

What to expect from a CT abdomen and pelvis scan

The information listed below is only a guide; you will be advised of specific details when making your appointment.

Prior to your appointment

1. You may be sent for a blood test to check your kidney function.
2. **Do not eat or drink 2 hours prior to your appointment.**
3. Continue to take all prescribed medicine as usual and bring a list of any medications you are currently taking to your appointment.
4. If you are diabetic, please inform the booking staff.

On arrival

1. **Please ensure you bring your referral form from your doctor to your appointment.**
2. You should allow up to 90 minutes for this examination, including preparation time.
3. You will be asked to drink a litre of water over 45 minutes prior to your scan.
4. You may be given intravenous contrast at the time of your examination to enhance the visualisation of certain organs. Before administering any contrast agent the CT staff will discuss and ask for your consent.

After procedure

1. After the scan, you can resume normal activities.
2. The result of your scan will be sent to your doctor as soon as possible.

If you have any questions regarding your CT appointment, **please do not hesitate to call us on 09 630 3324 or 0800 497 297.** We look forward to seeing you.