

Genitourinary Grossing Guidelines

Specimen Type: CYSTECTOMY- Partial

Procedure:

1. Note overall dimensions of specimen.
2. Ink the resection margins.
3. Open the specimen, if needed.
 - a. Do not touch mucosal surfaces until well fixed, as the mucosa is easily denuded.
4. Photograph the specimen.
5. Describe tumor: location, size, number, demarcation, characteristics (papillary/flat/nodular/ulcerated), extent of invasion, distance from inked deep margin, distance from peripheral margin.
6. Describe mucosa away from tumor.
7. Look for lymph nodes in perivesical fat.

Gross Template:

MMODAL COMMAND: "INSERT PARTIAL BLADDER"

It consists of a partial cystectomy measuring [*measure in three dimensions ****] cm in greatest overall dimensions. [*Describe presence or absence of ureters, including length and diameter if present****] The bladder mucosa is remarkable for a [**** x ****] cm, [*solid/flat/papillary mass or ulcer/area of fibrosis****], located in the [*trigone, lateral wall, anterior, describe the location****].

Sectioning of the mass reveals a [*describe cut surface/hemorrhage/necrosis****]. The mass has a [*****] cm maximum depth. The mass [*is grossly superficial, extends into the bladder wall, extends into the perivesical fibroadipose tissue****] and measures [*****] cm from the inked soft tissue margin and [*****] cm from the nearest peripheral margin. The remaining bladder mucosa is [*unremarkable, edematous, etc****]. Gross photographs are taken.

INK KEY:

Black Soft tissue/deep margin
Blue Peripheral margin

[*insert cassette summary****]

Cassette Submission: 5-10 cassettes

- Lesion/mass
 - o Lesion/mass with relationship to nearest peripheral margin
 - o Lesion/mass with relationship to adjacent mucosa
 - o Full-thickness sections of lesion(s) at maximum depth of invasion – in relation to nearest soft tissue margin
- Any erythematous mucosa separate from the main lesion
- Representative cross sections of uninvolved bladder mucosa