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Effective May 1, 2021 the Virginia Department of Health, Office of Radiological Health instituted an exemption specifically for Veterinary x-ray units from Virginia Administrative Code 12VAC5-481-1621 (D) (2) (B). The requirement for “an average illuminance of not less than 10 foot-candles at 100 cm or at the maximum SID, whichever is less” is reduced to “not less than 7 foot candles” with regard to Veterinary devices for the purpose of this exemption.

This exemption shall expire upon the regulatory adoption of rules for Veterinary light field illuminance requirements.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by telephone at (804) 864-8170 or by email at [lea.perlas@vdh.virginia.gov](mailto:lea.perlas@vdh.virginia.gov)

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