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IEC 60079-11	-	Explosive atmospheres - Part 11: Equipment protection by intrinsic safety "i"	-	-
IEC 62706	-	Radiation protection instrumentation - Environmental, electromagnetic and mechanical performance requirements	-	-
IEC 62755	-	Radiation protection instrumentation - Data format for radiation instruments used in the detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive materials	-	-
IEC/TR 62971	2015	Radiation instrumentation - Radiation sources used in illicit trafficking detection standards - Guidance and recommendations	-	-
UL 913	-	Standard for Intrinsically Safe Apparatus and Associated Apparatus for Use in Class I, II, III, Division 1, Hazardous (Classified) Locations	-	-
ICRU report 39	-	Determination of Dose Equivalents Resulting from External Radiation Sources	-	-
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# RADIATION PROTECTION INSTRUMENTATION – SPECTROSCOPY-BASED ALARMING PERSONAL RADIATION DETECTORS (SPRD) FOR THE DETECTION OF ILLICIT TRAFFICKING OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) making the standard consistent with the new standards for detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive material (see the Introduction);
- b) creating unformed functionality test for all environmental, electromagnetic and mechanical tests and a requirement for the coefficient of variation of each nominal mean reading;
- c) reference to IEC 62706 for the environmental, electromagnetic and mechanical test conditions;
- d) adding information regarding climatic exposures.

The text of this International Standard is based on the following documents:

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## INTRODUCTION

It is important to detect illicit and inadvertent movement of radioactive materials in the form of radiation sources and contaminated metallurgical scrap. Radioactive sources out of regulatory control, so-called “orphan sources”, have frequently caused serious radiation exposures and widespread contamination. Although illicit trafficking of nuclear and other radioactive materials is not a new problem, concern about a nuclear “black market” has increased particularly in view of its terrorist potential.

In response to the technical policy of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the World Customs Organization (WCO), and the International Criminal Police Organization (Interpol) related to the detection and identification of special nuclear materials and security trends, nuclear instrumentation companies have developed and manufactured radiation instrumentation to assist in the detection of illicit movement of radioactive and special nuclear materials. This type of instrumentation is widely used for security purposes at nuclear facilities, border control checkpoints, and international seaports and airports.

To ensure that measurement results made at different locations are consistent, it is imperative that radiation instrumentation be designed to specifications based upon agreed performance requirements. IEC standards have been developed to establish performance requirements for personal radiation detectors, radiation portal monitors, highly sensitive gamma and neutron detection systems, spectrometric personal radiation detectors, and backpack-based radiation detection and identification systems. Table 1 contains a list of those standards.

**Table 1 – Overview of IEC radiation protection instrumentation standards**

Type of instrumentation	IEC number	Title of the standard
Body-worn	<b>62401</b>	Radiation protection instrumentation – Alarming Personal Radiation Devices (PRDs) for the detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive material
	<b>62618</b>	Radiation protection instrumentation – Spectroscopy-Based Alarming Personal Radiation Detectors (SPRD) for the detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive material
	<b>62694</b>	Radiation protection instrumentation – Backpack-type radiation detector (BRD) for the detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive material
Portable or hand-held	<b>62327</b>	Radiation protection instrumentation – Hand-held instruments for the detection and identification of radionuclides and for the estimation of ambient dose equivalent rate from photon radiation
	<b>62533</b>	Radiation protection instrumentation – Highly sensitive hand-held instruments for photon detection of radioactive material
	<b>62534</b>	Radiation protection instrumentation – Highly sensitive hand-held instruments for neutron detection of radioactive material
Portal	<b>62244</b>	Radiation protection instrumentation – Installed radiation portal monitors (RPMs) for the detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive and nuclear materials
	<b>62484</b>	Radiation protection instrumentation – Spectrometric radiation portal monitors (SRPMs) used for the detection and identification of illicit trafficking of radioactive material
Data format	<b>62755</b>	Radiation protection instrumentation – Data format for radiation instruments used in the detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive materials
Mobile system	<b>63121</b>	Radiation protection instrumentation – Vehicle-mounted mobile systems for the detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive materials

# RADIATION PROTECTION INSTRUMENTATION – SPECTROSCOPY-BASED ALARMING PERSONAL RADIATION DETECTORS (SPRD) FOR THE DETECTION OF ILLICIT TRAFFICKING OF RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

## 1 Scope

This document applies to Spectroscopy-based alarming Personal Radiation Detectors (SPRD). SPRDs detect and identify gamma radiation and may detect neutron radiation. SPRDs can be worn on a belt or in a pocket to alert the wearer of the presence of a radiation source. SPRDs provide search, similar to that of a Personal Radiation Device (PRD), and identification capability to identify radiation sources. They can discriminate between alarms caused by Naturally Occurring Radioactive Materials (NORM) or medical radionuclides and alarms from industrial sources or Special Nuclear Material (SNM).

This document establishes performance requirements and specifies general characteristics, general test conditions, radiological, climatic, mechanical, and electromagnetic characteristics. This document also provides test methods that are used to determine if an SPRD meets the stated requirements.

This document does not apply to the performance of radiation protection instrumentation which is covered in IEC 61526 and IEC 60846-1. SPRDs are not intended for accurate measurement of personal ( $H_p(10)$ ) or ambient ( $H^*(10)$ ) dose equivalent (rate).

## 2 Normative references

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IEC 60050-395:2014, *International Electrotechnical Vocabulary (IEV) – Part 395: Nuclear instrumentation – Physical phenomena, basic concepts, instruments, systems, equipment and detectors*

IEC 60050-395:2014/AMD1:2016

IEC 60050-395:2014/AMD2:2020

IEC 60079-11, *Explosive atmospheres – Part 11: Equipment protection by intrinsic safety "i"*

IEC 62706, *Radiation protection instrumentation – Recommended climatic, electromagnetic and mechanical performance requirements and methods of tests*

IEC 62755, *Radiation protection instrumentation – Data format for radiation instruments used in the detection of illicit trafficking of radioactive materials*

IEC TR 62971:2015, *Radiation instrumentation – Radiation sources used in illicit trafficking detection standards – Guidance and recommendations*

UL 913, *Standard for Intrinsically Safe Apparatus and Associated Apparatus for Use in Class I, II, III, Division 1, Hazardous (Classified) Locations*

ICRU report 39, *Determination of Dose Equivalents Resulting from External Radiation Sources*

ICRU report 47, *Measurement of Dose Equivalents from External Photon and Electron Radiations*