

RITA MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p><b>Â DE YOUNG RICHARD</b></p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p><b>46421 LANDING PARKWAY</b></p> <p>(Street)</p> <p><b>FREMONT, Â CA Â 94538</b></p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p><b>08/17/2005</b></p>	<p>3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p><b>RITA MEDICAL SYSTEMS INC [RITA]</b></p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other                  (give title below) (specify below)                  Vice President, Finance</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	3,000	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Option to purchase, right to buy	03/20/2001 <sup>(1)</sup>	09/20/2010	Common Stock	22,000	\$ 9.5	D	Â
Option to purchase, right to buy	07/25/2001 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/25/2011	Common Stock	2,080	\$ 6.5625	D	Â
Option to purchase, right to buy	09/12/2001 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/12/2011	Common stock	12,000	\$ 3.75	D	Â
Option to purchase, right to buy	08/06/2002 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/06/2012	Common Stock	4,880	\$ 5.41	D	Â
Option to purchase, right to buy	02/01/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/01/2012	Common Stock	7,500	\$ 5.45	D	Â
Option to purchase, right to buy	09/13/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/13/2013	Common Stock	5,000	\$ 4.12	D	Â
Option to purchase, right to buy	04/02/2003 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/02/2013	Common Stock	13,365	\$ 3.03	D	Â
Option to purchase, right to buy	02/19/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/19/2014	Common Stock	37,500	\$ 3.15	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DE YOUNG RICHARD 46421 LANDING PARKWAY FREMONT, CA 94538	Â	Â	Â Vice President, Finance	Â

## Signatures

Richard De  
Young 08/18/2005

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) This grant is fully vested as of 8/18/2005.

(2) 12.5% of this grant vested on the indicated date. 2.083% vest on each subsequent monthly anniversary of that date.

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