

## What are contact lens professional fees for?

As a contact lens wearer additional tests are done that are necessary to ensure your eyes are healthy, that your lenses fit properly, and to ensure you are seeing as well as possible. Contact lens professional fees are for the extra testing and time taken by the staff and doctor each year to evaluate your lenses and your eyes with the lenses on. Patients who do not wear contact lenses do not undergo these extra tests.

## What types of additional tests are needed?

We perform tests and evaluations specific to only contact lens wearers. These include:

- ❖ Corneal health evaluation to ensure no infections or irritation due to contact lens wear
- ❖ Evaluation of condition and quality of your current contact lenses
- ❖ Contact lens size consideration
- ❖ Contact Lens material evaluation to determine any ocular sensitivity to the lens material
- ❖ Vision evaluation to ensure optimal visual performance
- ❖ Fitting evaluation (i.e., too tight, too loose, too dry, off center, etc.) that may cause future problems
- ❖ Unlimited follow up visits with our doctors or staff within 90 days of initial fitting
- ❖ Instruction and review on insertion and removal of contacts
- ❖ Instruction on proper care and cleaning of contact lenses to ensure continued lens comfort



An auto refraction is performed to verify or update your prescription measurements for contact lenses.

A contact lens evaluation or fit is needed to ensure lenses are centered, moving properly and not drying out.

Our highly trained staff works to ensure you are 100% comfortable with your lenses

## How much does it cost?

A professional fee for an annual contact lens evaluation is based on the type of lens you wear, and is in addition to your routine exam fees since we perform tests specific to contact lens wearers only. If you should require or would like to be fit with a contact lens that is different than what you are currently wearing, a professional fee is charged for the evaluation process. The amount of this fee is determined by the complexity of the lens type and specialized knowledge needed by your eye doctor and staff to fit the lens. Our contact lens professional fees are listed below:

- ❖ Annual Contact Lens Evaluation (no changes in lens material or prescription) \$50.00
- ❖ Level 1 Contact Lens Fitting (spherical lenses) \$75.00
- ❖ Level 2 Contact Lens Fitting (lenses used to correct astigmatism) \$100.00
- ❖ Level 3 Contact Lens Fitting (monovision or multifocal lenses) \$125.00
- ❖ Level 4 Contact Lens Fitting (toric-multifocal lenses) \$150.00

## Does my insurance cover contact lens professional fees?

Many Vision Insurance plans such as VSP and EyeMed cover a portion of the fitting fees listed above and then offer allowances for the contact lens materials as well. Please consult your individual plans for details. Other insurances plans like Blue Cross Blue Shield, United, Medicare, Medicaid and Tricare do not cover contact lens services or materials since these are considered elective services.