



Direction de la Santé - Division de la Radioprotection

Licensing procedure for transporting radioactive goods in Luxembourg

Obligation to be licensed

Transport, import and transit operations of radioactive substances above the exemption levels according to directive 96/29/EURATOM are only permitted to legal persons or companies authorized to this effect by the Minister of Health.

Transport of fissile materials (class 1) is not authorized in Luxembourg.

Transport licenses are granted for a maximum duration of 5 years, to be renewed on demand of the licensee.

The regulation further foresees that each transit of radioactive substances needs an additional authorization by the Director of Health.

Licensing procedure for transport operations

1. The application for a license is addressed with two copies to the Minister of Health.
2. The Minister of Health charges the Department of Radiological Protection (DRP) to follow up the file.
3. Within 14 days following the receipt of the application, the DRP sends an acknowledgement of receipt to the applicant and indicates the name of the person of charge with the file.
4. On demand, the applicant provides missing or complementary information to the DRP.
5. The DRP may consult with the agencies of the Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation and eventually with national and international experts.
6. The file is returned to the Minister of Health within 30 days from the date of acknowledgement of receipt. If consultations according to paragraph 5 were needed, this period is extended to 3 months.
7. Within 15 days after the period set out in paragraph 6, the Minister of Health fixes his conditions of the license. A refusal is motivated.
8. Together with the application for a license for carriage by air, the general transport license (for dangerous goods) as foreseen in article 7 of "règlement grand-ducal du 27 février 1986 relatif au transport aérien de marchandises dangereuses" needs to be joined.

Information to provide with the application for a transport license

1. Full name, role, domicile of the applicant, the legal entity, registered office, full name of the administrator and head of the company;
2. Type of transports, eventually the destination, date of transfert or frequency and the characteristics of the transported radioactive substances;
3. Type of used vehicle, secure mounting, protection from radiation, labeling, protection measures in case of accident;
4. Radiological precaution measures during handling and interim storage;
5. The qualification of the personnel affected to the transport and the instructions to these people in terms of countermeasures to initiate in case of an accident;
6. Organization of the physical control and security of the radioactive substances;
7. Designation of a person, charged with the supervision of the transport, the observation of legal and regulatory rules, as well as particular conditions imposed by the license (safety adviser);
8. Insurance covering the consequences of all incidents and accidents caused by the nature of the transported substances;
9. Copy of the license issued by the competent authority of the applicant's country of origin (if applicable).

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The holder of a transport license informs the DRP with a frequency not exceeding 3 months of all completed transports with radioactive substances. The declaration includes the address of each delivery, nature and quantity of the transported materials, the precautions take and incident that may have occurred in the course of the transport.