

Contact lens evaluation fees:

In 1994, The Vision Care Customer Assistance Act changed the rules governing how contact lenses are prescribed in the State of Washington. The notice is to help clarify these rules.

Shortly, you will see a practitioner who may perform an evaluation for contact lenses. These tests are not part of your routine eye examination. Most insurance companies do not cover the cost of contact lens services or will cover only a portion of these costs.

To prescribe contact lenses, tests must be completed to evaluate the effects of the contact lenses have on your overall eye health. If you choose to have your contact lenses prescribed elsewhere, you receive a copy of your glasses prescription stating "OK for Contact lenses" per the Vision Care Consumer Assistance Act. A contact lens prescription does not exist until you have seen the practitioner for a follow-up visit with the prescribed contacts on and fitting is deemed complete (Washington State Law RCW 181.95). Federal regulations also apply to contact lens prescriptions.

Contact lens fees are not refundable and do not include the cost of contact lens materials.

Evaluation for current lens wearers: \$75-\$144

Evaluation for new lens wearers: \$130-\$285

_____ Yes, I would like to have my contact lenses evaluated today. I understand that after **4 months** from today's date if there are any changes to my contact lens prescription, I will be responsible for a new evaluation fee.

_____ No, I do not want to have my contact lenses evaluated today. I understand I cannot order more contact lenses without a valid and current contact lens prescription.

_____ Date: _____

Signature of Patient or Representative (If patient is less than 18 years old)

(Patient name, please print)