

ELECTROCARDIOGRAM (EKG)

An electrocardiogram, also known as an EKG, is a simple procedure that records the heart's electrical impulses. Your physician may have ordered this test in order to determine your heart's rhythm and if there are any abnormalities in the way your heart beats.

Ten patches will be placed on your chest and a wire will be attached to each patch. The patches and wires then transmit your heart's rhythm onto paper, which will be interpreted by a cardiologist.

There are no special preparations for this test.

