

MRI

Magnetic Resonance Imaging

Imaging Services MRI Department	Prep Instructions
<p>NOTE: If possible convert IV's to INT. If fluids need to be continued, be sure it has extension tubing. <u>No IV pumps are allowed in MRI.</u> If patient is receiving heparin or other critical drugs, obtain order to be off drip during exam or obtain order to delay.</p>	<p>* No special preps for exams; however, patients must go through MRI screening procedure.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">MRI Screening Questions</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Precautions</p>
<p>1. Have you ever been a machinist, welder, or metalworker? If so, have you ever had metal removed from your eye(s)?</p>	<p>If yes, patient must have orbit clearance x-rays performed prior to the MRI.</p>
<p>2. Have you ever been hit in the eye with a piece of metal (including metal shavings, slivers, bullets or BBs)?</p>	<p>If yes, patient must have orbit clearance x-rays performed prior to the MRI.</p>
<p>3. Are you pregnant or possibly pregnant?</p>	<p>If yes, the exam must be cleared through the MRI Department.</p>
<p>4. Do you have a pacemaker, defibrillator, neuro (nerve) stimulator or bone stimulator?</p>	<p>If yes, an MRI exam <u>must not be performed</u> under any circumstances.</p>
<p>5. Do you have chest wires, implanted catheters or tubes?</p>	<p>If yes, the exam must be cleared through the MRI Department.</p>
<p>6. Do you have a cardiac valve prosthesis, (artificial heart valve), brain or aneurysm clip?</p>	<p>If yes, you must obtain manufacturing information. The patient should have a card containing the necessary information. You must call the MRI Department to have the exam cleared.</p>
<p>7. Do you have an eye or ear implant?</p>	<p>If yes, you must have the exam cleared through the MRI Department.</p>
<p>8. Do you have any internal metal (shrapnel)?</p>	<p>If yes, you must have the exam cleared through the MRI Department.</p>
<p>9. Are you claustrophobic?</p>	<p>If yes, special arrangements may need to be made when scheduling appointment (i.e. sedation, specialized MRI Unit, etc.)</p>