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Effective July 1, 2021 the Virginia Department of Health, Office of Radiological Health instituted an exemption from Virginia Administrative Code 12VAC5-340 (A) (1) (B) which states "Bachelor's degree in one of the physical sciences or engineering and three years of full-time experience in radiation safety including at least one year in diagnostic x-ray safety. Advanced degrees in related areas may be substituted for experience on an equal time basis, except that no substitution shall be allowed for the required one year of experience in diagnostic x-ray safety." The exemption change is highlighted in the regulation as follows:

Bachelor's degree in one of the physical sciences or engineering and three years of full-time experience in radiation **inspection experience** including at least one year in diagnostic x-ray **inspection experience**. Advanced degrees in related areas may be substituted for experience on an equal time basis, except that no substitution shall be allowed for the required one year of **inspection** experience in diagnostic x-ray.

The exemption shall expire upon the regulatory adoption of rules for 12VAC5-340.

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