• NOTE: Document in your cassette summary which cassettes (for each specimen part) are submitted for decal
  o Ex: Representative sections are submitted (A1, A3; B2-B4; C3-C4 following decalcification).
  o Ex: Representative sections are submitted:
    ▪ A1- bone (decal)
    ▪ A2- skin resection margin, perpendicular
    ▪ B2- tibia shave (decal)

Specimen Type: TOTAL KNEE ARTHROPLASTY
Gross Template:
Labeled with the patient’s name (***, medical record number (***, designated “***”, and received [fresh/in formalin] is a [total/partial/unilateral] knee arthroplasty received in multiple portions ranging from *** to *** cm in maximum dimension, amounting in aggregate to *** x *** x *** cm. [Describe any recognizable portions of bone –tibial plateau, femoral condyles, posterior patella, etc.] [Describe soft tissue components present-meniscus, fibroadipose tissue, synovium]. The articular surface is [smooth/eburnation/osteophytes/eroded/remarkable for a thinning of articular cartilage]. The bone is sectioned to reveal [describe cut surfaces]. Representative sections are submitted following decalcification [describe cassette submission].

Cassette Submission: 2 cassettes
  ▪ One cassette of soft tissue (meniscus, synovium)
  ▪ One cassette of bone with eburnation (following decalcification)
  ▪ Submit more cassettes if lesion/mass is identified

For Revision Surgeries: 4 cassettes
  • 3 sections of joint capsule/soft tissue (emphasis on synovial surface)
  • 1 section of bone, if present