

# Radiologic Quality Rereading

# U. S. Department of Labor

Office of Workers' Compensation Programs  
Division of Coal Mine Workers' Compensation



**NOTE:** This report is authorized by law (30 USC, 901 et seq. and 20 CFR 718.102). The results of this interpretation will aid in determining the miner's eligibility for black lung benefits. This method of collecting information complies with the Freedom of Information Act, the Privacy Act of 1974, and OMB Cir. No. 108.

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Please record your quality finding of a single image by placing "X" in the appropriate boxes on the form and return it promptly to the office that requested the interpretation. The form must be completed as per instructions; signed by a physician; and contain the miner's name and DOL's Case ID Number. The Department of Labor will pay only for images of acceptable quality (1, 2 and 3). Images of inferior quality (U/R) must be retaken without cost to the Department.

1A. Miner's Name (Print)	1B. Date of X-ray <table border="1" style="margin: 5px auto; text-align: center;"><tr><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;"></td></tr><tr><td>MO.</td><td>DAY</td><td>YR.</td><td></td><td></td></tr></table>						MO.	DAY	YR.			1C. DOL's Case ID Number	1D. Image Quality (If not Grade 1 give reason): <table border="1" style="margin: 5px auto; text-align: center;"><tr><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;">1</td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;">2</td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;">3</td><td style="width: 20px; height: 20px;">U/R</td></tr></table>	1	2	3	U/R
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2A. ANY OTHER ABNORMALITIES? YES  Complete 2B and 2C NO  Proceed to Section 3

2B. OTHER SYMBOLS (OBLIGATORY)

aa	at	ax	bu	ca	cg	cn	co	cp	cv	di	ef	em	es	fr	hi	ho	id	ih	kl	me	pa	pb	pi	px	ra	rp	tb
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REPORT ITEMS WHICH MAY BE OF PRESENT CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE IN THIS SECTION

OD	(Specify od.) _____	Date Personal Physician notified? _____	Mo.	Day	Yr.
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2C. OTHER COMMENTS \_\_\_\_\_

2D. SHOULD WORKER SEE PERSONAL PHYSICIAN BECAUSE OF COMMENTS IN SECTION 2C?  Yes  No Proceed to Section 3

3A. FACILITY PROVIDING ROENTGENOGRAPHIC EXAMINATION: \_\_\_\_\_  
 DOL Medical Provider Number (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Was image taken by a registered radiographer/radiographic technologist?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_ State  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Registration No. \_\_\_\_\_

3B. Physician Interpreting Image (Print Name): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are you: Board-certified Radiologist?  Yes  No Board-eligible Radiologist?  Yes  No B-reader?  Yes  No  
 Date current B-reader certification expires: \_\_\_\_\_

3C. I certify that this image has been re-read for quality in accordance with the instructions provided by 20 CFR 718, Subpart B, 718.102 and Appendix A. I also certify that the information furnished is correct and am aware that my signature attests to the accuracy of the results reported. I am aware that any person who willfully makes any false or misleading statements or representation in support of an application for benefits shall be guilty under 30 USC 941 of a misdemeanor and, on conviction, subject to a fine of up to \$1,000, or to imprisonment for up to one-year, or both.

PHYSICIAN'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF RE-READING \_\_\_\_\_ (Mo., Day, Yr.)

**PUBLIC BURDEN STATEMENT**

We estimate that it will take an average of 3 minutes to complete this information collection, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the information. If you have any comments regarding these estimates or any other aspect of this information collection, including suggestions for reducing this burden, send them to the Division of Coal Mine Workers' Compensation, U. S. Department of Labor, Room N-3464, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210. **DO NOT SEND THE COMPLETED FORM TO THIS OFFICE.**

**PRIVACY ACT NOTICE**

The following information is provided in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 USC 552a. (1) Submission of this information is required under the Black Lung Benefits Act. (2) The information will be used to determine eligibility for and the amount of benefits payable under the Act. (3) The information may be used by other agencies or persons in handling matters relating, directly or indirectly, to the subject matter of the claim, including potentially liable coal mine operators and their insurance carriers; medical professionals in obtaining medical services or evaluations; contractors providing automated data processing services to the Department of Labor; representatives of the parties to the claim; and federal, state or local agencies in obtaining information about eligibility for benefits. (4) Furnishing all requested information will facilitate the claims adjudication process; not providing all or any part of the requested information may delay the process, or result in an unfavorable decision or a reduced level of benefits. (5) This information is included in a System of Records, DOL/OWCP-2, published at 81 *Federal Register* 25765, 25858 (April 29, 2016), or as updated and republished.

**NOTICE**

If you have a substantially limiting physical or mental impairment, Federal disability nondiscrimination law gives you the right to receive help from OWCP in the form of communication assistance, accommodation and modification to aid you in the claims process. For example, we will provide you with copies of documents in alternate formats, communication services such as sign language interpretation, or other kinds of adjustments or changes to account for the limitations of your disability. Please contact our office or the claims examiner to ask about this assistance.

NOTE: Persons are not required to respond to this collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number

**For Purposes of Coding for the Department of Labor, the following criteria will be used  
ILO 2011 INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFICATION OF RADIOGRAPHS OF THE PNEUMOCONIOSES**

1D	<b>Technical Quality</b>	
	<b>CODES</b>	<b>DEFINITIONS</b>
	1 2 3 U/R	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Good</li> <li>- Acceptable, with no technical defect likely to impair classification of the radiograph for pneumoconiosis</li> <li>- Acceptable, with some technical defect but still acceptable for classification purposes.</li> <li>- Unacceptable for classification purposes.</li> </ul>
2B	<u>Other Symbols</u>	
It is to be taken that the definition of such symbols is preceded by an appropriate word or phrase such as "suspect" or "suggestive of", etc.		
	<b>SYMBOLS</b>	<b>DEFINITIONS</b>
	aa at ax bu ca cg cn co cp cv di ef em es fr hi ho id ih kl me pa pb pi px ra rp tb od	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- atherosclerotic aorta</li> <li>- significant apical pleural thickening</li> <li>- coalescence of small opacities</li> <li>- bulla(e)</li> <li>- cancer: thoracic malignancies excluding mesothelioma</li> <li>- calcified non-pneumoconiotic nodules (e.g. granuloma) or nodes</li> <li>- calcification in small pneumoconiotic opacities</li> <li>- abnormality of cardiac size or shape</li> <li>- cor pulmonale</li> <li>- cavity</li> <li>- marked distortion of the intrathoracic structure</li> <li>- pleural effusion</li> <li>- emphysema</li> <li>- eggshell calcification of hilar or mediastinal lymph nodes</li> <li>- fractured rib(s) (acute or healed)</li> <li>- enlargement of non-calcified hilar or mediastinal lymph nodes</li> <li>- honeycomb lung</li> <li>- ill-defined diaphragm border</li> <li>- ill-defined heart border</li> <li>- septal (Kerley) lines</li> <li>- mesothelioma</li> <li>- plate atelectasis</li> <li>- parenchymal bands</li> <li>- pleural thickening in the interlobar fissure</li> <li>- pneumothorax</li> <li>- rounded atelectasis</li> <li>- rheumatoid pneumoconiosis</li> <li>- tuberculosis</li> <li>- other disease or significant abnormality</li> </ul>
2C	<u>Comments</u>	

If comments are present, please check the "Yes" or "No" box to indicate if the miner should see personal physician.