



Nova Scotia College of Chiropractors

Standards of Practice: X-ray Equipment

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The following policy has been adopted by the NSCC regarding X-ray equipment in Chiropractic offices:

1. No person shall operate any x-ray equipment or device emitting or capable of emitting ionizing radiation (an “ionizing device”) unless the owner (“Owner”) of the ionizing device has registered the ionizing device (the “Registration”) with the Nova Scotia Department of Health pursuant to the *Radiation Emitting Devices Regulations* (the “Regulations”) made under the *Health Act* (Nova Scotia).
2. The Owner at all times shall be familiar with and comply with the Regulations, and shall maintain the Registration in force and comply with all conditions, restrictions, or other terms set out in the Registration.
3. Once every three years, the Owner at its expense shall have the ionizing device inspected by a qualified ionizing device inspector and shall display the current certificate of inspection within the premises, visible to the public, in which the ionizing device is operated. A list of qualified ionizing device inspectors can be obtained from the NSCC.
4. The Owner shall permit a radiation health officer designated by the Minister of Health to inspect the ionizing device at any time and shall comply with any order or directives issued by the radiation health office with respect to the operation of the ionizing device.
5. The Owner shall maintain an x-ray log book in which they shall record the date, patient name, view, KVP, MA and time for each X-ray taken by the ionizing device. The form of the x-ray log book required is attached to this policy as Appendix A.
6. During any peer assessment visit, evidence of the Registration, the x-ray log book and the certificate of inspection shall be made available by the Owner to the peer assessment committee for review.
7. The Owner at all times shall be familiar with and comply with the *Radiation Emitting Device Regulations*. A copy of these Regulations can be obtained from the Nova Scotia Department of Environment and Labour.

