

IOM Sight Test Frequency - Minimum Intervals

Age	Clinical Condition	Interval
Under 16	All patients	1 year
16 – 59	All patients	2 years
60 – 69	All patients	2 years
70 & over	All patients	1 year
Any age	Diabetic	1 year
Any age	Glaucoma	2 years
40 & over	Glaucoma family history (not in monitoring scheme)	1 year
Any age 40 & over	Ocular hypertension (not in monitoring scheme)	1 year
Under 7	BV anomaly / corrected refractive error	6 months
7 – under 16	BV anomaly or rapidly progressing myopia	6 months

Early Re-test Reason Codes

1.	Patient is at risk of frequent changes of prescription for reasons not requiring medical referral or for reasons already known to a medical practitioner.
2.	Patient has pathology likely to worsen, for example age-related macular degeneration, cataract, corneal dystrophy or congenital anomalies.
3.	Patient has presented with symptoms or concerns requiring ophthalmic investigation: 3.1 resulting in referral to a medical practitioner; or 3.2 resulting in issue of a changed prescription; or 3.3 resulting in either no change or no referral (the patient's record should indicate any symptoms shown to support this category of claim if necessary).
4.	4.1 Patient needing complex lenses; or 4.2 with corrected vision of less than 6/60 in one eye.
5.	Patient has: 5.1 presented for a sight test at the request of a medical practitioner; or 5.2 is being managed by an optometrist under the GOC referral rules, for example suspect visual fields on one occasion which is not confirmed on repeat, or abnormal IOP with no other significant signs of glaucoma; or 5.3 identified in protocols as needing to be seen more frequently because of risk factors.
6.	Other unusual circumstances requiring clinical investigation.

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