



Villa Garda Private Clinic

RADIOLOGY SERVICE

Our Radiology Unit provides the following diagnostic imaging services:

- Conventional x-ray
- Ultrasound
- Densitometry (charges apply)

We offer conventional x-rays to both IN-HOUSE and EXTERNAL patients. Our Radiology Unit is fully equipped with remote-controlled x-ray and teleradiography machines. We provide all conventional x-rays (without the use of contrast medium) of all body districts. Please refer to the Villa Garda price guide for a full list of our services and their respective costs to the public.

OPENING TIMES – EXTERNAL PATIENTS

THESE SERVICES MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE.

Patients must sign a consent form at Reception (*Accettazione*) on the day of their examination and fill in all information required by the laws in force (name, surname, gender, tax code and details of referring physician).

Patients will also be provided with a *Results Retrieval* form, stating the date on which their x-rays or scans will become available. These records can be picked up from the main entrance at the times indicated.

Patients **MUST ALWAYS** bring any previous x-rays and/or other pertinent records on the day of their examination.

BOOKING

Every day, by telephone (045/6208618), except Saturdays and public holidays, from 09.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.

ACCESSIBILITY FOR IN-HOUSE PATIENTS

Appointments are fixed directly by the employees of the Radiology Unit with ward nurses

RESULTS RETRIEVAL

We aim to make results of the examinations available in 3 working days after your scan, except that further studies must be taken.

Records can be sent to your home address upon request (postal rate will be charged).

ULTRASOUND

Ultrasound scans are performed on Tuesdays and Fridays from 9.10 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. Please refer to the Villa Garda price guide for a full list of our services and their respective costs to the public.

X-RAY

X-ray scans are performed on Tuesdays and Fridays from 11.45 a.m. to 3.45 p.m. Please refer to the Villa Garda price guide for a full list of our services and their respective costs to the public.

DENSITOMETRY

Densitometry scans are performed on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. and from 3.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

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PREPARING FOR YOUR SCAN

Ultrasound examinations (upper abdomen, lower etc.) require adequate preparation in order to optimize the exploration of the studied districts that will be communicated at the time of booking.

Upper and/or full abdomen ultrasound: Do not eat high-fibre foods (fruit, vegetables and cereals) or other foods or drinks that increase the amount of gas in the colon (wine, soft drinks, cheese) prior to your scan. This gas obscures body tissues on the scan.

Pelvic/lower abdomen ultrasound: Drink 1 litre of water an hour before your scan. A full bladder and its wall can be viewed clearly, and will move the bowel into the correct position for examining the uterus and ovaries in the female pelvis and the prostate in males.

Transrectal ultrasound: Patients will need to have a cleansing enema the morning of or a few hours before the scan so that a full internal examination can be carried out. During the scan, a probe is inserted into the patient's rectum. The probe is covered by a disposable cap and lubricated with ultrasound gel. The examination is painless and takes only a few minutes.

Endovaginal ultrasound: During the scan, a sterile probe is inserted into the patient's vagina. This enables the uterus lining and the ovaries to be viewed clearly.

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