UT Southwestern Department of Radiology

Anatomy: LOWER EXTREMITY -Exams ORDERABLE- ANKLE

Sub-Anatomy: Ankle- 3T MR Arthro - Routine Coil: Ankle/Chimney coil

SEQUENCE - BASICS				VARIABLE PARAMETERS													
PLANE	SEQ	Slice				% R							ETL			Pixel Shift	
ROUTINE		thickness (mm)	Misc / Comment	MT X	gap	F O V	SLICES	Voxel size (mm)	TR	TE		NS	Turbo Factor	Phase Encode	Scan TIME (min)	BW-kHz	
	3 plane scout		Only use GRE														
1	Sag 2D T1 FS	3.5						0.4x0.5	600	6-9							
2	Sag 2D fsPD	3.5						0.4x0.5	3000	35-40							
3	Ax 2D T1FS	3.5			10%			0.4x0.5	600	6-9							
4	COR 2D T1FS	3.5			10%			0.4x0.5	600	6-9							
5	Cor 3D PD	3D			10%			0.65									
6	Ax T1 VIBE no FS																
J	OPTIONAL ↓																

Instructions: FOV and Coverage- On axials, cover 1-2 cm above the ankle joint to skin surface. On coronals, cover from posterior skin to base of metatarsals. On sagittals, cover from slightly medial to medial mallelolus to slightly lateral to lateral mallelolus.

Large subject: Increase voxel-0.7 mm,, if problem with SNR or wrap, etc- call OPB/PMH for remote monitoring help.

Reconstruction for 3D- 0.65 mm in all 3 planes

Others- Always put marker at the site of most pain, injury or swelling. If motion observed, stop the scan, instruct patient to lay still and repeat the sequence.





