At Jefferson Lab and many other accelerator facilities, there is a permanent record of personnel entering and exiting a secure accelerator beam enclosure during Controlled or other special access conditions. These legal records – records that may be entered as evidence in a court of law - may also contain entries related to radiological controls, tests, and certification of access control interlock systems. Until recently, the stringent requirements for electronic legal records required by the U.S. government made it impractical to create an electronic version of the Personnel Safety System (PSS) paper log book. The staff at TJNAF have now designed and implemented a PSS e-log book application and records management program that meets the requirements for electronic records. In order to successfully implement this system, the development included significant effort in database design, user interface, software quality assurance, and records management.



Paper logbook included formatted stamps and columns to help the operator complete entries.

Applications were developed and are managed under a software systems lifecycle model. Features such as security, error trapping, V&V, simulation capability, and ease of use were designed in from the start. User manuals and test documentation were developed concurrently with the applications.



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