

COST OF LIVING INCREASE IN RADIATION FEES & FACILITY RESPONSIBILITIES
CALENDAR YEAR 2019

Download the **Radiation Machine Facility Registration renewal (RX-1) form** at:
https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Air/RadiologicalHealth/Documents/www.mde.state.md.us/assets/document/air/rx1_new.pdf

Please mail all registration payments with invoice remittance copy to the following address:
Maryland Department of the Environment, Radiological Health Program
P.O. Box 2198
Baltimore, MD 21203-2198

You may pay your invoice online (processing fee added) at:
<https://egov.maryland.gov/mde/invoice/>

In accordance with COMAR 26.12.03.04 titled "Consumer Price Index Adjustment", the annual fees set forth in COMAR 26.12.03 with the exception of Group 6 dental machines and Group 9 veterinary dental machines are increased each year by the percentage by which the Consumer Price Index for the most recent calendar year exceeds the Consumer Price Index for the previous calendar year.

Therefore, radiation machine fees have slightly increased for certain machine uses effective January 1, 2019. The annual fee payment required for each radiation machine tube for Calendar Year 2019 is as follows:

| GROUP | NAME OF GROUP | CY 2019 |
|-------|--------------------------------|---------|
| 1 | Particle Accelerators | \$ 921 |
| 2 | Medical Accelerators | \$ 921 |
| 3 | Hospital | \$ 232 |
| 4 | Medical Office | \$ 232 |
| 5 | Industrial, Research, Academic | \$ 232 |
| 6 | Dental | \$ 80 |
| 7 | Veterinary | \$ 232 |
| 8 | Mammography | \$ 232 |
| 9 | Veterinary Dental | \$ 80 |

NOTE: Fees are NOT required for the replacement of a machine. However, an Assembly, Disassembly, and Removal Report (RX-24), must be completed by an ACTIVE registered service provider for both the REMOVAL of the existing machine and the ASSEMBLY of a new machine.

Past due fees for radiation machine facilities effective Calendar Year 2019, per tube, per year without registration, are as follows:

| GROUP | NAME OF GROUP | CY 2019 |
|-------|--------------------------------|----------|
| 1 | Particle Accelerators | \$ 4,595 |
| 2 | Medical Accelerators | \$ 4,595 |
| 3 | Hospital | \$ 1,151 |
| 4 | Medical Office | \$ 1,151 |
| 5 | Industrial, Research, Academic | \$ 1,151 |
| 6 | Dental | \$ 80 |
| 7 | Veterinary | \$ 1,151 |
| 8 | Mammography | \$ 1,151 |
| 9 | Veterinary Dental | \$ 80 |

Questions regarding fees should be directed to Radiation Machines Division at 410-537-3193.

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X-RAY MACHINES GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Relocation, Change of Ownership, or Termination of Registration:

The **REGISTRANT** (not the Service Provider) is responsible for notifying and providing documentation to the Maryland Department of the Environment (Radiological Health Department) of any changes to the facility. The registrant can contact the Department at 410-537-3193 with questions or concerns prior to making any changes to the status of their facility, registration of their machine(s), as well as for information regarding the maintenance schedule for their machine(s). Registration, certification and documentation of these machines(s) must be maintained in accordance with Maryland law; otherwise, **escalated enforcement may be pursued.**

Should any of the following changes need to be made to your facility, download and submit the appropriate form(s) to the Department. The documents can be found at www.mde.maryland.gov, click tabs: →Air → Radiological Health → X-ray Application Forms and Guidance, open and download the correct form number.

Relocation

- A **written** letter requesting cancellation of your old registration number
- A Disassembly/Removal/Reassembly report (**MDE RX-24**) completed by an **ACTIVE** registered service provider, showing the Department the status of each radiation machine registered to the facility
- A Radiation Machine Registration Form (RX-1)
- Payment Transmittal Form for the new facility location
- All fees must be paid before a new registration number is issued

If additional information is needed, please refer to the MDE website at www.mde.maryland.gov and follow instructions under “Registering a new facility.”

If relocating a **used** radiation machine, in addition to registration, the machine must undergo a certification inspection by a State Licensed Private Inspector prior to operation. This applies to all facilities **except** those classified as dental, veterinary, or mammography. Submit a Plan Review or Area Survey, if applicable.

If you plan to remove or disable your radiation machine, you must notify the program prior to this action and provide the required documentation for removal or disablement before the fee due date. If such documentation is not received within 30 days of the invoice due date, you will be required to submit annual fees for the radiation machine(s) in question. Feel free to forward all documents to mdexray.submission@maryland.gov.

Change of Ownership

- A **written** letter detailing new ownership
- When you anticipate the transaction will take place and if there will be any change to the machine(s). If the anticipated date of sale changes, submit an additional written letter and state when you anticipate the transaction will take place.
- A **Bill of Sale, signed by both parties**, that shows the ownership has changed.
- All outstanding fees must be paid on the old registration number before the registration number is cancelled and a new registration can be issued.
- A Radiation Machine Facility Registration Form (RX-1) and a Payment Transmittal Form must be completed and submitted.

Termination of Registration

- A **written** letter requesting cancellation of your old registration number
- A Disassembly/removal report (**MDE RX-24**) completed by an **ACTIVE** registered service provider, showing the Department the status of each radiation machine registered to the facility.
- All outstanding fees must be paid before the registration number is cancelled.

***NOTE**

***Once a facility is registered and the initial fees are paid, the facility fees will be due ANNUALLY.**

In order for a registration to be cancelled, the Department MUST receive a written request to cancel and the service reports accounting for each machine registered. They MUST be received PRIOR to the due date of any annual fees due, to avoid any future invoices.

2. RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION – Dentists (Group 6), Veterinarians (Group 7), Mammography Facilities (Group 8), and Veterinary Dental Facilities (Group 9)

Be aware of the renewal date on your registration certificate. **At least 14 days prior to your facility expiration date**, submit a form **MDE RX-1** providing all information requested concerning your radiation machine facility and the machines at your facility.

NOTE ON X-RAY MACHINE PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE

All radiation machines (except those facilities classified as Group 5) must have **preventive maintenance (PM)** performed on the schedule recommended by the machine manufacturer. An **ACTIVE** registered service provider must perform the PM and use the appropriate Department form.

Preventive maintenance reports must be submitted within 30 days of the service being performed to:

**Maryland Department of the Environment, Radiological Health Program,
1800 Washington Boulevard, Suite 750, Baltimore, MD 21230 or by e-mail to
preventive.maintenance@maryland.gov, or by fax to 410-537-3198.**

WEBSITE INFORMATION

- Changes to the “Regulations for the Control of Ionizing Radiation” are in the form of Supplements to COMAR 26.12.01.01. The most recent regulations may be viewed **for research purposes only** at <http://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Air/RadiologicalHealth/Pages/RegulationsforControlofIonizingRadiation.aspx>.
- The official Code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) 26.12.01.01 “Regulations for the Control of Ionizing Radiation” is available for purchase from the State of Maryland Division of State Documents (DSD). Contact DSD at 410-260-3874 or 410-260-3876. Once you purchase this regulation, DSD will advise you of the availability for purchase of future Supplements when they are adopted and effective.