



INFORMATION REGARDING EYEGLOSS PRESCRIPTIONS

As part of your eye examination today, you may have an **eye refraction**. An eye refraction is a test to determine the best corrective lenses to be prescribed for a patient to obtain the clearest distance and near vision. *We are unable to finalize a corrective lens prescription without a refraction.* Once your corrective lens prescription is finalized, we are required by federal law to provide you with a copy of your prescription.¹

Medicare does not cover routine eye examinations, and Medicare guidelines stipulate that the refraction portion of today's exam is a non-covered service.² As such, Medicare will not reimburse you or us for this service. The fee for this service is \$30.00 for a standard refraction. This is not an extra charge for Medicare patients, nor is it a charge for a corrective lens prescription. It is the cost of the portion of the exam that is not covered by Medicare.

If your deductible has been met, Medicare will pay 80% of the allowed amount on the medical portion of an exam when the purpose of the exam is due to a medical eye problem. You are responsible for the 20% that Medicare allows but does not pay *and* for the eye refraction portion of the exam. If you have a Medicare supplemental insurance we will gladly file that for you.

I have read and understand the above information: _____

INFORMATION REGARDING DILATING EYE DROPS

Dilating drops are used to dilate or enlarge the pupils of the eye to allow the eye doctor to get a better view of the inside of your eye. Dilating drops frequently blur vision for a length of time which varies from person to person and may make bright lights bothersome. It is not possible for your eye doctor to predict how much your vision will be affected. Because driving may be difficult immediately after an examination, it's best if you make arrangements not to drive yourself.

Adverse reaction, such as acute angle-closure glaucoma, may be triggered from the dilating drops. This is extremely rare and treatable with immediate medical attention. If you have any known allergies to dilating drops or if you are pregnant, please advise us. The eye drops are necessary to diagnose my condition.

I hereby authorize Mountain Eye Associates to administer dilating eye drops: _____

¹ <https://www.ftc.gov/enforcement/rules/rulemaking-regulatory-reform-proceedings/eyeglass-rule>

² <https://www.medicare.gov/coverage/eye-exams-routine>