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IONISING RADIATIONS (PROTECTION OF WORKERS) ACT, 1968

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AN ACT to provide for notification of the commencement of any work or the installation of any machine capable of producing or emitting ionising radiations.

1 Notification of commencement of work involving exposure to radiations

Every proprietor of an undertaking shall before commencing therein for the first time any work involving the possible exposure to ionising radiations in the course of his work of any person employed or engaged in such work shall give to the Department not less than one month's notice in writing of the date of the intended commencement of such work, and shall furnish to the Department such particulars as the Department may require.¹

2 Notification of date of installation of machines or apparatus producing radiations

Without prejudice to the operation of section one of this Act, any person who proposes to install, or cause to be installed, on any premises used for the purposes of an undertaking, for use in such undertaking, any machine or apparatus which is capable of producing or emitting ionising radiations shall give to the Department not less than one month's notice in writing of the proposed date of the installations.²

3 Power to Department to issue directions

The Department may issue to any person carrying out or proposing to carry out any work of the nature mentioned in section one of this Act appropriate directions for the protection of any person employed or engaged in such work,

and it shall be the duty of the person to whom such directions are issued to comply therewith.³

4 Offences

Any person who contravenes any of the provisions of section one, two or three of this Act shall be guilty of an offence.⁴

5 [Repealed]⁵

6 Saving

Nothing in this Act shall apply: —

- (a) to work carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Code of Practice for the Protection of Persons against Ionising Radiations arising from Medical and Dental Use for the time being followed in the United Kingdom in a hospital vested in the Department of Health;⁶
- (b) to work of a nature which the Department, with the approval of Tynwald, may by Order declare to be exempt from the provisions of this Act, subject to the same being carried out in accordance with any requirements which may be contained in the Order.⁷

7 Interpretation

In this Act the following words and expressions have the meanings hereinafter respectively assigned to them, that is to say: —

“**Board**” [Repealed]⁸

“**business**” includes a service;

“**Department**” means the Department of Infrastructure;⁹

“**ionising radiations**” means electro-magnetic radiation (that is to say, X-ray or gamma ray protons or quanta) or corpuscular radiation (that is to say, alpha particles, beta particles, electrons, positrons, protons, neutrons, or heavy particles) being electro-magnetic radiation or corpuscular radiation capable of producing ions and emitting from a machine or apparatus which is intended to produce ionising radiations, or from a machine or apparatus in which electrons are accelerated by a voltage of not less than five kilovolts;

“**proprietor**”, in relation to an undertaking includes any person for the time being having the management or capital, or receiving the profits of, the business carried on in such undertaking, or employing any person engaged in such business;

“**undertaking**” includes any undertaking or business either of a public or private nature and whether the same be conducted for profit or otherwise.

8 Citation and commencement

- (1) This Act may be cited as the Ionising Radiations (Protection of Workers) Act, 1968.
- (2) This Act shall come into operation when the Royal Assent thereto has been by the Governor announced to Tynwald and a certificate thereof has been signed by the Governor and the Speaker of the House of Keys.

ENDNOTES**Table of Legislation History**

Legislation	Year and No	Commencement

Table of Renumbered Provisions

Original	Current

Table of Endnote References

¹ S 1 amended by GC192/86.

² S 2 amended by GC192/86.

³ S 3 amended by GC192/86.

⁴ S 4 amended by Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (of Parliament) Sch 10 (applied GC58/80).

⁵ S 5 repealed by Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 (of Parliament) Sch 10 (applied GC58/80).

⁶ Para (a) amended by Health and Social Security Act 1986 Sch 2 and by SD155/10 Sch 4.

⁷ Para (b) amended by GC192/86 and by Health and Social Security Act 1986 Sch 2.

⁸ Definition of "Board" repealed by GC192/86.

⁹ Definition of "Department" inserted by GC192/86 and amended by SD155/10 Sch 5.