



# Refraction Fee



## WHAT IS A REFRACTION?

The refraction is the part of the exam in which the doctor or technician uses lenses to determine which eyeglass prescription gives you the best vision. This information may be used to prescribe eyeglasses or to help the doctor decide what impact any eye disease is having on your vision.

## DOES INSURANCE COVER THIS TEST?

Many insurance companies do not pay for this portion of the eye exam. They call it a non-covered service. **Medicare never pays for the refraction, and most supplemental insurances follow suit.** Many commercial insurance companies that include a separate vision plan for their members do cover the refraction.

## IS PAYMENT DUE TODAY?

If we know that your insurance will not cover the **\$47** refraction fee, then we will ask for your payment at the time of the service. You are responsible for paying the refraction fee if your insurance does not cover it.

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# Contact Lens Evaluation Fees

## WHAT IS A CONTACT LENS EVALUATION?

Every comprehensive eye examination includes a thorough evaluation of vision and eye health. If you wish to receive a prescription for contact lenses, additional time will be taken to ensure proper fit, vision, and comfort with the contacts. Your doctor and his/her staff will obtain additional measurements to specifically evaluate how your contacts are affecting the health of your eyes and spend time talking with you about your contact lens wear habits and options. All of these components are necessary to ensure a good fit and healthy contact lens wear. In order for a contact lens prescription to be written, a contact lens evaluation must be done in addition to the comprehensive exam, regardless of whether you have a change in your contact lens prescription.

## HOW MUCH IS THE FEE?

The amount of the contact lens evaluation fee depends upon the complexity of your prescription and is determined by your doctor at the completion of your visit. You may need to return for an additional visit or two in order for your doctor to finalize your contact lens prescription; these visits are included in the contact lens evaluation fee. Occasionally, the evaluation process may require more than two additional visits for complicated cases; your doctor would inform you of additional charges if they apply.

## DOES INSURANCE COVER A CONTACT LENS EVALUATION?

Many insurance companies do not pay for this part of your eye exam. Commercial insurance companies which include a separate vision plan for their members may cover a portion or even all of the contact lens evaluation fee. Medicare never pays for it, and most supplemental insurances follow suit. The best way for you to know whether it is covered is to check with your insurance carrier about the benefits of your plan.

## IS PAYMENT DUE TODAY?

If we know that your insurance will not cover the contact lens evaluation fee, then we will ask for payment at the time of service. You are responsible for paying the contact lens evaluation fee if your insurance does not cover it.

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