



Understanding your contact lens professional fees

As a contact lens wearer, additional tests are provided for you. These tests are done to make sure your eyes are healthy, that the lenses fit your eyes properly, and to ensure that you are seeing as clearly as possible. Contact lens professional fees, more commonly known as contact lens exams or fits, are for the extra time taken by the Doctor and staff each year to properly evaluate your contact lenses. Contact lenses are prescribed medical devices that require a yearly evaluation and written prescription in order for you to “refill” your contact lenses.

What additional tests are needed?

- Corneal health evaluation with a slit lamp (ocular microscope)
- Corneal curvature measurement
- Evaluation of condition of your current contact lenses
- Contact lens size consideration
- Contact lens material evaluation
- Vision evaluation
- Fitting evaluation (i.e. too tight, too loose, too dry, off center, etc.)
- Instruction on proper care, insertion and removal of contacts

Isn't this part of my Annual Eye exam?

No, contact lens-related tests are done in addition to the annual eye exam. These are tests that only need to be done for our patients who prefer to wear contact lenses, not for the patients who choose eye glasses.

Doesn't my Insurance cover the contact lens exam?

That depends on your plan's coverage. Most insurance plans cover a routine eye exam which determines your eye glass prescription and evaluates your eye health. Contact lens services are separate procedures that may or may not be covered by insurance.

How much does this cost and does this include the contacts?

It depends on the complexity of the lenses your prescription requires. Contact lens evaluations start at \$130 and go up depending on complexity of the evaluation and type of lens you wear. This fee also covers all contact lens follow up care within 90 days of your original appointment. Boxes can be purchased once the prescription is finalized.

What if I try contacts and change my mind?

If you don't like your contacts, fees for services rendered are not refundable. However, if you have purchased boxes and they are unopened, we can credit the amount to eyeglasses or other materials.