

Fact Sheet

Working with X-Ray Producing Equipment

nvironmental Health and Radiation Safety oversees all X-Ray Producing Equipment at Temple University, Temple Health System (not including Fox Chase & Chestnut Hill), as well as all satellite locations.

What regulations apply to X-ray Producing Equipment?

X-Ray Producing Equipment comes under the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (PADEP) regulations. EHRS maintains an inventory and updates PADEP when there are changes.

What is considered X-Ray Producing Equipment?

<u>Diagnostic X-Ray machines used in medical settings,</u> such as CT scan, fluoroscopy, Radiographic, and Dental units.

Equipment Generating X-rays used in laboratory settings or not directly for patient care (non-medical): Electron Microscopes, X-ray Irradiators, Photo-Electron Spectroscopes, Diffractometers, and Cabinet Units

Others: security package x-ray units.

Quick Take

Contact EHRS for:

- Equipment surveys on new units and following major repairs
- Evaluating shielding requirements
- Worker Registration
- Training

EHRS is Responsible for:

- Routine annual survey
- PADEP update
- Training history records

What am I required to do if I have X-Ray Producing Equipment?

Call EHRS to do the following:

- Add new equipment to our registration.
- Survey equipment to ensure it meets all PADEP regulations (upon equipment arrival, annually, following equipment relocation, and if a significant repair has been performed).
- Ensure that a <u>Radiation Worker Registration Form</u> is filed for all persons operating the X-Ray Producing Equipment.
- Provide the appropriate <u>Radiation Safety Training</u> for all X-Ray Producing Equipment personnel. (Click <u>here</u> for a tutorial on how to navigate the system.)

What does the survey of X-ray-producing equipment involve?

Measuring the associated radiation produced from typical use for potential operator and staff exposure while the unit operates and checking that each unit complies with applicable regulations for the specific unit type.

For additional information and/or associated requirements, please refer to the Radiation Safety section of the EHRS website.



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