



Regulatory Activities Policy

Commitment statement

ARPANSA strives to implement best practice in the regulation of nuclear installations, radiation facilities and sources to achieve our vision of a safe radiation environment for the Australian community.

ARPANSA's commitment

This policy shows the commitment of ARPANSA to provide the highest quality services to the Australian government and community.

ARPANSA will ensure:

- stability and consistency of regulatory decisions, independent of promoting interests
- authorisation of only justified actions to introduce or alter a source, or alter the pathways of exposure
- establishment of appropriate controls of sources that already exist when a decision on such controls has to be taken, and for exposures during an emergency
- a graded approach to the management of radiation risks so that regulatory actions are commensurate with the level of hazard and risk, are effective and do not unduly burden justified practices and activities that involve radiation
- a holistic approach to safety that takes into account technical, managerial, human and organisational aspects
- intergenerational equity of safety, for all aspects of regulation, including in the area of radioactive waste and spent fuel management
- spatial equity of safety, including across national borders
- arrangements for stakeholder engagement
- transparency and accountability.

Efficient and effective regulatory management of radiation risks by ARPANSA is driven by the desire to meet our purpose to protect the Australian people and the environment from the harmful effects of radiation, through understanding risks, best practice regulation, research, policy, services, partnerships and engaging with the community.

This policy will be reviewed biennially.


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