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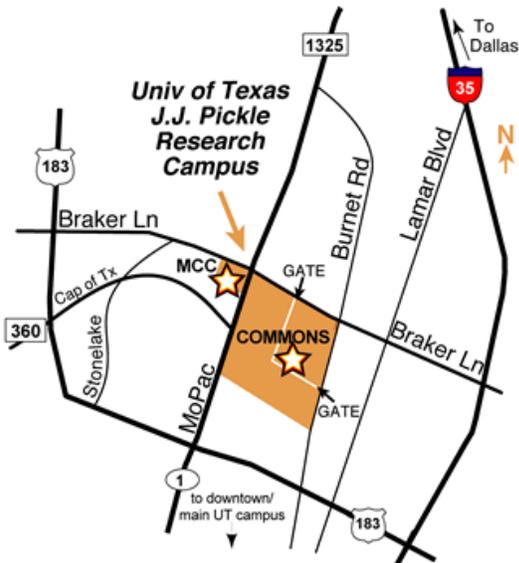
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2016 Industrial Radiographer Examination Schedule

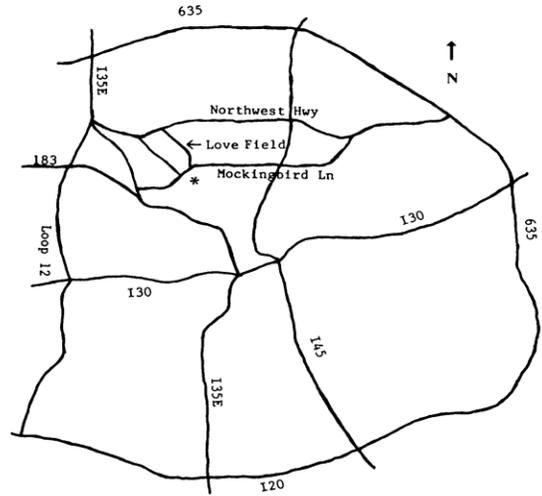
All Exams Begin After Registration Is Completed

Location	Examination Date	Registration Time
AUSTIN	January 6, 2016	8:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.
	April 7, 2016	8:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.
	May 3, 2016	8:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.
	July 6, 2016	8:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.
	August 10, 2016	8:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.
	October 5, 2016	8:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.
	December 13, 2016	8:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.
(EACH DATE LISTED ABOVE WILL HAVE AN 8:00 AM SESSION AND A 1:00 PM SESSION - PLEASE DESIGNATE WHICH SESSION YOU PREFER.)		
DALLAS	March 8, 2016	1:00 p.m.
	March 9, 2016	9:00 a.m.
	September 7, 2016	10:30 a.m.
HOUSTON	February 9, 2016	1:00 p.m.
	February 10, 2016	9:00 a.m.
	February 23, 2016	1:00 p.m.
	February 24, 2016	9:00 a.m.
	June 7, 2016	1:00 p.m.
	June 8, 2016	9:00 a.m.
	June 21, 2016	1:00 p.m.
	June 22, 2016	9:00 a.m.
	November 15, 2016	1:00 p.m.
November 16, 2016	9:00 a.m.	
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	July 20, 2016	11:30 a.m.
	October 19, 2016	11:30 a.m.



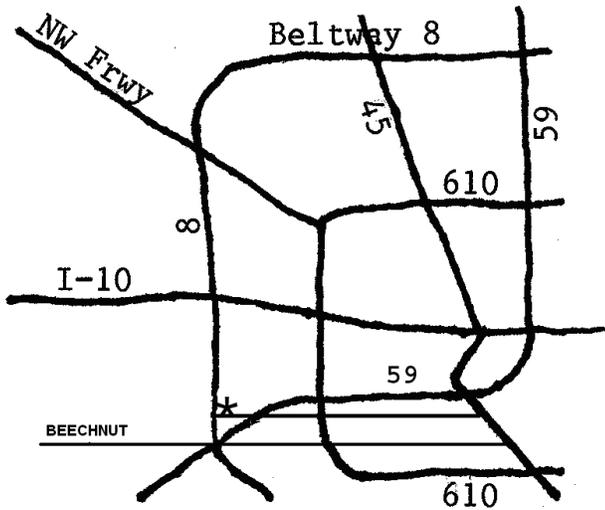
J. J. PICKLE RESEARCH CAMPUS
THE COMMONS BUILDING
 Room 1.102: Big Tex Auditorium
 10100 Burnet Road
 Austin, TX 78758
 (512) 471-5898

