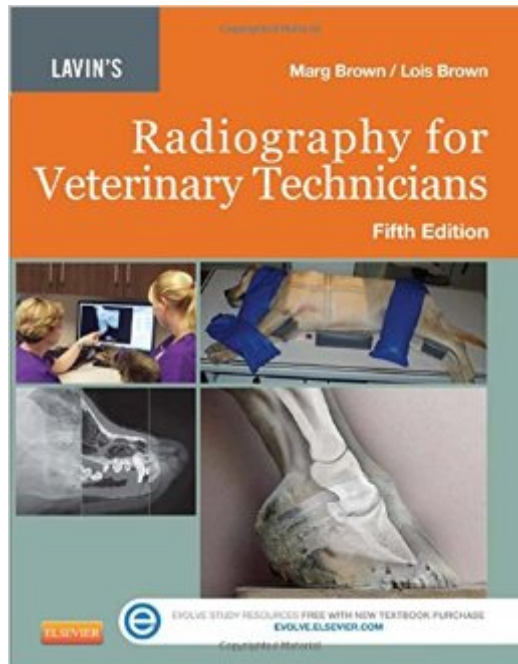


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# Lavin's Radiography For Veterinary Technicians, 5e



## Synopsis

Written by veterinary technicians for veterinary students and practicing technicians, Lavinâ™s Radiography for Veterinary Technicians, 5th Edition, combines all the aspects of imaging â• including production, positioning, and evaluation of radiographs â• into one comprehensive text. Completely updated with all new vivid, color equipment photos, positioning drawings and detailed anatomy drawings, this fifth edition is a valuable resource for students, technicians and veterinarians who need information on the latest technology or unique positioning. Broad coverage of radiologic science, physics, imaging and protection provide you with foundations for good technique. Positioning photos, radiographic images and anatomical drawings presented side-by-side with text explanation for each procedure increases your comprehension and retention. Objectives, key terms, outlines, chapter introductions and key points help you organize information to ensure you understand what is most important in every chapter. NEW! More than 1000 new full-color photos and updated radiographic images visually demonstrate the relationship between anatomy and positioning. NEW! All-new color anatomy art created by an expert medical illustrator help you to recognize and avoid making imaging mistakes. NEW! Non-Manual restraint techniques including sandbags, tape, rope, sponges, sedation and combinations improve your safety and radiation protection. NEW! Chapter on dental radiography aids general veterinarian techs and those specializing in dentistry. NEW! Increased emphasis on digital radiography, including quality factors and post-processing, keeps you up-to-date on the most recent developments in digital technology.

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## Customer Reviews

If you can, get the 4th edition, it's way easier to read and this edition is not recommended by any of my teachers. They all said get the 4th edition, so I'm returning this one and getting the 4th. Reading this is way too complicated and way more than we need to know for the boards/job, the 4th gives you everything in an easier to understand language and doesn't confuse you further (unlike this one).

Bought this book for my radiology class. The book is in great condition but is complicated to read. It has very useful positioning techniques and like others have described seems like a whole different book compared to the earlier editions.

I bought this book a while ago and I still have it. I think this is a great book. I feel it has great x-ray images and great explanations. I think this is a new version to a book I bought many years ago, which I have as well. The first one was in black and white, this one seems to have more life to it. I think this is a great resource for the VTNE. Although sometimes the wording was more confusing than the previous book, but it could have been I was used to one style and this book was written in a different style. Overall a great quality book.

The second half of this text regarding radiographic positioning is excellent. Clear information and photos are provided. The first half of this text is of very limited use to me as a professor of a veterinary radiography course at an accredited veterinary technology program. My students have struggled to obtain minimal useful and understandable information from this text. It is very frustrating! As others have suggested, buy the 4th edition of this text. Avoid this one. I find the information presented in the first half to be muddled, poorly organized, and unclear.

This book was required for my diagnostic imaging class. While I had seen the numerous poor reviews the text had received, I didn't have any other option but to purchase this book. A month into my class, and I have yet to obtain any real information from this book. My professor has had to provide supplementary reading material just to get us through the kVp and mAs discussions because the text did not elaborate on these very important concepts whatsoever. There are also numerous mistakes throughout the text and nebulous descriptions of concepts that seem targeted towards an already educated audience. For example, at one point the book states that automatic film processors should not be stored in the darkroom if at all possible to conserve space -- they should be placed in the main radiology room. This is 100% illogical as the film you place in the

processor cannot be exposed to light and must be kept in the darkroom...very frustrating, you see? I have heard that the latter half of the book that deals with positioning is very good, but I really hate that I purchased half a textbook. Bottom Line: Purchase this only if you have to, and be prepared to do a lot of research on your own for clarification.

This textbook is overly complicated and too in depth for what veterinary technician students actually need to be successful in practice and on the VTNE. The 4th edition is so much better, and I think it is unfortunate that the publisher allowed these two new authors to use Lisa Lavin's name on this text. It isn't a 5th edition, it is an entirely new book.

In all honesty, this textbook is horrible. I, along with many online students, find the textbook too vague to be a learning material. Throughout most chapters, the book will discuss a topic and either loosely describe the concept, or fail to describe it at all. Please excuse the poor analogy, but while discussing this problem, a student and I agreed that the formula is similar to saying: "The sky is not blue because of the oceans," yet no explanation as to why the sky is blue is present. A more direct example would be the topics of radiographic contrast and subject contrast. In Brown's book, the explanation for both ideas is explained in two SENTENCES. In Lisa Lavin's fourth edition radiography book, the subjects are given two PAGES. That vagueness, along with multiple typos and no definitions, made learning each topic much more difficult, and I was very disappointed that I had to buy Lisa Lavin's fourth edition just to gain a grasp of the subjects. Perhaps this style is perfect for the student that just wants to fly through the course, but it is not suitable for the student that actually wants to learn these concepts.

This text book is SUPER hard to read; it feels like info isn't presented in a way that is digestible, and I don't feel the concepts are explained well AT ALL. There are also a ton of editing errors that make the material more difficult to understand. The graphs, charts, images... Are either too simple or not explained clearly enough. I think this text makes radiology HARDER to comprehend. I would avoid purchasing this, it's not worth the money.

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