



Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs
Radiation Safety Section



Dosimetry for Physicians Who Operate X-ray Equipment in Private Practices

Situation	Policy	Rationale
One doctor, owner of facility, whether operating as a professional corporation (PC) or not	Dosimetry is recommended but not required.	Physicians who are owner-operators of x-ray equipment have been determined to be exempt from radiation dosimetry requirements, based on an opinion from the Attorney General's office. Physicians who are not owners of the x-ray equipment are required to be monitored.
Two doctors, equal or nearly equal partners in facility ownership, whether operating as a PC or not	Dosimetry is recommended but not required.	See above.
Two doctors, not equal partners and not nearly equal partners in owning facility, whether operating as a PC or not	Dosimetry is <u>required</u> for the lesser doctor. Dosimetry is recommended but not required for the other doctor.	The lesser doctor would be considered an employee and needs to be monitored.
Three or more doctors, whether partners or not, whether operating as a PC or not	Dosimetry is <u>required</u> .	At three or more doctors, they become employees of the business.
One doctor who has been hired by another, whether a PC or not	Dosimetry is <u>required</u> for the hired doctor.	The hired doctor is not an owner of the x-ray equipment and therefore needs to be monitored.
One doctor owner who allows other, non-partner, non-employed doctor to use his x-ray machine	Dosimetry is <u>required</u> for the other, non-employed doctor with records kept for Department review by the doctor owner.	The other doctor who is a user of the x-ray equipment is not an owner of the x-ray equipment and therefore needs to be monitored.
Doctor with non-physician spouse or other family member who operates the machine	Dosimetry is <u>required</u> for the spouse or other family member.	The non-physician family members are considered a radiation worker and need to be monitored.