Frozen Section Preparation Competency Assessment

PREPARATION SKILLS AND QUALITY CHECKS

SOP/reference _____

Staff Member _____ Date _____

Assessor _____ Assessment period ☐ Initial ☐ 6 month ☐ Other: _____

C Competent R Remediation required O Not assessed N/A Not applicable

	C	R	O	N/A
01 Preparation & safety				
Verifies specimen, cassette (if used) and slide identification.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Uses PPE and checks cryostat readiness.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Locks handwheel and guards blade before adjustments or changes.	☐	☐	☐	☐
02 Orientation, freezing & sectioning				
Orients, embeds and freezes tissue appropriately.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Faces conservatively; selects suitable temperature and section thickness.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Collects intact sections on correctly labeled slides.	☐	☐	☐	☐
03 Quality, handoff & completion				
Stains, coverslips and checks slide quality.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Corrects artifacts; escalates unresolved problems.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Documents cases, delivers slides and preserves remaining tissue.	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cleans, disinfects and records maintenance; prevents carryover.	☐	☐	☐	☐

CASES REVIEWED

Case number	Notes	Case number	Notes

Assessment outcome ☐ Competent ☐ Other: _____

Staff Member signature _____ Date _____

Assessor signature _____ Date _____

Medical Director signature _____ Date _____