

Gaddy Eye Clinic

Contact Lens Policy

Effective immediately 09/01/2008:

As your ophthalmologist, Gaddy Eye Clinic is primarily concerned with our patient's ocular (eye) health. We are more than pleased to be able to provide full eye care, which includes the fitting and prescribing of contact lenses. It is important for our patients to realize that contact lenses can affect the health of the eyes, and if not properly fitted and maintained, can possibly cause serious eye problems.

When a patient presents for a contact lens exam, before the contact is fitted, a complete eye exam will be performed. This is a separate charge and can be filed to insurance. However if your insurance will not cover a normal eye exam, the patient will be charged for the exam.

If a decision is made to fit contact lenses, a fitting fee of \$75.00 will be charged. The amount of the total charge will be determined by the type of contacts used. Most spherical lenses (non-astigmatism) can be fitted with only one follow up visit. Bifocal and toric (astigmatic) contacts can take several visits to complete the fit.

One important factor is that the contact lens companies that fit toric contacts, both extended and daily, do not provide sample lenses to try unless they are purchased. Therefore we cannot fit these contacts without the patient purchasing the lenses. The same hold true for gas permeable lenses. We hope that patients can understand that we cannot purchase a lens for fitting purposes and then not have the patient buy that lens; however, a patient will never have to buy a lens they are unsatisfied with or the lens does not fit properly as long as it is returned within 90 days of the purchase date per manufacture return policy.

General fitting fees are as follows:

Initial fitting including one follow-up visit - \$75.00
Second or third Follow-up - \$25.00 each
Three or more follow up visits if needed – No Charge.

What about yearly follow up fees?

If a patient has already been fitted and is back for a yearly visit for a refill contact lens prescription, there will be the usual medical charge for eye health as described above, and a fee of \$50.00 will be charged to evaluate the current contact prescription fit.

Thank you,

Gene Gaddy, MD

By signing below you understand our office policy and agree to such terms.

Patient or Guardian

Date