



Western Australia

Radiation Safety Act 1975

Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Regulations 1980

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Defined terms

Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Regulations 1980

1. Citation

These regulations may be cited as the *Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Regulations 1980*.

2. Term used: approved

In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires —
approved means approved by the Council.

*[Regulation 2 amended: Gazette 20 Jul 1990 p. 3466;
14 Sep 1999 p. 4530.]*

3. Qualifications required of persons engaged in certain activities

(1) A person shall not engage in —

(a) the use of —

(i) irradiating apparatus for chiropractic radiography or industrial radiography; or

(ii) radioactive substances for industrial radiography or veterinary therapy;

[(b) deleted]

(c) the installation or repair of —

(i) X-ray apparatus; or

(ii) equipment incorporating radioactive substances,

unless he has passed an examination in radiation safety conducted by or on behalf of the Council, possesses an

approved qualification in radiation safety or has been exempted from compliance with this subregulation under subregulation (2).

- (2) The Council may, on the application of a person who wishes to engage in one or more of the activities referred to in paragraphs (a) and (c) of subregulation (1), exempt that person from compliance with that subregulation subject to such conditions, restrictions or limitations as the Council may under section 36 of the Act impose.

[Regulation 3 amended: Gazette 14 Sep 1999 p. 4530.]

4. Council may require qualifications of certain persons

The Council may, for the purpose of ensuring that a person who wishes to operate or use a particular type of radioactive substance, irradiating apparatus or electronic product, other than a radioactive substance, irradiating apparatus or electronic product referred to in regulation 3(1), for a purpose referred to in section 26(1)(a) of the Act is capable of doing so safely, require that person to pass an examination in radiation safety conducted by or on behalf of the Council or to possess an approved qualification in radiation safety within such period as is specified in that requirement.

5. Syllabus for examination in radiation safety

- (1) The syllabus for the examination in radiation safety referred to in regulations 3 and 4 shall consist of such of the subjects specified in Schedule 1 as the Council considers appropriate in each case.
- (2) A list of standards, rules, codes and specifications referred to in item 9 of Schedule 1 is to be made available free of charge at the office of the Council.

[Regulation 5 amended: Gazette 19 Apr 1984 p. 1108; 21 Feb 1997 p. 1172.]

5A. Fees

The fees specified in Schedule 2 are payable by persons desiring to sit for the examination in radiation safety referred to in regulations 3 and 4.

[Regulation 5A inserted: Gazette 19 Apr 1984 p. 1108.]

6. Penalty

A person who commits the offence of contravening regulation 3 or a requirement made under regulation 4 is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$1 000.

Schedule 1

[Regulation 5]

Subjects comprising syllabus of radiation safety examination

1. Properties and uses of radiation.
2. Production, detection and measurement of radiation.
3. Biological effects of radiation.
4. Circumstances which may give rise to radiation hazards and means of protecting persons from those hazards.
5. Theory and practice of production of radiographic or other images of persons, animals or things for diagnostic purposes.
6. Recognition of technical artefacts, and normal anatomy and pathology of persons shown in images.
7. Measures to be taken to eliminate unnecessary exposure, and to reduce dose from necessary exposure, of persons submitted to radiation for diagnostic purposes.
8. The *Radiation Safety Act 1975*, and regulations made thereunder, together with all amendments to that Act and those regulations.
9. Standards, rules, codes or specifications recognized by the Council for the purposes of regulation 5(1).

[Schedule 1 amended: Gazette 19 Apr 1984 p. 1108; 15 Mar 1991 p. 1127; 24 Jan 1992 p. 367; 25 Jun 1993 p. 3078; 21 Feb 1997 p. 1172.]

Schedule 2 — Fees for examinations

[Regulation 5A]

	Fee (\$)
1. Where the examination is in those parts of the syllabus set by the Council for persons desiring to engage in the use of irradiating apparatus for chiropractic radiography —	
(a) fee for restricted spinal examination (5 parts)	770.00
(b) fee for extended (skull, chest, extremity) examination	385.00
(c) fee for examination in both (a) and (b)	770.00
(d) fee for examination in part or parts of (a) or (b) or both (a) and (b)	385.00
2. Where the examination is conducted for the Council and is in a subject or subjects in a syllabus other than the syllabus referred to in item 1 —	
fee for each subject	60.00

[Schedule 2 inserted: Gazette 28 Jun 1996 p. 3020-1; amended: Gazette 14 Sep 1999 p. 4529-30; 30 Jun 2000 p. 3414; 30 Dec 2014 p. 5504; 19 May 2015 p. 1753-4; 17 Jun 2016 p. 2104-5; 30 Jun 2017 p. 3573; 14 Jun 2019 p. 1893; SL 2020/97 r. 14; SL 2021/108 r. 14; SL 2022/136 r. 23; SL 2023/96 r. 21.]

