Barrow Eye Center

Contact Lens Fitting Policies

New and Established patients are charged a contact lens fitting fee.
Why a fitting fee?

- Contact tenses take extra time and special testing beyond the normal medical/vision exam.
- A spectacle prescription and a contact lens prescription are often different.
- A proper base curve and diameter for the contact lens is determined after various tests.
- Instruction on insertion and removal is given.
- Proper care of contact lenses is given along with a sample of contact lens solution.
- Dr. Barrow and Dr. Higdon check the fit of the lenses along with vision.
- Diagnostic lenses are dispensed when possible; some will have to be ordered for more complex prescriptions.
- Patient returns in one week for follow-up; at this visit, vision and fit are re-evaluated.
- Further follow-ups may be necessary. The initial contact lens fitting fee includes 1 follow-up visit for sphere vision patients; and 2 follow-Up visits for toric and multi-focal patients. Follow-up visits beyond the allotted amount will be charged a $25 refitting fee.
- _A contact lens prescription is valid for 1 year. Contact lenses are medical devices regulated by the FDA and require a valid prescription for dispensing. This also applies to cosmetic color contact lenses without correction.

Payment
- The fitting and follow-up fee is to be paid on the day of the fitting. Lenses are to be paid for when an order is placed.

Lens Changes

- Any lens changes within a three-month time period from the beginning of the fitting are covered by the fee. Any lens changes made after the three-month follow-up visit will incur a refitting fee.

Refunds

- With all of the new advanced materials being used to make contact lenses and our extensive experience fitting lenses, we have very few patients who are unable to wear contact lenses. If, however, either you or your doctor decides to stop the fitting of the contact lenses, unfortunately, we cannot refund the fitting fee.

Patient Signature:_____   Date:_____