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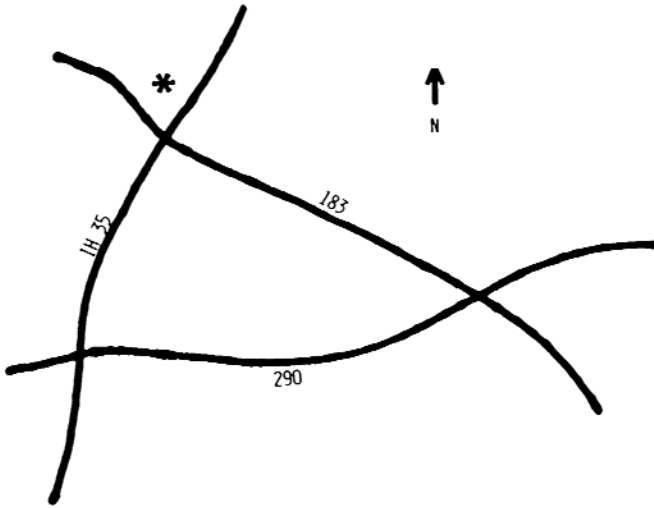
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## 2008 Industrial Radiography Examination Schedule

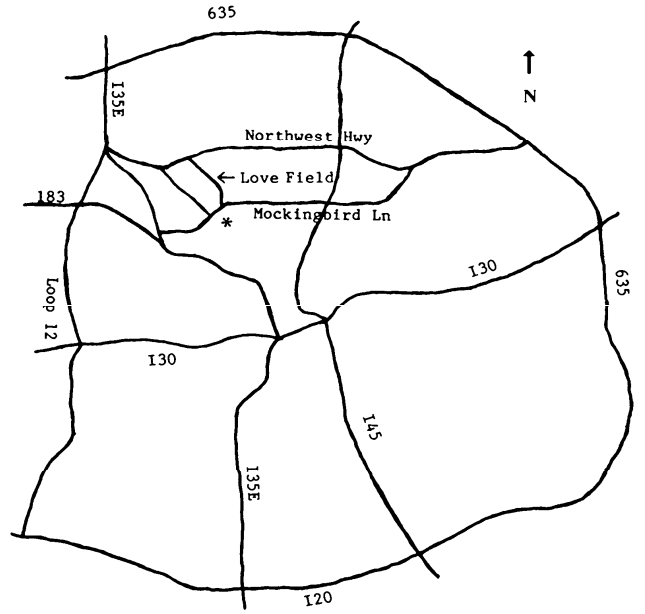
All Exams Begin After Registration Is Completed

Location	Examination Date	Registration Time
AUSTIN	January 9, 2008	12:30 p.m.
	April 2, 2008	12:30 p.m.
	May 7, 2008	12:30 p.m.
	May 14, 2008	12:30 p.m.
	July 2, 2008	12:30 p.m.
	August 6, 2008	12:30 p.m.
	August 13, 2008	12:30 p.m.
	October 1, 2008	12:30 p.m.
	December 3, 2008	12:30 p.m.
DALLAS	March 5, 2008	10:30 a.m.
	September 3, 2008	10:30 a.m.
HOUSTON	February 5, 2008	1:00 p.m.
	February 6, 2008	9:00 a.m.
	June 3, 2008	1:00 p.m.
	June 4, 2008	9:00 a.m.
	November 4, 2008	1:00 p.m.
	November 5, 2008	9:00 a.m.
ODESSA	March 12, 2008	10:00 a.m.



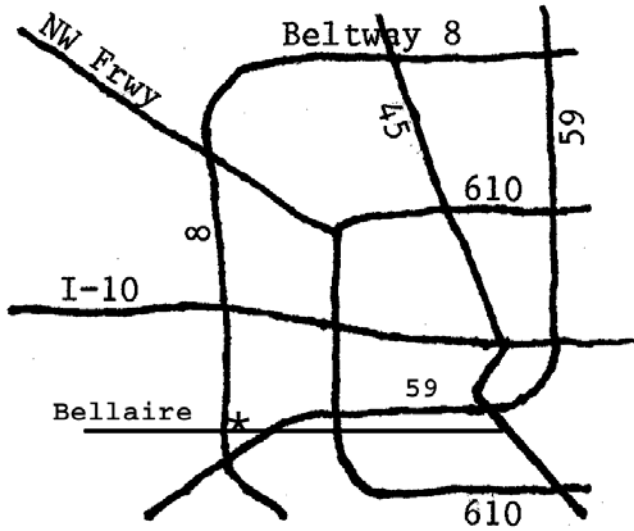
HOWARD JOHNSON PLAZA HOTEL  
 7800 North IH-35  
 Austin, TX 78753  
 512/836-8520

