A person who is certified in radiation safety may operate dental radiographic equipment under the general supervision of the supervising dentist. A person who is presumed to have certification in radiation safety, since it is a required portion of the educational program’s curriculum.

The Dental Board (Board) is notified of each person’s successful passage of the required course by the approved program, which is required to notify the Board of the person’s compliance with the above law. Graduates of an approved, full RDA Educational Program after January 1, 1985, are required to complete an approved radiation safety course, and all existing RDA licensees must do so prior to March 31, 2006 or their license will be automatically suspended.

The Board evaluates courses that are seeking approval from the Board. Visit our Regulations page for a copy of the regulations governing approval of radiation safety courses. Contact the Dental Board at 916-250-2050 to obtain an application for program approval.