Notes

This is a compilation of the *Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Regulations 1980* and includes amendments made by other written laws. For provisions that have come into operation, and for information about any reprints, see the compilation table.

Compilation table

Citation	Published	Commencement
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Regulations 1980</i>	6 Jun 1980 p. 1669-71	6 Jun 1980
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1984</i>	19 Apr 1984 p. 1108	19 Apr 1984
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1988</i>	24 Jun 1988 p. 2008	24 Jun 1988
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1989</i>	17 Nov 1989 p. 4108	17 Nov 1989
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1990</i>	20 Jul 1990 p. 3466	20 Jul 1990
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1991</i>	15 Mar 1991 p. 1127	15 Mar 1991
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 1991</i>	28 Jun 1991 p. 3146	1 Jul 1991 (see r. 2)
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations (No. 3) 1991</i>	24 Jan 1992 p. 367	24 Jan 1992
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1992</i>	26 Jun 1992 p. 2699	1 Jul 1992 (see r. 2)
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1993</i>	25 Jun 1993 p. 3077-8	25 Jun 1993
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 1993</i>	25 Jun 1993 p. 3091	1 Oct 1993
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1994</i>	27 May 1994 p. 2211	1 Jul 1994 (see r. 2)
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1995</i>	27 Jun 1995 p. 2549	1 Oct 1995 (see r. 2)

Citation	Published	Commencement
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 1996</i>	28 Jun 1996 p. 3020-1	1 Oct 1996 (see r. 2)
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1997</i>	21 Feb 1997 p. 1171-2	21 Feb 1997
Reprint of the Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Regulations 1980 as at 26 Mar 1999 (includes amendments listed above)		
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 1999</i>	14 Sep 1999 p. 4529-30	1 Oct 1999 (see r. 2)
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations (No. 2) 1999</i>	14 Sep 1999 p. 4530	14 Sep 1999
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 2000</i>	30 Jun 2000 p. 3413-14	1 Jul 2000 (see r. 2)
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 2014</i>	30 Dec 2014 p. 5503-4	r. 1 and 2: 30 Dec 2014 (see r. 2(a)); Regulations other than r. 1 and 2: 31 Dec 2014 (see r. 2(b))
Reprint 2: The Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Regulations 1980 as at 6 Feb 2015 (includes amendments listed above)		
<i>Radiation Safety (Qualifications) Amendment Regulations 2015</i>	19 May 2015 p. 1753-4	r. 1 and 2: 19 May 2015 (see r. 2(a)); Regulations other than r. 1 and 2: 1 Jul 2015 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Health Regulations Amendment (Fees and Charges) Regulations 2016 Pt. 7</i>	17 Jun 2016 p. 2101-5	1 Jul 2016 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Health Regulations Amendment (Fees and Charges) Regulations 2017 Pt. 10</i>	30 Jun 2017 p. 3568-74	1 Jul 2017 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Health Regulations Amendment (Fees and Charges) Regulations 2019 Pt. 10</i>	14 Jun 2019 p. 1883-94	1 Jul 2019 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Health Regulations Amendment (Fees and Charges) Regulations 2020 Pt. 7</i>	SL 2020/97 26 Jun 2020	1 Jul 2020 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Health Regulations Amendment (Fees and Charges) Regulations 2021 Pt. 7</i>	SL 2021/108 29 Jun 2021	1 Jul 2021 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Health Regulations Amendment (Fees and Charges) Regulations 2022 Pt. 10</i>	SL 2022/136 15 Jul 2022	16 Jul 2022 (see r. 2(b))
<i>Health Regulations Amendment (Fees and Charges) Regulations 2023 Pt. 10</i>	SL 2023/96 30 Jun 2023	1 Jul 2023 (see r. 2(b))

Defined terms

*[This is a list of terms defined and the provisions where they are defined.
The list is not part of the law.]*

Defined term	Provision(s)
approved	2