

RADIOGRAPHY PROTOCOLS

SPINAL COLUMN

- NO Digital markers are to be used; lead markers only - out of the area of interest
- All external metal/radiopaque objects must be removed from the area of interest

ANATOMY	VIEWS	POSITIONING / Notes
Cervical	AP	CR 15-20° cephalad
	Lateral	72" SID
	Odontoid	
	Obliques	For 5 view Cervical or as requested
	**Swimmers	If needed to visualize C7-T1
	**Flexion & Extension	As requested
Thoracic	AP	
	Lateral	Breathing technique exposure
	Swimmers	
Lumbar	AP	Collimate for patient
	Lateral	
	Obliques	
	L5-S1 Spot View	
	**Flexion & Extension	As requested
Sacrum	AP	CR 15° cephalad
	Lateral	
Scoliosis Series	AP Thoracic	Use a large FOV or 14x17 for imaging
	Lateral Thoracic	
	AP Lumbar	Use a large FOV or 14x17 for imaging <i>Include the iliac apophysis on both projections</i>
	Lateral Lumbar	
Coccyx	AP	CR 10° caudad
	Lateral	
SI Joints	AP	CR 30-35° cephalad
	LPO	Angle patient 20-30°. Center on side UP
	RPO	Angle patient 20-30°. Center on side UP

Pediatrics - Patients age 14 and younger

- Comparison views on all extremities
- Shield gonads in all cases, except when shield covers specific part to be examined radiographically