

**RADIATION PROTECTION PROCEDURES
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OUTSIDE WORKERS

P&P 10 Summary

Actions to be taken if another employer's classified worker is to undertake work in one of our controlled areas.

The Ionising Radiations Regulations 1999 defines an "OUTSIDE WORKER" as "a classified person who carries out services in the controlled area of any employer (other than . . . of his own employer)".

Outside workers may include classified service engineers, classified deliverers of radionuclides or even classified radiologists employed by another Trust.

Before an outside worker may enter the controlled area of another employer, that employer must¹

It is the duty of the RPS, in consulting with the RPA to -

- (i) provide the outside worker's employer with relevant information concerning the controlled area and related radiological risk.
- (ii) to take reasonable steps to ensure that the outside worker is fit enough and trained to safely carry out his work in the controlled area.
- (iii) ensure that the outside worker's dose is monitored and an estimate of his dose received is entered into his radiation passbook.

Such workers must carry a radiation passbook approved by the Health and Safety Executive. This passbook should contain information which will help the RPS determine some of the above.

Alternatively, the controlled area can be formally handed over to the service company for the appropriate period.

¹ IRR99 Reg. 18(2)(b)