

Hematopathology Grossing Guidelines

Specimen Type: SPLENECTOMY

Procedure:

1. Weigh and measure in 3 dimensions
2. Describe capsule (color, thickness, adhesions, lacerations, etc)
 - a. Take photograph of all traumatic injuries
3. Describe cut surface and any lesions
4. Describe hilum (vessels, accessory spleen, lymph nodes)

Gross Template:

Labeled with the patient's name (**), medical record number (**), designated "****", and received [*fresh/in formalin*] is a(n) **gram, ** x ** x ** cm [*intact/disrupted/fragmented*] splenectomy. The capsule is [*intact/ruptured/roughened/nodular*]. The specimen is serially sectioned to reveal [*describe cut surfaces – congested, hemorrhage, white pulp/red pulp*]. The hilar adipose tissue is dissected through for lymph nodes. [*Describe number/size of lymph nodes identified*]. Representative sections are submitted in [*describe cassette submission*].

Cassette Submission: 2-5 cassettes

- Hilar vessels/lymph nodes
- Capsule (including lesions/lacerations)
- Tumor, if present (1 section per cm)
 - Include relation to capsule and normal spleen
- Unremarkable parenchyma