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SUBJ/UPDATE OF OCCUPATIONAL CODES FOR PERSONNEL RADIATION DOSE REPORTING//

REF/A/DOC/BUMEDNOTE 6470/10DEC24//
REF/B/DOC/NAVMED P-5055 CH-2/2DEC22//

NARR/REF A IS BUMEDNOTE 6470, OCCUPATIONAL CODES FOR PERSONNEL RADIATION DOSE REPORTING.

REF B IS NAVMED P-5055, RADIATION HEALTH PROTECTION MANUAL CH-2//

RMKS/1. Purpose. Ref (A) adds 2-digit codes to identify the occupation or employee category for personnel receiving radiation exposure from U.S. Navy programs for AUKUS personnel to those already contained in Ref (B).

2. Background. Under the trilateral Australia-United Kingdom-United States (AUKUS) agreement, Australia is establishing a Submarine Nuclear Propulsion Program. Establishing occupational reporting codes unique to Australian personnel being trained by the U.S. Navy Nuclear Enterprise is necessary to allow for separation of the radiation dose received by Australian personnel.

3. Action

A. U.S. Navy activities reporting occupational exposure to ionizing radiation per article 5-16 of Ref (B) must add the following occupational codes to existing reporting systems, and use those codes to document the applicable radiation dose accrued by Australian personnel:

A.1. 60: Royal Australian Navy Nuclear Propulsion (radiation worker) A.2. 61: Royal Australian Navy Nuclear Propulsion (non-radiation worker) A.3. 62: Royal Australian Navy Nuclear Propulsion (visitor) A.4. 63: Royal Australian Navy Radiation Worker (medical, industrial, research) A.5. 64: Royal Australian Navy Non-Radiation Worker (medical, industrial, research) B. Radiation exposure received by Australian personnel under the AUKUS agreement which was previously documented under a different reporting category must be updated to reflect the new occupational codes.

C. Using the new occupational codes ensures accurate accounting of Australian personnel radiation exposure as well as proper record identification to support future transmission of dose information once Australia establishes their dose recording system.

4. Ref (A) will remain in effect until it is incorporated into reference (b), cancelled, or replaced. Ref (A) can be found at <https://esportal.med.navy.mil/bumed/directives/pages/default.aspx>

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