

Contact Lens Evaluation Fee covers 60 days of service.

Effective June 1, 2014

Dr. Kelli M. Regier-Hermon, OD is a contact lens specialist, committed to fulfilling your contact lens needs. She makes every effort to fit you in contact lenses that will allow for the best vision and comfort while allowing the most oxygen to get to your eyes. She prescribes contact lenses that she feels will be most compatible with your unique eyes and lifestyle.

At Kearney EyeCare, we pride ourselves in working with the newest technology contact lenses. We encourage all of our patients to try new lenses because the contact lens materials are often improving every year. That means better comfort, vision, and convenience for you. You can count on us to recommend only the best contact lenses and to allow you to "try out" the lenses before you buy boxes of contact lenses.

It is our intent to get the majority of patients successfully fit with contact lenses with one additional office visit. However, if you have astigmatism, wear bifocal contact lenses, or have dry eye syndrome, it may take additional office visits and contact lens trials to determine the best fitting lens.

Kearney EyeCare offers all contact lens patients a 60 day trial period, *or the evaluation period allowed by your vision insurance plan*, to determine the contact lens that is most appropriate for your eyes. This trial period gives our patients the opportunity to "try out" the contact lenses that we feel are most suitable for their eyes and lifestyle. We are confident that you will enjoy your new contact lenses, but if you are having difficulties adjusting to your new contact lenses, you are encouraged to return to the office after having worn the trial contact lenses for several hours. This allows us to re-evaluate the fit and vision after hours of wearing time.

If AFTER 60 days of the original contact lens fitting you return to the office for a contact lens check, you will be charged an additional fitting fee and possibly a refraction fee to re check the prescription. The cost will be based on the difficulty of the fit.

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Contact Lens Policies Effective June 1, 2014

1. A contact lens prescription is valid for one year. Contact lenses are a medical device and are monitored by the FDA as such. Contact lenses have the potential to cause sight threatening complications if not worn according to FDA recommendations.
2. A contact lens fitting fee pays for the evaluation of your ocular (eye) health as it relates to contact lenses. This includes:
 - a. Additional measurements of the eye.
 - b. Evaluating the health of the cornea.
 - c. Evaluating life style and habits.
 - d. Determining contact lens cleaning regiment and a sample kit
 - e. Diagnostic trial lenses to determine the proper fitting lens.
 - f. Evaluation of the contact lens ON THE EYE.
 - g. All office visits and trial contact lenses necessary to determine the contact lens prescription that is most appropriate for your unique eyes for 60 days, *or the evaluation period allowed by your vision insurance plan.*
3. If additional evaluation of the contact lenses is needed for any reason outside of the 60 day evaluation period, an additional appointment will be needed, and there will be an additional fee associated with this evaluation. Reasons for such appointments include, but are not limited to: unable to determine a comfortable material or prescription within 60 days, failure to return for contact lens evaluation on the eye within 60 days, a change in comfort of the contact lenses, a desire to switch to a different replacement schedule, etc. Therefore, it is very important to keep the scheduled contact lens follow-ups within the 60 days and to inform Dr. Regier of any comfort or vision problems you are having with the contact lens trials so that a prescription will not be finalized for a contact lens that is not working well for you.
4. If a contact lens fitting is not done at the time of the initial exam (ie contact lenses evaluated on the eye) then no contact lens prescription has been finalized. However, you may return to the office within 180 days of the original exam date and simply pay for the contact lens fitting. If there has been a large change in the prescription, there may be a refraction fee in addition to the contact lens fitting fee.
5. Contact lens prescriptions will not be released until the contact lens fitting fee has been paid.
6. Due to the change in the way that contact lens companies distribute contact lens trials; we can no longer dispense free contact lens trials for reasons other than diagnostic purposes to determine a prescription.