

Genitourinary Grossing Guidelines

Specimen Type: TRANSURETHRAL RESECTION OF PROSTATE (TURP)

Procedure:

1. Note overall dimensions of specimen; describe the texture color of tissue.
2. Submit tissue not blood clot.
3. Dictate whether tissue is submitted completely or represented.

Gross Template:

Labeled with the patient's name (**), medical record number (**), designated "****", and received [fresh/in formalin] is a ** gram]**** x ** x ** cm aggregate of semi-firm, pink-tan portions of tissue. The portions range from ** to ** cm in greatest dimension. All portions appear homogeneous in color and texture. There [*are/are no*] areas of hemorrhage, degeneration, or calcification. Representative sections are submitted (totaling approximately **%) of the specimen in cassette [*describe cassette submission*].

Cassette Submission: Submit cassettes based on below:

- Less than or equal to 12 grams - submit the entire specimen (usually will fit into 6-8 cassettes)
- Greater than 12 grams –8 cassettes for first 12 grams and one cassette for every additional 5 grams
- **Note: Do not overfill cassettes to the point where entire pieces are overlapping one another**
- ** When low grade (Gleason score 6) prostatic adenocarcinoma is found microscopically, the remaining tissue should be completely submitted if ≤ 20 cassettes. Check with attending staff if > 20 cassettes.