

# Iron - 55




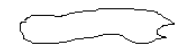



Half life: 2.68 years  
 Specific activity: 8.98E+13 Bq.g<sup>-1</sup>

Risk group: 3  
 Risk colour: Yellow


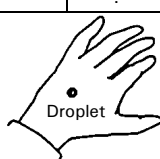
Main emissions (keV)								
	Gamma or X		Beta (E <sub>max</sub> )		Electrons		Alpha	
	E	%	E	%	E	%	E	%
E1	6	25			5	61		
E2	7	3						
E3								
% omitted	<1				<1			

Exemption levels	
Quantity (Bq)	1E+06
Concentration (Bq.g <sup>-1</sup> )	1E+04

Transport (TBq)	
IAEA ST1 A <sub>1</sub> value	4E+1
IAEA ST1 A <sub>2</sub> value	4E+1

EXTERNAL EXPOSURE (mSv.h <sup>-1</sup> ) for an activity of 1 MBq or 1 MBq.m <sup>-2</sup> (as appropriate)				
<b>Point source (30 cm)</b>	<b>Infinite plane source</b>	<b>10 ml glass vial</b>	<b>Contact with 50 ml glass beaker</b>	<b>Contact with 5 ml plastic syringe</b>
				
<i>Betas, electrons (skin dose)</i>	<i>Betas, electrons (skin)</i>			
0.00E+0	10 cm 0.0E+00			
	1 m 0.0E+00			
<i>Gammas, X rays (deep tissue dose)</i>	<i>Photons (skin)</i>			
0.00E+0	10 cm 0.0E+00			
	1 m 0.0E+00			
	<i>Photons (deep dose)</i>			
	10 cm 0.0E+00			
	1 m 0.0E+00			
		100 cm ?	?	?

? indicates that insufficient information is available for reliable calculations to be made.

CONTAMINATION												
<b>Contamination skin dose (mSv.h<sup>-1</sup>)</b>	<b>Detection</b>	<b>Derived limits (Bq.cm<sup>-2</sup>)</b>										
Uniform deposit (1kBq.cm <sup>-2</sup> ) 1.62E-2	<table border="1"> <tr> <th colspan="2">Recommended probes*</th> </tr> <tr> <td>Alpha</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Beta</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Gamma</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>X rays</td> <td>+</td> </tr> </table>	Recommended probes*		Alpha		Beta		Gamma		X rays	+	<b>Removable contamination</b>
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0.05 ml droplet (1 kBq) ?		7E+2										
		<b>Fixed contamination</b>										
		7E+4										
* If no probes are indicated the recommended technique is to use a wipe test in association with a probe or liquid scintillation technique												

SHIELDING (mm)		
<b>Betas and electrons (Total absorption)</b>		
Glass	< 1	
Plastic	< 1	
<b>Gamma and X rays (half and tenth value thickness)</b>		
	1/2	1/10
Lead	< 1	< 1
Steel	< 1	< 1

INTERNAL EXPOSURE FOR WORKERS				
COMMITTED EFFECTIVE DOSE PER UNIT INTAKE (Sv.Bq <sup>-1</sup> )				
Ingestion	f <sub>i</sub>		Inhalation	
			1 μm	5 μm
All compounds	0.100	3.3E-10	F	7.7E-10 9.2E-10
			M	3.7E-10 3.3E-10
			S	
<b>Highest dose organ</b>	Spleen	<b>20 mSv A<sub>LI</sub> ingestion</b>	6.1E+07 (Bq)	<b>20 mSv A<sub>LI</sub> inhalation</b> 2.2E+07 (Bq)

MAXIMUM RECOMMENDED ACTIVITIES IN LOW LEVEL OR INTERMEDIATE LEVEL LABORATORIES (Bq)							
PHYSICOCHEMICAL STATE	Subject to external exposure requirements which may be more restrictive						
	Volatility factor (k)	Supervised area			Controlled area		
		Bench	Fume hood		Bench	Fume hood	Glove box
All compounds except below	0.01	7E+06	7E+07	2E+07	2E+08	5E+09	
Oxid., hydroxid. & halog.	0.01	2E+07	2E+08	5E+07	5E+08	5E+09	