

Ophthalmic Pathology Grossing Guidelines

Specimen Type: EXENTERATION (will include eyelids, orbital tissue and the eye)

Gross Template:

MMODAL Command: “INSERT EYE SOFT TISSUE”

It consists of an [*oriented/unoriented****] en bloc resection to include [*eye, maxilla, orbital soft tissue, etc.****] measuring [*measure in three dimensions* ***] cm in greatest overall dimensions. The attached globe has a cornea which measures [***] cm vertically and [***] cm horizontally. There is a portion of [*tan/brown****] skin present on the anterior surface which measures [*measure in two dimensions****] cm. The epidermal surface is [*unremarkable/describe skin surface****]. [*Describe if eyelids and eyelashes are present****]. [*Describe lesion in two dimensions with depth of invasion for non-ocular tumors. For ocular tumors bisect above optic nerve and describe cut surface of globe.****]. Gross photographs are taken. [*take photos intact and after sectioning**** **delete this statement**] Representative sections are submitted.

[INK KEY:

Yellow Superior

Black Inferior

Red Medial

Blue Lateral

Purple Deep – Inking for Dr. Glasgow cases. Please use breast inking colors for all other attendings***]

[*insert cassette summary****]

Cassette Submission: 10-15 cassettes

- Photograph specimens and consult attending if needed
- Ink all resection margins

Note: Exenterations are generally removed because of cancer. If this resection is removed for an **ocular primary**, you should consult with the Attending on how to proceed, as the way you cut the specimen often depends on the type of tumor and its location. You are always welcome to email Dr. Glasgow or the Pathologists on service for any questions or to supervise

If this resection is removed for a **non-ocular primary** (taken out secondary due to tumor involvement), the eye *may* be removed and bisected in the vertical plane superior to the optic nerve (take photos of cross section of globe with stereomicroscopy). If orbital tissue involvement is evident or clinically suspected, you should consult with the Attending before removing the eye from the main specimen.