

PREAMBLE

“The International Atomic Energy Agency (hereafter referred to as “IAEA” or “the Agency”) is responsible for the radiation protection and safety of members of staff, individuals under contract, experts, trainees and visitors who may be exposed to radioactive materials or other sources of ionizing radiation. The necessary protective measures and responsibilities for carrying them out are specified in the interagency standard “International Basic Safety Standards for Protection against Ionizing Radiation and for the Safety of Radiation Sources”, Safety Series No. 115. This Standard is based on the most recent recommendations of the International Commission on Radiological Protection, and was approved by the Board of Governors in September 1994 and published in final form in 1996. The Rules and Procedures implement the requirements of the Standard for the Agency and for the situations in which exposures may occur. They were developed and agreed by the Radiation Protection Committee during a series of meetings in late 1994 and in 1995. They were reviewed again in 1999 and during this review, account was taken of the Safety Guide on Occupational Radiation Protection, which was prepared under the Standards and, at the time, was in the course of being published. The Rules and Procedures also take account of the relevant aspects of the IAEA’s Regulations for the Safe Transport of Radioactive Material, Safety Standards Series No. ST-1, and the RADWASS standards.”