ARRT Limited Scope of Practice Examination

All students in the City College MSUB Radiologic Technology program may take the Limited Scope of Practice in Radiography Exam administered by the ARRT if they desire to, but it is not mandatory that they do so. Passage of this exam with a score of 70 or higher will allow students to apply, and if hired, work as Limited Radiographer at Advanced Care Hospital of Montana, Billings Clinic, St. Vincent’s Healthcare and/or other clinical sites while a City College/MSUB Radiologic Technology student as long as Limited Radiologic Technologist’s hours worked by the student do not conflict or interfere with required clinical hours required to graduate from the City College/MSUB Radiologic Technology Program and to sit for the ARRT (R) examination.

For more information about this examination, please visit https://www.arrt.org/docs/default-source/state-licensing/limited-scope-handbook.pdf?sfvrsn=22

For information related to obtaining a Limited Permit in Radiography in the State of Montana, please visit http://boardsbsd.dli.mt.gov/rtse1?2 or see the information below.

State of Montana Board of Radiologic Technology Limited Permit X-Ray

The following outlines general licensing information. For specific information on filing an application, you will need to obtain the license application which includes a detailed listing of the requirements.

To apply for the Limited Permit Holder License using the online application please click here
Please review the Limited Permit Holder checklist here.

A. Licensing Fees: All Fees are Non-Refundable
Application: $100.00

B. Education Requirements:
The course shall be a minimum of 104 hours in length, approved by the board meeting the qualifications of examination for each specified procedure:
- fundamentals of radiobiology;
- imaging equipment;
- fundamentals of radiation protection;
- radiographic technique and principles of radiographic exposure;
- darkroom procedures;
- interrelationship of the radiographic chain (i.e. technique vs. darkroom procedures);
- adverse contrast reaction;
- medical, legal and ethical – minimum four hours;
- radiation safety - minimum eight hours; and
- image production and evaluation - film critique - four hours.
Additional courses and clinical competencies to include anatomy, physiology, positioning, pathology, x-ray technique, and proper handling of trauma patients, shall be required for the applicant to qualify for examination in each of the specified limited x-ray procedures. Course length and clinical competencies specified for each limited x-ray procedure are:
- chest - minimum four hours, and passing competencies - ten actual;
- extremities - minimum eight hours, and passing upper extremities competencies - five actual and passing lower extremities competencies - five actual;
- spine - minimum eight hours, and passing competencies - ten actual;
- skull - minimum eight hours, and passing competencies - ten, all of which may be simulated;
• abdomen - minimum four hours, and passing competencies - ten actual;
• GI tract and associated overhead films - eight hours, and passing competencies - ten, all of which may be simulated; and
• positioning - minimum eight hours, and passing competencies - ten actual.

C. Examination Information: ARRT Examination Instructions:
After the application has been processed, you will be sent a letter from this office stating that you are eligible for the ARRT Limited Scope Exam with instructions to you regarding payment of the ARRT examination fee. The examination fee, to be paid directly to ARRT by an applicant, is $125.00 until December 31, 2019. Effective January 1, 2020 the examination fee will be $140.00.

1. Once the ARRT processes your fee, you will be mailed a packet directly from ARRT that includes the appropriate candidate handbook and your candidate status report.

2. You will be scheduling your examination appointment after you receive the Limited Scope Candidate Status Report from ARRT.

D. Continuing Education Requirements: Six (6) contact hours of continuing education annually which are germane to the radiographic portion of permit holders profession.