How to apply for an environmental permit Part RSR-C3 – Variation to a bespoke radioactive substances activity permit (nuclear site, open sources and radioactive waste)

Guidance notes

Please read these guidance notes carefully before you fill in the form.

Complete part RSR-C3 if your permit is for a radioactive substances activity involving open sources and/or radioactive waste on a nuclear site, and you are applying to vary (change) the conditions or any other part of your permit, except those relating to on-site disposals of solid waste to land. If you want to vary (change) the conditions relating to on-site disposals of solid waste to land, fill in part RSR-C5.

If you want to reduce the area of the site, as shown on the site plan included in your permit, you must apply for a partial surrender (using form part RSR-E3) rather than a variation.

You only need to give us details in this application for the parts of the permit that will be affected (for example, if you are adding a new radioactive substances activity or making changes to existing ones.)

For security reasons, applications to vary permits relating to sealed sources must be made separately using part RSR-C2.

Where you see the term **'document reference'** on the form, give the document reference and send the document with the application form when you've completed it.

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1 About the permit

1a State the permit number (as shown on the front of your current permit) that this application relates to.

2 About your proposed changes

2a Type of variation

See our 'Environmental Permitting Charging Scheme and Guidance' available from our website: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/484956/LIT_9910.pdf or later version.

If you are applying for an administrative variation, give the details of what you want to change in the box provided, then you do not need to answer any further questions on this part of the form – go to part RSR-F.

For all other variations, go to question 2b and complete the rest of the form.

2b Changes to activities

If you want to add a radioactive substances activity that is not currently included on your permit (for example, if you want to start keeping and using mobile radioactive apparatus for environmental studies), tick the relevant 'add activity' box in Table 1.

If you want to remove a radioactive substances activity that is currently included on your permit (for example, if you want to stop keeping and using mobile radioactive apparatus for environmental studies), tick the relevant 'delete activity' box.

If you want to change a condition (including limits) in your permit, tick the 'change activity' box against the activity that the condition relates to.

2c Is a submission to the European Commission under Article 37 of the Euratom treaty required for these changes?

Details of when Article 37 applies are set out in the 2010 Commission Recommendation (2010/635/Euratom): http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L_.2010.279.01.0036.01.ENG

Your submission should be made to the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) who will send it on to the Commission. You should consult DECC if you are uncertain whether a submission is required.

If a submission under Article 37 is required, we cannot make a decision on your application until you receive an opinion from the Commission. If you apply before the opinion is received, we will commence work on determining your application (and charge you accordingly) but we will not make a decision until the opinion has been received and we have considered its contents.

We advise you to discuss with us whether a submission may be necessary.

2d Details of the changes

2d.1 The items in Table 2 reflect the information required for a new permit application (see part RSR-B3 of the form and guidance). Tick the boxes to tell us which of those items are affected by the changes you are proposing to make if your variation application is granted.

2d.2 Provide details of your proposed changes to the activities, any new activities to be added, and your proposed changes to the permit, addressing how each of the applicable items in Table 2 is affected. If you want to remove a radioactive substances activity (other than the receipt of radioactive waste), confirm that you have removed all relevant radioactive material or radioactive waste from the premises and give details of how you did this.