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Virginia Board of Dentistry

Guidance on Radiation Certification

Any person who (1) completed a radiation safety course and examination through a provider previously recognized by the board to offer the course and (2) registered with the board prior to May 11, 2011 by showing satisfactory completion of the course and examination continues to be qualified to expose dental x-ray film.

Beginning on May 11, 2011 the Board amended its regulations on radiation certification to require:

- (i) Satisfactory completion of a radiation safety course and examination given by an institution that maintains a program in dental assisting, dental hygiene or dentistry accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association,
- (ii) Certification by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, or
- (iii) Satisfactory completion of the Radiation Health and Safety Review Course provided by the Dental Assisting National Board or its affiliate and passage of the Radiation Health and Safety examination given by the Dental Assisting National Board.

Any certificate issued pursuant to satisfying the requirements of this section shall be posted in plain view of the patient.

See 18VAC60-21-170, 18VAC60-25-80, and 18VAC60-30-80