

Other Radiation Sources

❑ Radiation Producing Machine

- Any device capable of producing ionizing radiation when the associated control devices are operated, except devices which produce radiation only by the use of radioactive material.

❑ Enclosed System

- A radiation producing machine which satisfies the requirement that all areas with exposure rates greater than 0.25 mR/hr are enclosed within an interlocked barrier.

❑ Open Systems

- Any other radiation producing machine that does not fit the definition for an enclosed system. Examples are x-ray diffraction and radiography units, particle accelerators, electron microscopes, tokamaks, and high voltage rectifiers operating above 10kV.

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❑ Safety Precautions

- Follow manufacturer's or instructor's instructions
- Follow Standard Operating Procedures
- Do not alter the equipment in any way
- Always wear the proper personal protective equipment

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❑ Sealed Sources

- Radioactive material permanently fixed or bonded to prevent release of radioactive material under the most severe conditions which are likely to be encountered under normal use and handling
- Even though sources may be considered “low level” sources please handle as little as possible.

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☐ Sealed Sources

➤ Examples:

- H3 – gas sealed, luminous articles
- P32 – Self luminous light source
- Co57- Check sources
- Co60 – Industrial, radiotherapy, clinical therapy, sterilization, gauging
- Ni63 - Gauging
- Kr85 – Ophthalmic applicators, thickness gauge, check sources
- Sr99 – Bone mineral analyzers, seeds, Industrial radiography, calibration, brachytherapy, teletherapy
- Cs137 – Industrial radiography, clinical therapy, Lightning conductors
- Ir192 - Neutron sources, well logging moisture gauges
- Ra226 – Foil thickness measurements, lightning conductors, smoke detectors

Radiation Safety Resources

- ❑ **The University of Vermont** , [UVM Risk Management and Safety: Radiation Safety](#).
- ❑ **Idaho State University** , [The Radiation Information Network](#).
- ❑ **Iowa Department of Health and Human Services** , [Bureau of Radiological Health](#).
- ❑ **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency** , [Radiation Protection](#).
- ❑ **Iowa State University Environmental Health and Safety** , [Radioactive Materials Safety Manual](#).