the final delivery carrier and the commissioner, by telephone, when:

- A. removable radioactive surface contamination exceeds the limits of part 4731.0415, item I; or
- B. external radiation levels exceed the limits under part 4731.0412.

The telephone notification to the commissioner required under this subpart must be made according to part 4731.0200, subpart 5.

Subp. 5. **Procedures required.** A licensee must:

- A. establish, maintain, and retain written procedures for safely opening packages in which radioactive material is received; and
- B. ensure that the procedures are followed and that due consideration is given to special instructions for the type of package being opened.

Subp. 6. **Exemption.** A licensee transferring special form sources in licensee-owned or licensee-operated vehicles to and from a work site is exempt from the contamination monitoring requirements under subpart 2, but is not exempt from the survey requirement under subpart 2 for measuring radiation levels that is required to ensure that the source is still properly lodged in its shield.

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