## **BONE AND SOFT TISSUE PATHOLOGY GROSSING GUIDELINES**

- NOTE: Document in your cassette summary which cassettes (for each specimen part) are submitted for decal
  - Ex: Representative sections are submitted (A1, A3; B2-B4; C3-C4 following decalcification).
  - Ex: Representative sections are submitted:
    - A1- bone (decal)
    - A2- skin resection margin, perpendicular
    - B2- tibia shave (decal)

# **Specimen Type**: BONE RESECTION (FOR TUMOR) **Gross Template**:

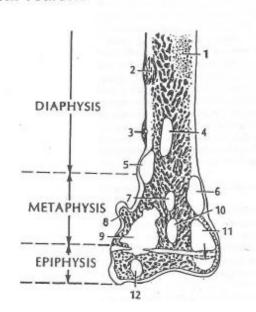
Labeled with the patient's name (\*\*\*), medical record number (\*\*\*), designated "\*\*\*", and received [fresh/in formalin] is an [above-knee disarticulation, hip disarticulation, etc.] measuring \*\*\*cm in length x \*\*\*cm in diameter. The specimen is remarkable for [describe lesion/location/extent/vascular involvement/skip metastases/distance from each margin/extension into soft tissue/necrosis %/appearance]. The adherent soft tissue is dissected through for lymph nodes. [Describe number/size of lymph nodes identified]. A gross photograph is taken. Representative sections are submitted following decalcification in [describe cassette submission].

#### Cassette Submission: 15-20 cassettes

- Note: Consult pathologist before grossing
- One section per 1 cm of tumor/mass/lesion
  - Show relationship to cortex, medulla, adjacent joint/soft tissue
  - Submit one full cross section of the resection (provide map of sections)
- Soft tissue resection margin (en face)
- Skin resection margin (en face)
- Vascular resection margin (en face)
- Bone resection margin (en face)
- Submit all lymph nodes identified
- Note: When submitting large fatty tumors, be sure to cut the sections very thin (no thicker than a nickel) in order to have proper processing

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## **BONE TUMORS**



- 1. Ewing's sarcoma, lymphoma, myeloma
- 2. Osseofibrous dysplasia, adamantinoma
- 3. Osteoid osteoma
- 4. Fibrous dysplasia
- 5. Chondromyxoid fibroma
- 6. Nonossifying fibroma
- 7. Bone cyst, osteoblastoma
- 8. Osteochondroma
- 9. Osteosarcoma
- 10. Enchondroma, chondrosarcoma
- 11. Giant cell tumor
- 12. Chondroblastoma