PERSONAL DOSIMETRY SERVICE – TERMS AND CONDITIONS
(for supplies outside the European Union)

Public Health England (“PHE”) provides its personal dosimetry service under the following terms and conditions:

1. Requests for the service must be on an official order form or, if not appropriate, the official notepaper of the organisation or person responsible for the payment of the invoices. Such orders must clearly state:
   (a) the customer reference number (if already allocated);
   (b) total number of persons to be monitored;
   (c) type of monitoring requirement (e.g., Thermoluminescent dosemeter [TLD] etc., ask your RPA for advice if unsure of your specific requirements);
   (d) the frequency at which dosemeters should be exchanged;
   (e) the duration of the order, being the total period during which dosemeters issued by PHE are to be worn, subject to a maximum of 52 weeks. Please note that all weekly wear periods must start on Monday, ending on a Sunday, and that the duration of the order must be exactly divisible by the interval between the exchanges of dosemeters. Calendar wear periods can start on any day;
   (f) the delivery address for dosemeters;
   (g) the address to which dose reports should be sent if different from (f) above;
   (h) please note that “call off” orders, i.e., orders specifying varying quantities for each wear period, cannot be accepted.

2. A charge is levied on each order, specifically defined as the delivery of a single type of dosemeter to a single address for a specific period. Each combination of dosemeter type, delivery address and specified period will be treated as a separate order.

3. Amendment to existing orders will be treated as a separate order.

4. The customer’s order is supplied on a pre-payment basis with a proforma invoice being sent after receipt of a formal order. The service will commence approximately 4 weeks after receipt of payment. An emergency service is offered, subject to the availability of dosemeters, by which dosemeters are despatched by airmail (or courier, if requested by the
customer, at an additional charge) within 24 hours of receipt of payment. A higher charge is levied for this emergency service.

5 The invoiced price includes the delivery of the dosemeters to the customer (by airmail unless courier costs have been paid in advance), the processing of the dosemeters and the reporting of results. The price does not include the cost of returning the dosemeters to PHE, which is the responsibility of the customer. Such costs include the payment of any duties or taxes payable upon re-entry into the UK.

6 PHE reserves the right to refuse deliveries where the customer has indicated that import duties are to be paid by PHE as recipient of returned dosemeters. When completing return documentation, the customer is to ensure that it is clear that no costs are to be charged to PHE. To minimise duties payable, it should be stated that the “dosemeters are of UK origin being returned to the UK for processing”.

7 PHE will re-charge the customer for any import duties paid for by PHE, together with an additional handling fee at the rate applicable at the time. Failure to pay invoices within the time allowed (30 days) may result in the termination of services.

8 Where an order is reduced by a customer, credit for the reduced demand will be given, subject to the minimum order charge, to be offset against future orders placed with PHE.

9 (a) All dosemeters are issued to the customer on loan, and remain the property of PHE. PHE reserves the right to charge for dosemeters lost or damaged whilst in the customer’s care, at the rates shown in the current Personal Dosimetry Service price list. A dosemeter will be defined as “lost” if the customer fails to return the dosemeter within three months of the end of the wearing period. Any non-delivery of dosemeters must be reported, in writing, within 7 days of their start of wearing date. PHE reserves the right not to enter into any correspondence if non deliveries are reported outside this period.

(b) Dosemeters are supplied on the express understanding that they are not for resale, either directly or indirectly, or for issue at a premium rate. Customers who act as an agent for others, in whatever capacity, should notify PHE of their respective agreements and prices prior to the commencement of the service.

10 All orders will be charged at the prices prevailing at the date of commencement of the service. Increases in an order will be treated and charged as if a new order; decreases in the order will be credited at the rates prevailing at the commencement of the order and are subject to the minimum order charge.

11 PHE shall not be liable for failure to supply its services directly or indirectly caused by force majeure which includes Acts of God, fire, war, embargoes, strikes, shortage of labour and any other occurrence (whether or not similar in nature to those specified) beyond the control of PHE. PHE agrees to perform and the customer agrees to accept the resumptions of the service whenever such causes of delay have been remedied.

12 A Dose Record Keeping Service is available for use of PHE’s dosemeters. An initial registration fee is levied for each dosemeter wearer for whom record keeping is required. The registration fee once paid covers the “registered” person for a period of at least 12 months provided he remains in the service of the same employer. Thereafter an annual renewal fee will be charged. A transfer of a “registered” person from the service of one employer to another would require the new employer to complete a registration application form and pay the appropriate fee if the record keeping service is required to continue.

13 A Dose Record Keeping Service is available for customers who are not using PHE dosemeters. The registration fee is paid at the start of the service for the maintenance of dose
records for one year. If the service be required after this initial year, a subsequent annual charge will be made. As in paragraph 12, the records will be maintained so long as the registered person remains in the service of the same employer. A transfer of a “registered” person from the service of one employer to another will require another fee, payable by the new employer, if the record keeping service is required to continue.

Registration is effected by the completion of a Registration Form (obtainable from PHE on request or via our web site) for each individual for whom the service is required. Each form returned completed for registration must be accompanied by a remittance for the Registration Fee payable plus VAT (where applicable), at the standard rate prevailing at the time of receipt of the payment. The registration fees are reviewed annually and you are advised to contact Customer Services to obtain the current rate for initial registration fees before forwarding the application and remittance. Annual renewal fees will be invoiced at the time of dosemeter order renewal and charged on the basis of employees actively registered for 12 months or more at that date. Failure to pay invoices within the time allowed (30 days) may result in the termination of services. Should the service subsequently be required the customer will be charged at the full registration rate.

All services and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with them or their subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England and Wales. The Parties irrevocably agree that the courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim that arises out or in connection with the services or their subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims).

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