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TRANSLATION. ORIGINAL TEXT IN FINNISH.

**EXEMPTION FROM SAFETY LICENCE FOR RADIATION SOURCES
USED AS TEACHING AIDS**

By virtue of Section 17 of the Radiation Act (592/1991), the Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority (STUK) has decided that a safety licence is not required for the use of radiation sources when they are used as teaching aids and the sources and their use meet the conditions stated below.

This decision concerns teaching aids that generate ionising radiation electrically and contain radioactive substances, when they are used to teach physics and chemistry at schools, vocational institutes or similar places of education.

The requirements and conditions related to this decision are as follows:

1. The radiation source or radiation source type must be inspected by the Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority and approved by it for use in teaching as regards its radiation safety characteristics, or inspected and approved for teaching in another country in a manner required by an international convention that Finland has ratified. The radiation source must have a label that indicates the approval.
2. The educational establishment must appoint a person responsible for radiation safety, and it is their duty to supervise that the radiation safety regulations and guidelines are followed during the use and storage of radiation sources and the disposal of radioactive waste.
3. Broken and decommissioned radiation sources containing radioactive substances must be processed as radioactive waste.

This decision supersedes the Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority's decision with record no. 1092/310/92 (16 December 1992).

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