

URINARY SYSTEM ANATOMY

ORGAN	PRIMARY FUNCTION	OBSERVATIONS/NOTES
Kidneys (2)	Filters blood to remove waste and excess water, producing urine; maintains electrolyte balance.	
Ureters (2)	Narrow tubes that carry urine from the kidneys to the bladder via peristaltic contractions.	
Urinary Bladder	A hollow, muscular sac that expands to store urine until it is excreted from the body.	
Urethra	The canal through which urine passes from the bladder to the outside of the body.	
Sphincter Muscles	Circular muscles that help keep urine from leaking by closing tightly around the bladder opening.	