



## Compliance Requirements Overview

### Fire Extinguishers

- **Frequency:** Annually
- **Requirement:** Each fire extinguisher must be inspected by an external auditor.
- **Documentation:** A current inspection tag must be attached to each extinguisher, showing the name of a company previously used.

### Staff Licensing

- **Frequency:** Continuous / Ongoing
- **Requirement:**
  - All Registered Dental Assistants (RDAs) and Dentists must hold a **current and active Texas dental license**.
- **Verification:** Licenses should be checked regularly to ensure they remain valid.

### Autoclave Spore Testing

- **Frequency:** Weekly
- **Requirement:** Spore testing must be performed by an outside testing company.
- **Documentation:** Maintain records of weekly test results.

### X-Ray Quality Assurance (QA)

- **Frequency:** Quarterly
- **Requirement:**
  - Take an X-ray of the **same object each quarter** (e.g., pen, pencil, keys).
  - This must be completed **for every X-ray device** (e.g., Pano, Nomad).
- **Consistency:** The same object should be used year after year for comparison.

### AED (Automated External Defibrillator)

- **Frequency:** Monthly
- **Inspection Criteria:**
  - Battery health
  - Any visible damage to the unit

### Medications (Medical Kit)

- **Frequency:** Monthly
- **Inspection Criteria:**
  - Check for expired medications
  - Remove and replace expired items as needed

### HVAC Filters

- **Frequency:** Every 6 months
- **Location:** Filters are located near the HVAC units, typically on the roof.
- **Requirement:**
  - Contact the designated AC service provider to replace filters.



## X-Ray Machine Recertification (Equipment Performance Evaluation)

- **Review Frequency:** Every 6 months
- **Requirement:**
  - Evaluate the **date of the last Equipment Performance Evaluation (EPE)**.
  - The EPE must be completed **every 4 years** by Patterson or someone similar.

## Backflow Testing

- **Frequency:** Annually
- **Requirement:**
  - Completed by an outside certified entity.
- **Notification:**
  - A reminder is typically sent by mail when testing is due.

## Water Filtration System

- **Frequency:** Every 12 months
- **Requirement:**
  - Replace filters annually.
- **Ordering Guidance:**
  - Purchase online if available for lower cost.
  - If not available, order through **Patterson**.