

General radiographic examination

General radiography is a common examination that uses X-rays to take images of bones, joints, and lungs, for example.

It is often simply called “X-ray”.

The opening hours of our X-ray units are available online at www.hus.fi/en/x-ray-units. Most units do not have appointment booking.

Please reserve approximately one hour for your visit. The examination usually takes less than 30 minutes.

Patient who needs urgent examination may be examined before you.

Before the examination

- You may eat and drink as usual before the examination.
- If the images will be taken from the torso area, please wear close that are easy to take off.

You must remove all jewellery from the examination area. It is best to leave the jewellery at home.

During the examination

A radiographer will take one or several X-ray images. You must stay still for a short while when the image is taken.

After the examination

You will receive the results of the examination from the doctor who treats you.

If you do not know how to find out the results, please contact the outpatient clinic or ward that referred you to this examination.

Other things to note

Please bring with you your Kela card or identity card.

If you have a referral for

- scoliosis X-ray
- mechanical axis of a lower extremity, or
- long bones

please book an appointment by telephoning www.hus.fi/en/medical-imaging >> [Medical Imaging Center's customer service](#).

For children and adults who require help, it would be good to have one or two assistants. The assistants must be over the age of 18 and not pregnant at the time.

If you have old X-rays of the same area on a CD, please bring them with you.

You will not be charged for the examination separately.

Further information

For further information in Finnish please visit: www.tutkimukseen.fi >> Yleisimmät kuvantamistutkimukset >> [Röntgen](#).