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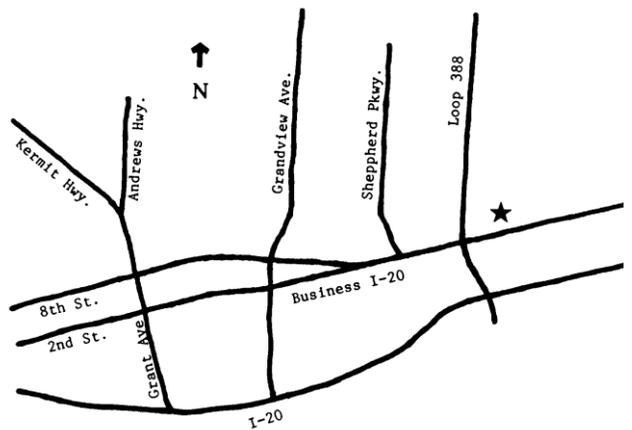
DOUBLETREE BY HILTON- LOVE FIELD
 3300 West Mockingbird Lane
 Dallas, TX 75235
 (214) 357-8500

March 8, 2016
 March 9, 2016
 September 7, 2016



HILTON GARDEN INN HOUSTON WESTBELT
 6855 W. Sam Houston Parkway S.
 Houston, TX 77072
 (713) 270-6100

February 9 - 10, 2016	June 7 - 8, 2016
February 23 - 24, 2016	June 21 - 22, 2016
November 15 - 16, 2016	



MCM GRANDE HOTEL
 6201 East Business 20
 Odessa, TX 79762
 (432) 362-2311

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HOW DO I APPLY TO TAKE THE EXAM?

- ▶ Use RC Form 255-3; additional copies may be made - make sure ZZ113-120 appears in upper right corner
- ▶ Applications are processed in the order received
- ▶ Indicate 1st and 2nd exam date choices
- ▶ If you have a disability that needs an accommodation, submit the attached form with your application and the supporting documentation from a professional who is familiar with your disability

HOW MUCH DOES THE EXAM COST?

- ▶ Initial and re-examinations (failures) - \$120.00
- ▶ Certification ID card renewal - \$125.00
- ▶ **An exam fee received for an individual will NOT be transferred to another individual**

WHERE DO I MAIL THE APPLICATION AND NONREFUNDABLE FEE [made payable to Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS)]?

- ▶ US Postal Service: DSHS/Radioactive Materials Licensing Group – **MC2003**, ZZ113-120
PO Box 149347
Austin, TX 78714-9347

WE'LL LET YOU KNOW

- ▶ A confirmation letter will be sent, after receiving your application and fee, with the exam date, map, address, and telephone number of the exam location
- ▶ Call before the exam date to reschedule

WHAT SHOULD I KNOW/STUDY?

- ▶ Topics outlined in 25 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Section (§) 289.255(y)(1)
- ▶ 6 resources used in developing each exam may be used for study purposes:
 1. 25 TAC §289.255
 2. 25 TAC §289.201 (b), (g), (n)(1), (o) - RAM ONLY
 3. 25 TAC §289.202 (c), (e), (f), (j)(1), (l)-(p), (q)(1), (r), (s), (t), (y), (z), (aa)-(ee), (ll)-(pp), (rr), (ss), (uu)-(yy), (aaa), (bbb) - RAM ONLY
 4. 25 TAC §289.231 (c), (k), (l), (m)(1), (2), (4), & (5), (o), (p), (r)-(z), (bb)-(jj), (ll)(1) - X-RAY ONLY
 5. 25 TAC §289.205 (a), (b), (h)-(j), (k)(1) & (3), (m)(1), (3), (4) & (6), (n)
 6. Working Safely in Gamma Radiography, (previously published by the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission as NUREG/BR-0024); available from: The American Society for Nondestructive Testing, 1-800-222-ASNT, request #232

