AT2327 Alarm Dosimeter (Vehicle Radiation Monitor)



Version of vehicle radiation monitor with the following configuration: BDKG-19 (2 units), BDKN-05 (2 units)



Version of vehicle radiation monitor with the following configuration: BDRM-05 (4 units), BDKN-05 (4 units)



Version of vehicle radiation monitor with the following configuration: BDRM-05 (8 units), BDKN-05 (8 units)



Automatic stationary solution for continuous radiation monitoring designed to detect sources of gamma and neutron radiation in vehicles crossing access control points.

Operating principle

Operating principle of vehicle radiation monitor is based on detection units, which detect gamma and neutron radiation. One or two detection units are located and wired inside a cabinet to form a measurement device. Measurement devices are mounted on posts arranged on both sides of vehicle passage lane. Two or one measurement device are mounted on each side of the passage depending on external dimensions of vehicles to control.

After initialization the alarm dosimeter switches to natural radiation background measurement mode. This procedure is indicated by a yellow light on Alarm unit. When this measurement procedure is over the count rate threshold levels is calculated and a green indicator lights when the alarm dosimeter is ready for operation.

When a moving vehicle crosses the control zone line, it breaks the beam from the IR emitter to the photoelectric detector IR receiver, and all detection units are automatically switched from the background measurement mode to the detection mode. Count rate data from each detection unit in detection mode is transferred through RS485 interface to a remote control panel, which is located in a control room.

When the set count rate threshold level is exceeded the audio and red light alarm is actuated on the Alarm unit to inform the staff about gamma or neutron radiation source detection.

In case of malfunction of one or multiple detection units the radiation monitor recalculates threshold levels for the rest detection units.

Control panel is used for setting threshold calculation parameters for each detection unit, controlling detection units state, correcting real-time clock, password protection of selected functions, viewing count rate fluctuation history and threshold levels crossing in each reference point.

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Application

Access control points

- Public utility companies for solid domestic waste disposal
- Scrap metal salvage and reprocessing facilities and smelters
- Nuclear industry facilities

Features

- Automatic switching from background radiation measurement to detection when a vehicle crosses the control zone line
- Rear side of gamma radiation detection unit is screened by lead plates
- Set threshold levels are automatically corrected according to changes of natural radiation background
- Sound and light alarm in case threshold levels are exceeded
- Self-monitoring of component parts
- Severe operating conditions
- Count rate levels and cases of threshold crossing are automatically recorded into the history log
- Backup power source is available: Continuous operation for up to 6 hours (4 detection units)



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Specification of vehicle radiation monitors

Passage width / height	6 m / 4 m		
Detection time per one vehicle	≤20 s		
Alarm	3-stage light alarm and sound alarm		
False response rate	≤1 per 1000 crossings		
Initialisation time	≤5 min		
Power supply	1) Mains: 110-230 VAC, 50-60 Hz 2) Rechargeable battery for emergency power		
Continuous battery operation time	≥6 h		
Burn-up life	≥100 Sv		
Protection rating	IP65		
	-30°C to +50°C (-20°C to +50°C with BDKG-19)		
Operation temperature range	Optional: From -50°C to +50°C, when located inside cabinets (For BDKG-11/1, BDKG-19, BDKG-35, BDKN-05)		
Relative air humidity	≤95% (Air temperature ≤35°C without condensation)		

AT2327 Alarm dosimeter meets requirements of GOST 27451-87 (Ionizing radiation measuring means), safety requirements of IEC 61010-1:2001, and EMC compatibility requirements: EN 55011:2009, IEC 61326-1:2006, IEC 61000-4-2:2008, IEC 61000-4-3:2008, IEC 61000-4-4:2004+A1:2010, IEC 61000-4-5:2005, IEC 61000-4-6:2008, IEC 61000-4-8:2009, IEC 61000-4-11:2004 Alarm dosimeter is listed in national registries of measurement instruments of Republic of Belarus, Russian Federation, Kazakhstan and Ukraine.

Specifications of detection units in vehicle radiation monitors

Gamma radiation detection units (DU)		BDKG-11/1	BDKG-19	BDKG-35	BDRM-05	
Scintillation detector		Nal(TI) Ø63x63 mm	Nal(TI) Ø63x160 mm	plastic Ø70x150 mm	plastic 1000x100x50 mm	
Energy range			50 keV - 3 MeV	50 keV - 3 MeV	20 keV - 3 MeV	50 keV - 3 MeV
Sensitivity to gamma radiation, (cps/µSv [.] h ⁻¹)		²⁴¹ Am ¹³⁷ Cs ⁶⁰ Co	≥2360 ≥1810 ≥1030	≥7070 ≥4430 ≥2340	≥10000 ≥3200 ≥1600	≥30000 ≥30000 ≥15000
Response time			<2 s (For dose rate change from 0.1 to 1 µSv/h)			
Minimal detectable gamma radiation dose rate level above background value (0.10 \pm 0.05) μ Sv/h in a period not longer than 2 s		0.05 µSv/h	0.03 µSv/h	0.04 µSv/h	0.01 µSv/h	
Detection threshold for unshielded source under natural radiation background conditions not more than 0.1 μ Sv/h (<i>Probability of source detection 80 % under confidence level P=0.95</i>)		BDKG-11/1	BDKG-19	BDKG-35	BDRM-05	
<i>For motor vehicles</i> Passage: Width – 6 m, height – 4 m Travel speed is 10 km/h	1 DU at each side of passage	¹³⁷ Cs	_	1.3 MBq	1.6 MBq	0.34 MBq
	2 DU at each side of passage	¹³⁷ Cs	1.8 MBq	0.9 MBq	1.1 MBq	0.24 MBq
	4 DU at each side of passage	¹³⁷ Cs	_	-	_	0.19 MBq
<i>For railway vehicles</i> Passage: Width – 6 m, height – 4 m Travel speed is 25 km/h	1 DU at each side of passage	¹³⁷ Cs	_	-	_	0.49 MBq
	2 DU at each side of passage	¹³⁷ Cs		_		0.34 MBq
	4 DU at each side of passage	¹³⁷ Cs	—	_	_	0.26 МБк

Neutron radiation detection unit (DU)		BDKN-05		
Detector		Two He-3 proportional counters in polyethylene moderator		
Energy range		0.025 eV – 14 MeV		
Sensitivity to source radiation at the distance of 1 m ²⁵² Cf		≥20 counts cm²/neutron		
		DDI/U A5		

Source detection threshold (Probability of source detection 90%		BDKN-05		
(50%) under confidence level P=0.95)			Probability is 90%	Probability is 50%
<i>For motor vehicles</i> Passage: Width – 6 m, height – 4 m Travel speed is 10 km/h	1 DU at each side of passage	²⁵² Cf	6.5·10⁴ neutron/s	4.2·10⁴ neutron/s
	2 DU at each side of passage	²⁵² Cf	4.3·10 ^₄ neutron/s	2.9·10 ⁴ neutron/s
	4 DU at each side of passage	²⁵² Cf	3.0·10 ^₄ neutron/s	2.2·10 ^₄ neutron/s
<i>For railway vehicles</i> Passage: Width – 6 m, height – 4 m Travel speed is 25 km/h	1 DU at each side of passage	²⁵² Cf	-	-
	2 DU at each side of passage	²⁵² Cf	-	-
	4 DU at each side of passage	²⁵² Cf	4.0·10 ^₄ neutron/s	2.9·10 ^₄ neutron/s





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