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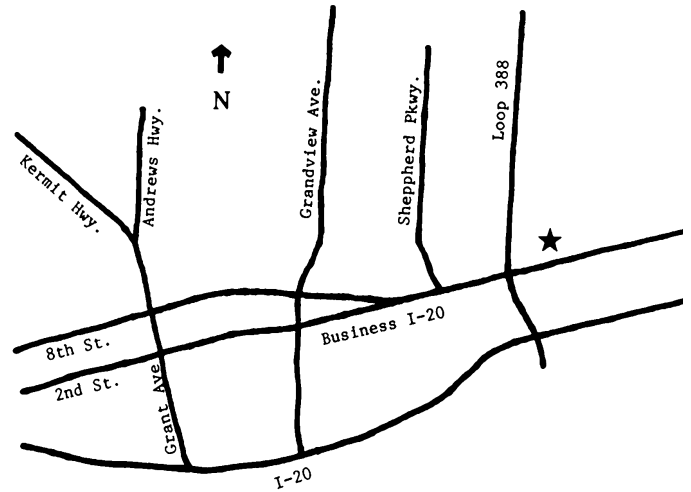
HOLIDAY INN SELECT – LOVE FIELD  
 3300 West Mockingbird Lane  
 Dallas, TX 75235  
 214/357-8500

March 5, 2008  
 September 3, 2008



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

February 5 – 6, 2008  
 June 3 – 4, 2008  
 November 4 – 5, 2008



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

March 12, 2008

## **HOW DO I APPLY TO TAKE THE EXAM?**

- ▶ Use BRC Form 255-3; additional copies may be made - make sure ZZ113-120 appears in upper right corner
- ▶ Applications are processed in 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-examination (failures) - \$25.00
- ▶ Certification ID card renewal - \$27.00
- ▶ **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/Radiation Safety Licensing Branch, ZZ113-120, PO Box 149200, Austin, TX 78714-9200
- ▶ Overnight courier only: DSHS/Radiation Safety Licensing Branch, Attn: Joyce Wilson, 8407 Wall St., Room N-206, Austin, TX 78754 **{Note: The U.S. Postal Service does not deliver to this address.}**

## **CAN I SIGN UP FOR THE EXAM AND PAY THE FEE ONLINE?**

- ▶ Only certification ID card **renewals** may sign up for the exam and pay the nonrefundable fee online 6 months before or up to 3 months after your certification ID card expires: <http://www.texasonline.com>

## **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 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 (BRC Form 255-E)
  3. completes and documents on-the-job training (OJT) [BRC Form 255-R] or out-of-state radiography experience [BRC Form 255-OS]

## **WHERE DO I SEND MY QUALIFYING FORMS?** (trainee, radiographer, out-of-state, and/or trainer)

- ▶ Mail **radioactive material** radiographer (255-R) or out-of-state (255-OS) qualifying forms along with a \$100.00 nonrefundable check or money order, payable to the Texas Department of State Health Services, to: DSHS/Radiation Safety Licensing Branch, ZZ113-120, PO Box 149200, Austin, TX 78714-9200, ATTN: Industrial Licensing
- ▶ Mail **x-ray machine** radiographer (255-R) or out-of-state (255-OS) qualifying forms along with a \$100.00 nonrefundable check or money order, payable to the Texas Department of State Health Services, to: DSHS/Radiation Safety Licensing Branch, ZZ113-120, PO Box 149200, Austin, TX 78714-9200, ATTN: Industrial Registration
- ▶ Only trainee and trainer qualifying forms may be faxed: 512/834-6690 (RAM) or 512/834-6716 (X-Ray)

## **QUESTIONS???** Call 512/834-6688

- ▶ Exam scheduling and Certification ID cards - Joyce Wilson x2236
- ▶ Radioactive material radiographer qualifications - Tarre Calloway x2201 or Sue Jean x2863
- ▶ X-ray machine radiographer qualifications - Shannon Dove-Edson x2243 or Keith Smith x2248

## **WHAT FORMS OR INFORMATION ARE AVAILABLE?**

- ▶ 2008 Industrial Radiography Examination Schedule
- ▶ Application for Industrial Radiography Examination (BRC Form 255-3, Rev. 10/04)
- ▶ Request for Disability Accommodation for Industrial Radiography Examination (BRC Form 255-1, Rev. 10/04)
- ▶ Trainee Qualification (BRC Form 255-E, Rev. 09/05)
- ▶ Radiographer Qualification (BRC Form 255-R, Rev. 09/05)
- ▶ Out-of-State Radiographer Experience (BRC Form 255-OS, Rev. 09/05)
- ▶ Trainer Qualification (BRC Form 255-T, Rev. 09/05)
- ▶ Industrial Radiography Replacement Certification ID Card Procedures (BRC Form IR-1, Rev. 10/04)
- ▶ Industrial Radiography Second Certification ID Card Procedures (BRC Form IR-2, Rev. 10/04)
- ▶ Accepted Radiation Safety Training Courses (BRC 255-C, Rev. 08/2006)

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