ABOUT THE EXAM

- ▶ 3 Types: Radioactive Materials Only
X-Ray Machines Only
Both (Radioactive Materials and X-Ray Machines)
- ▶ 3 hours to complete exam
- ▶ 125 multiple choice questions with 4 possible choices
- ▶ 100 of the questions count toward a passing score; 25 questions are new questions that are being field tested and do not count for or against the score

WHAT TO DO ON EXAM DAY

- ▶ Arrive by designated time in order to register
- ▶ If you arrive after the exam begins, it may mean you can't take it that day
- ▶ Bring: 1. photo ID (e.g., driver's license)
 - 2. #2 sharpened pencils or mechanical pencils
 - 3. calculator (ones with preprogrammed data or formulas, including exposure calculators, are not permitted)
- ▶ Exam begins after registration is completed

WHO HAS TO BE CERTIFIED? WHO GETS A CERTIFICATION ID CARD?

- ▶ Certification is required in the state of Texas if you are working in industrial radiography with radioactive materials and/or x-ray machines except for those exemptions that are listed in §289.255(d)
- ▶ A certification ID card is issued to someone who:
 - 1. passes the industrial radiography exam
 - 2. completes and documents an agency-accepted 40-hour radiation safety course [RC Form 255-E]
 - 3. completes and documents on-the-job training (OJT-Hours) [RC Form 255-R] or (OJT-Years) [RC Form 255-OS]

WHERE DO I SEND MY QUALIFYING FORMS? (trainee, radiographer, and/or trainer)

- ▶ Mail **radioactive material and/or x-ray machine** radiographer OJT-Hours (255-R) or radiographer OJT-Years (255-OS) qualifying forms along with a \$110.00 nonrefundable check or money order, payable to the Texas Department of State Health Services, to:
 - DSHS/Radioactive Materials Licensing Group – **MC2003**, ZZ113-120
 - PO Box 149347, Austin, TX 78714-9347
 - ATTN: Industrial Licensing**
- ▶ Mail **radioactive material and/or x-ray machine** trainee (255-E) or trainer (255-T) qualifying forms to the Texas Department of State Health Services to:
 - DSHS/Radioactive Materials Licensing Group – **MC2835**
 - PO Box 149347, Austin, TX 78714-9347
 - ATTN: Industrial Licensing**
- ▶ Only trainee and trainer qualifying forms may be faxed: (512) 834-6690 (RAM and/or X-RAY)

QUESTIONS??? Call (512) 834-6688

- ▶ Exam scheduling and Certification ID cards – Joyce Wilson x2236 or Bridget Stephens x2229
- ▶ Radioactive material and/or x-ray radiographer qualifications – Veronica Barnes x2863 or Bridget Stephens x2229

WHAT FORMS OR INFORMATION ARE AVAILABLE?

- ▶ 2016 Industrial Radiography Examination Schedule
- ▶ Application for Industrial Radiography Examination (RC Form 255-3, Rev. 10/13)
- ▶ Request for Disability Accommodation for Industrial Radiography Examination (RC Form 255-1, Rev. 10/13)
- ▶ Trainee Qualification (RC Form 255-E, Rev. 10/13)
- ▶ Radiographer Qualification – OJT(Hours) (RC Form 255-R, Rev. 10/13)
- ▶ Radiographer Qualification – OJT(Years) (RC Form 255-OS, Rev. 10/13)
- ▶ Trainer Qualification (RC Form 255-T, Rev. 10/13)
- ▶ Application for Industrial Radiography Replacement Certification ID Card (RC Form IR-1, Rev. 10/13)
- ▶ Industrial Radiography Replacement Certification ID Card Instructions (RC Form IR-1 Instructions, Rev. 10/13)
- ▶ Industrial Radiography Second Certification ID Card Procedures (RC Form IR-2, Rev. 10/13)
- ▶ Accepted Radiation Safety Training Courses (RC 255-C, Rev. 10/13)

These forms are available on our web site: <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/radiation/ir.shtm>