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Veterinary X-ray Registrants

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Subject: Requirements for Veterinary Use of Fluoroscopy and Computed Tomography (CT) Machine Operator Requirements.

Radiation Protection Services (RPS) is releasing this Informational Bulletin regarding the use of CT and fluoroscopy imaging systems in veterinary facilities.

Current regulations do not specifically address requirements for veterinarian personnel operating a CT or fluoroscopic system. The use of these modalities in veterinary settings is relatively new, but Oregon Administrative Rules (OAR) do address training requirements for persons who operate these imaging systems on human patients.

RPS requires veterinary facilities to demonstrate that CT and fluoroscopic tube operators meet OAR 333-106-0205 (Activation of the Fluoroscopic Tube) and 333-106-0370 (Computed Tomography Operator Requirements) OARs. RPS allows a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) or the Certified Veterinary Technician (CVT), licensed by the Oregon Veterinary Medical Examining Board, to operate a CT or fluoroscopic systems after receiving approved CT and/or fluoroscopic training.

The established RPS pathway for veterinary registrants to operate these specific imaging devices is for Interested parties to request/submit an application which outlines the facility and operator requirements for each imaging system (email your request to RPS.Exemption@oha.oregon.gov).

To address this new technology in veterinary facilities, RPS is developing new OAR language to allow a DVM and CVT to operate a CT or fluoroscopic system. In the future, Registrants will receive a Notice of Public Rule Making for the proposed rule language and be notified when final rules are effective.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact RPS.Exemption@oha.oregon.gov.