



Syllabus for Radiation Safety section of CCPM Membership Exam for Radiation Oncology, Nuclear Medicine and Diagnostic Radiology sub-specialties.

Topics

- 1. Objectives and principles of radiation protection
- 2. ALARA
- 3. Dosimetric quantities and units
- 4. Natural and human-made sources of radiation exposure
- 5. Biological Effects of Ionizing Radiation
- 6. Instrumentation
- 7. Counting statistics
- 8. Basic External Dosimetry
- 9. Basic Internal Dosimetry
- 10. Familiarity with Canadian and international Agencies
- 11. CNSC regulations (see www.nuclearsafety.gc.ca)
- 12. Organization and administration of Radiation Safety Programs (licensing, relationships to hospital administration/occupational health & safety)
- 13. Monitoring and interpretation
- 14. Transportation and waste
- 15. Emergencies & incident preparation/planning and response

References

Note: This list is not to be considered comprehensive

- 1. Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission documents, including:
 - Nuclear Safety and Control Act
 - General Nuclear Safety and Control Regulations
 - Class II Nuclear Facilities and Prescribed Equipment Regulations
 - Nuclear Substances and Radiation Devices Regulations
 - Radiation Protection Regulations
 - Packaging and Transport of Nuclear Substances Regulations
- 2. Health Canada, Safety Code 35: Radiation Protection in Radiology Large Facilities
- 3. International Commission on Radiation Protection (ICRP) publications 60 and 103
- 4. National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements (NCRP) reports 49, 51, 147, 151 (facility design, diagnostic and therapy) and report 93
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