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Workplace monitoring is basically the regular monitoring and assessment of the radiation levels to ensure a safe working environment at radiation facilities. For workplace monitoring, licensees should ensure that appropriate radiation detecting equipment are being used, and in most cases, where there is a potential risk of exposure to Gamma or X-Ray radiation, a portable radiation survey meter is required for the conduct of the exercise.

The RSNSA has received several requests from licensees to provide the technical specifications for the procurement of a portable radiation survey meter. The RSNSA has developed this guidance document to spell out the technical specifications and requirements for a portable radiation survey meter to be used for workplace monitoring.

A. Technical Specifications

The portable Radiation Survey Meter shall meet the following requirements -

- Radiation: Capable to measure Gamma and X-Ray radiation (Energy range: 40 keV to at least 1.5 MeV)
- 2. Detector: Geiger Mueller Tube (energy compensated)
- 3. Gamma dose rate: Ambient dose equivalent, H*(10)
- 4. Measurement Range: 0.01 μSv/h to 100 mSv/h
- 5. Measurement Accuracy: ±15%.
- 6. Unit of measurement: Sievert per hour (Sv/h)
- 7. Operating temperature: 10°C to 50°C
- 8. Relative humidity: up to 85% at +35°C
- 9. Norm: Meets CE requirements and IEC 60846
- Design and Weight: Compact in design, portable, hand-held and lightweight (less than 400 g including batteries)
- 11. Display: Digital LCD
- 12. Alarm: Audible signal with modulated sound which can be muted.

B. Additional requirements

Marking

The equipment shall have all safety markings in English language.

• Manual

The equipment shall be supplied with an operating manual in English language.

• Calibration

The equipment shall be supplied with its Calibration Certificate.

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