

Contact Lens Prescription Renewal Guidelines

17-90-108. Requirement to provide eyeglass prescription.

(a)(1) At the completion of an ophthalmic examination by any licensed optometrist or by any physician who practices as an ophthalmologist in this state if, as a result of the examination, the practitioner recommends that the patient needs eyeglasses of common availability within the state, then the optometrist or physician practicing as an ophthalmologist shall, upon request of the patient, provide to the patient a complete and accurate written prescription at no additional charge.

(2)(A) Contact lens prescriptions, written and signed, shall be released without additional charge upon request of the patient after the completion of the fitting and upon payment being made for the examination and fitting.

(B) Contact lens prescriptions released and filled shall be dispensed, sold, and supplied after positive verification only in accordance with the laws of the State of Arkansas and the rules and regulations promulgated and administered by the State Board of Optometry.

(3) A written contact lens prescription shall expire one (1) year after the date of the completion of the contact lens fitting, unless there is a medical reason that warrants a prescription for less than one (1) year.

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