

2.0 DEFINITIONS

biennially

At intervals not to exceed 30 months.

confinement building

The building which houses the reactor and primary support systems.

drill

A supervised instruction period, often a component of an exercise, designed to test, develop, and maintain skills in a particular operation.

emergency

A condition that calls for immediate action, beyond the scope of normal operating procedures, to avoid an accident or to mitigate the consequences of one.

emergency action levels

Specific instrument readings, or observations; radiological dose or dose rates; or specific contamination levels of airborne, waterborne, or surface-deposited radioactive materials that may be used as thresholds for establishing emergency classes and initiating an appropriate emergency measures.

emergency classes

Classes of accidents grouped by severity level for which predetermined emergency measures should be taken or considered.

emergency procedures

General or detailed instructions for implementation of the Emergency Plan.

exercise

A test of the integrated capability and a portion of the basic elements within an emergency plan and organization, while also providing training to those groups of the Emergency Organization participating in the exercise.

facility

The Confinement Building and the laboratory/office complex known as the NIST Center for Neutron Research (NCNR) or Building 235.

reactor site

The area around the reactor within a radius of 400 meters centered at the reactor stack. The area falls entirely within the NIST grounds. This area may also be known as the exclusion area.

shall, should and may

The word "shall" is used to denote a requirement; the word "should" to denote a recommendation; and the word "may" to denote permission, neither a requirement nor a recommendation.