



UNDERSTANDING Your Contact Lens Care & Professional Fees

As a contact lens wearer, additional tests are provided for you that are necessary to make sure your eyes are healthy, that your lenses fit properly, and to ensure that you are seeing as well as possible. Contact lens professional fees are for the extra testing and time taken by the staff and Drs. Murphy & Pipkin 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 microscope
- 👁️ Corneal curvature measurement
- 👁️ Thorough contact lens history
- 👁️ Evaluating the condition of your contact lenses (current wearers)
- 👁️ Contact lens size consideration
- 👁️ Vision evaluation
- 👁️ Fitting evaluation (i.e. too tight, too loose, too dry, off center, etc.)
- 👁️ Follow-up visits
- 👁️ Training/ Re-training, if needed

ISN'T THIS SERVICE PART OF MY ANNUAL EYE EXAM?

No, contact lens related tests are done in addition to the eye examination. These are procedures that only need to be done for our patients who prefer contact lenses, not for patient who choose only eyeglasses.

DOESN'T MY INSURANCE COVER CONTACT LENS PROFESSIONAL FEES?

It depends on your plan's coverage. Most insurance plans cover a routine eye exam which determines your glasses prescription and evaluates your eye health. Contact lens services are separate procedures that may or may not be covered by your particular plan. Please ask about the details if you are unsure.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST AND DOES THIS INCLUDE THE CONTACTS?

Depending on the complexity of the lenses required, the costs range from \$40 to \$300 annually. NEW fits, given that they require more time, will cost more than an annual maintenance fit. Your specific fees will be explained before the fit begins. Diagnostic contact lenses are included with this service; your final contact lens supply will be purchased separately when the prescription is finalized.

WHAT IF I TRY CONTACTS AND CHANGE MY MIND?

If you decide with the 60 day trial period that you are unhappy with contact lenses, you will receive a 50% refund on *fitting* fees. Fees paid for instruction are not refundable.