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# PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

### **IONISING RADIATIONS (PROTECTION) ORDINANCE, 1966<sup>1</sup>**

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No amendments to 1 November 2017

No subsidiary legislation to 1 November 2017

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AN ORDINANCE to provide for the protection of workers against ionising radiations.

### Short title

**1.** This Ordinance may be cited as the Ionising Radiations (Protection) Ordinance, 1966.

### Interpretation

2. In this Ordinance—

"Authority" means the Senior Medical Officer/Clinical Director

- **"ionising radiations"** means electromagnetic 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, positons, protons, neutrons, or heavy particles) being electromagnetic radiation or corpuscular radiation capable of producing ions and emitted 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 not less than 5 kilovolts;
- "**proprietor**", in relation to an undertaking, includes any person for the time being having the management or control, or receiving the profits, of the business carried on in the undertaking, or employing any person engaged in the business.

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#### Notification of commencement of work involving exposure to radiation

**3.** Every proprietor of an undertaking before commencing in it any work involving the possible exposure to ionising radiations in the course of his or her work of any person employed or engaged in such work must give to the Authority not less than 3 months' notice in writing of the date of the intended commencement of such work, and must furnish to the Authority any particulars the Authority requires.

#### Notification of date of installation of machines or apparatus producing radiation

4. Without affecting the operation of section 3, any person who proposes to install, or cause to be installed, on any premises used for the purpose of an undertaking, for use in the undertaking, any machine or apparatus which is capable of producing or emitting ionising radiations must give to the Authority not less than 3 months' notice in writing of the proposed date of the installation.

#### Offences

5. A person who contravenes section 3 or 4 commits an offence. Penalty: A fine of  $\pounds 100$  or imprisonment for 6 months, or both.